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## Taylor Clemens Is 2013 Miss Watermelon Queen Jenny Jackson Is 2013 Teen Miss Watermelon Queen



Jefferson County's reigning new Royalty: The 2013 Miss Watermelon Queen, Taylor Clemens and the 2013 Teen Miss Watermelon Queen, Jenny Jackson. For the full story and pictures please see pages 6-7.

## Make Sure To See June 5 Episode Of Haunted Collector!

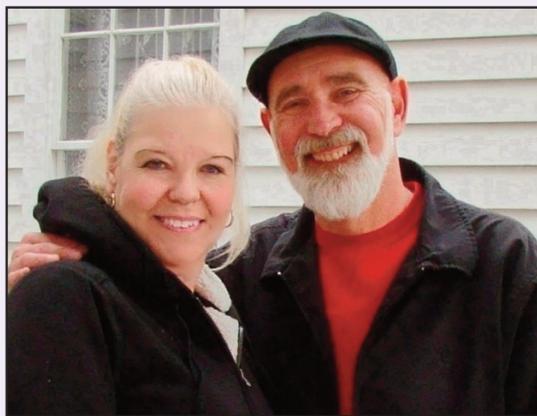


Photo Submitted  
John Zaffis, eminent paranormal researcher and world-renowned demonologist is pictured with Betty Davis of the Big Bend Ghost Trackers.

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Staff Writer  
On the morning of

February 25 the cast and production crew of the popular television series, starring

renown paranormal researcher John Zaffis, arrived at the Palmer House Antiques, which is believed to be the most haunted house in town according to Betty Davis of Big Bend Ghost Tracker's who invited Zaffis and his team to come to Monticello and check it out.

The cast and crew were welcomed to the Palmer House Antiques by Betty and Melanie Davis from the Big Bend Ghost Trackers, Jackie Andris, owner and her daughter Joann Overly.

The show will air on the SyFy Wednesday night June 5 at 8 p.m., and will be the season finale.

## Crime Rate Down In State, Up Slightly In Jefferson And Madison

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According to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement Statewide County Uniform Crime Report for January-June 2012, the crime rate in the state has decreased; however, in Jefferson and Madison counties, the rate has slightly increased.

In surrounding counties, the crime rate has fluctuated, getting either better or worse.

For the state, the total crime index in 2011 was 373,340, and in 2012, it was 359,051, indicating a decrease of 3.8 percent. The state went from 472 murders in 2011 to 479 in 2012, showing an increase. Forcible rapes went from 2,682 in 2011 to 2,684 in 2012, also illustrating an increase. Robbery went down from 12,228 in 2011 to 11,247 in 2012. Aggravated assault went down from 34,107 in 2011, to 32,471 in 2012. Burglary went down from 80,170 in 2011, to 75,502 in 2012. Larceny went down from 224,779 in 2011 to 218,016 in 2012. Motor vehicle theft went down from 18,902 in 2011, to 18,652 in 2012. The percentage of crimes cleared with convictions went from 24.5 percent in 2011 to 24.7 percent in 2012.

In Jefferson County, the total crime index went from 145 in 2011, to 148 in 2012, showing a slight increase of 2.1 percent.



Murder remained the same at zero, and forcible rape went from one in 2011 to three in 2012. Robbery went from one in 2011 to two in 2012. Aggravated assault went from 37 in 2011 to 40 in 2012. Burglary went from 59 in 2011 to 60 in 2012. Larceny went down from 39 in 2011 to 38 in 2012. Motor vehicle thefts went down from eight in 2011 to five in 2012. The percentage of cases cleared went from 51.4 percent in 2011 to 62.1 percent in 2012.

Madison County had a total crime index of 291 in 2011 and climbed to 319 in 2012, illustrating a 9.6 percent increase. Murder went from zero in 2011 to one in 2012. Forcible rape went from two in 2011 to six in 2012. Robbery increased from four in 2011

to eight in 2012. Aggravated assault went from 58 in 2011 to 69 in 2012. Burglary illustrated a large decrease, going down from 82 in 2011 to 67 in 2012. Larceny went up from 137 in 2011 to 162 in 2012. Motor vehicle theft went down from eight in 2011 to six in 2012. The percentage of cases cleared went up from 38.1 in 2011 to 39.8 percent in 2012.

In Dixie County, the total crime index went from 249 in 2011 to 245 in 2012, showing a decrease of 1.6 percent. Murder remained the same at zero, and forcible rape went from five in 2011 to two in 2012. Robbery dropped from four in 2011 to three in 2012. Aggravated assault went from 34 in 2011 to 31 in 2012. Burglary

climbed from 77 in 2011 to 101 in 2012. Larceny went from 116 in 2011 to 94 in 2012. Motor vehicle theft went from 13 in 2011 to 14 in 2012. The case percentage cleared went from 25.3 percent in 2011 to 20.0 percent in 2012.

In Hamilton County, the total crime index went up from 181 in 2011 to 209 in 2012, illustrating an increase of 15.5 percent. Murder remained at zero. Robbery remained at three. Aggravated assault dropped from 28 in 2011 to 14 in 2012. Burglary jumped from 47 in 2011 to 80 in 2012. Larceny went from 90 in 2011 to 104 in 2012. Motor vehicle theft dropped from 123 in 2011

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**CRIME RATE Page 3**

## Hurricane Season Officially Started



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With the Atlantic hurricane season officially underway as of Saturday, June 1, the Florida Division of Emergency Management (FDEM) is urging Floridians to know their zones and prepare family disaster plans and disaster supply kits for the eventuality of a storm hitting their area.

Hurricane preparedness means knowing the evacuation zones and how storm surges and flood zones may impact particularly vulnerable coastal and low-lying areas, according to the FDEM.

"When you plan for and mitigate these hazards, you can lessen the impact a storm may have on you and your family," offers FDEM Director Bryan W. Koon.

Emergency management agencies designate the evacuation zones and give guidance as to when certain of these areas should or must be evacuated prior to a hurricane's landfall.

Storm surge and flooding are two of the most dangerous impacts that tropical systems spawn. The FDEM describes storm surge as extreme coastal flooding that can penetrate several miles inland.

It's also important that Floridians prepare disaster plans and disaster supply kits, according to the FDEM.

"A family disaster plan and a well-stocked disaster supply kit are essential tools to ensure your family's safety and security during a hurricane," Koon says.

That's because, in the event of a major disaster, emergency workers may not be able to reach everyone right away, and in some cases, it may take several days or longer for help to arrive.

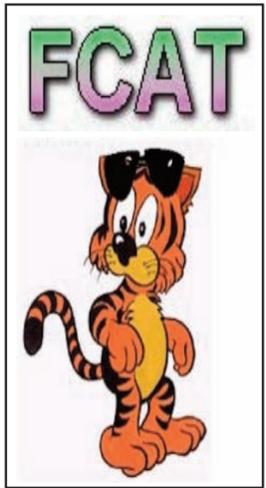
Disaster supply kits are simple and effective ways of making sure that families have sufficient water, food, medicine and other essential supplies until normal services are restored. Please See **HURRICANE Page 3**

## Eight Graders Here Do Well On FCAT Writing

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It turns out that third graders at the elementary school weren't the only local students to show significant improvement on the latest Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test (FCAT), eight graders at Jefferson County Middle/High School (JCM/HS) also ranked among the most improved in state.

JCM/HS Principal Loretta Holmes pointed out that eight students



## Man Racks Up Felony Charges

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A man was arrested last week on an outstanding county warrant for his arrest, which contained several felony charges he had racked up during an incident in December.

According to the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office, On December 6, 2012, at 5:13 p.m., Investigators Jerry Blackmon and Logan Wilcox were patrolling east I-10 near the 222-mile marker.

Investigator Wilcox observed a green Ford SUV with dark tinted windows, traveling west at a high rate of speed.

He activated his radar and clocked the vehicle's

speed at about 86 miles per hour.

Investigator Wilcox got behind the vehicle and paced the vehicle at 86 miles per hour, for two miles.

He activated his lights and siren and attempted to stop the vehicle.

The vehicle slowed down to about 60 miles per hour; but kept traveling west on I-10. The vehicle picked up speed at the 218-mile marker, to about 70 miles per hour, but later reached speeds up to 100 miles per hour.

Shortly after crossing the Leon County line (217-mile marker), the vehicle suddenly slowed down causing Investigator Wilcox to take evasive action, by driving in the left passing lane, to

avoid crashing into the suspect's vehicle.

The vehicle suddenly swerved toward Investigator Wilcox's patrol vehicle, as if he were trying to hit it.

The deputy avoided that maneuver, and the suspect vehicle continued west on I-10.

The vehicle crossed both westbound lanes and went into the median. The vehicle continued to travel west, with part of the vehicle in the eastbound passing lane for a short distance, which caused several vehicles to drive off the roadway to avoid hitting the suspect's vehicle.

The suspect vehicle made a U-turn and headed east in the eastbound lane.

The vehicle then went off the right side of the roadway and crashed.

Investigators Blackmon and Wilcox approached the vehicle, and Investigator Wilcox observed the driver, who was later identified as James Harold Louis, 43, of Jacksonville, FL, kick out the passenger side window and then exit the vehicle through the window.

Louis then ran from the scene, despite both deputies ordering him to stop.

Investigator Wilcox pursued Louis on foot and Investigator Blackmon stayed with the female passenger, who was exiting the vehicle.

Investigator Wilcox arrested Louis. Please See **FELONY Page 3**

# Letters To The Editor

Letters to the Editor are typed word for word, comma for comma, as sent to this newspaper. All submitted Letters must be 600 words or less.

## The Transparent Presidency

Dear Editor,  
So this is what a transparent Presidency looks like! I have been waiting for one to arrive, and the definition of one is on display, for all of us to observe.

Here's an example, Obama vowed to find out the truth in all of these scandals and indeed was appalled at these activities. As a measure to insure we do get to the bottom (or top) of these threats to Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness, Obama will have them investigate themselves.

Yeah that's the way it works, if God forbid you are arrested for a crime you are given the courtesy to investigate yourself.

Oh, there is one other example of transparency with Obama, the first thing Obamaites learn are six easy words "I DON'T KNOW" and "IT'S BUSH'S FAULT".

Now the examples of transparency were also on display in Benghazi, I.R.S, and Fox/A.P activities. In Benghazi it is transparent to our fighting men and

women that this Administration will stand down when they are in a life and death situation. I am sure this is reassuring to our troops, and their families. Oh, and I am certain this sends a strong message to our sworn enemies, that you better not mess with U.S citizens and our Military.

The I.R.S situation is also a shining example of transparency. Nobody is responsible for these actions, and by the way, nobody knows a thing about them either, and believe it or not we have also heard "it's Bush's fault". There's also clear evidence that multiple Government agencies (I.R.S, F.B.I, H.S etc) have been dispatched to the homes of many of the people targeted by the I.R.S. I may sound crazy but the only types of Governments where these activities occur are followed by an "ISM" as in socialism, Fascism, Communism, etc. etc.

And for everyone who echoes those words "IT CANT HAPPEN HERE." Here's a news flash, it already is. Now the I.R.S

and A.P scandals are clear attacks on the First Amendment, but also acts of intimidation and bullying of American citizens.

We know all these things are real, so it begs the question "what can we do?" Well the Republicans and some of the media are trying to find the truth. But what it actually comes down to is the American people must reject these assaults on our freedoms. Let's be honest, I am certain a percentage of democrats are giddy over conservative groups being harassed by the I.R.S, in honesty I would be tempted to feel this way also. But in the end this is a serious threat to all Americans, let's not forget, if nothing changes, these same people will be handling Obamacare as well.

I encourage all fair minded Americans to stop this tyranny now, before it touches every form of Government in our country.

Thank you-  
Lawrence Beger,  
Monticello FL.

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## New Watermelon Queens Crowned This Past Weekend

This past Saturday was the 2013 Miss, Teen Miss, and "Baby to Tween" Watermelon Pageants, and as I had stated in last week's column, I had the pleasure/honor of serving as the director of that pageant, along with the wonderful help of my two daughters, Chelstie and Brooke. I couldn't have pulled the weekend off without them.

I have had a wonderful time the last few weeks with the six girls that were vying for the crowns of Miss and Teen Miss Watermelon Queen. Pageant practice and dance practice has taken up the last several weeks, but it was all well worth it.

Saturday morning during the third annual "Baby to Tween" pageant, we crowned five new queens and a new king. It is always so much fun to watch all the little girls with their pretty new dresses and new pretty "hair-do's" and listen at all the excitement in their voices.

Saturday evening's production went wonderful (even with the few minor hiccups we had) and I would like to say that I had as much fun as the girls did.

I would like to send out congratulations to all our new queens/king; Baby Miss Queen, Brooke Barrett; Tiny Miss Queen, Maggie Walker; Mr. Watermelon King, David Peck III; Little Miss Queen, Jordian Boucher; Junior Miss Queen, Jadyne Kinsey; Tween Miss Queen, Hannah Holton; Teen Miss Watermelon Queen, Jenny Jackson; and the Miss Watermelon Queen, Taylor Clemens.

A special thank you goes out to the area businesses that donated to the Watermelon Pageant:

- Gelling's Floral Design - All Queen's Flower Bouquets
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- Stewart's BP Station - Watermelon for Teen Miss and Miss Winners
- Rosemary Tree Cafe - \$15 gift certificate for Teen Miss Winner
- Monticello Pizza Kitchen - \$15 gift certificate for Teen Miss and Miss Winners
- Tommy Surles/State Farm Insurance - \$10 for Teen Miss and Miss Winners
- Sorensen's Tire - Free Oil Change for the Miss Winner
- Dogwood House Salon/Jessi Howe - Shampoo, haircut, blow-dry and style for Teen Miss and Miss Winners



Me and "my" new 2013 queens: Taylor Clemens, the 2013 Miss Watermelon Queen and Jenny Jackson, the 2013 Teen Miss Watermelon Queen.

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Also, a thank you goes out to local businesses, and private citizens, that donated in other ways: Daryl Adams - emcee for the evening; Capital City Bank

employees - score tabulators for both pageants; Rancho Grande - provided supper for the judges; Brickhouse Restaurant - provided lunch for the Judges; Cassi Anderson and Marianne Arbulu for taking up tickets; John Nelson for handling our sound and music equipment, and a special thank you to Nan Baughman for helping me and just being there for me during the last few months of planning.

But, my biggest thank you goes to my daughters, Chelstie and Brooke. I could not have done so much in such little time, without their help. They taught the opening number dance, kept me straight, kept a list of things I needed to do and buy, made the contestant numbers, ran all my errands, decorated the stage, and did my newspaper work while I was doing pageant work. At one point I even questioned who the mother was, me or them; for they truly kept my head on my shoulders and helped me get everything done.

I hope everyone remembers that the Watermelon Festival and parade is Saturday, June 15. Make plans to attend the parade and walk around downtown Monticello to enjoy all the vendors and entertainment that is lined up. See pages 8-9 for more Watermelon Festival information.

Until then...see you around the town (or at the Watermelon Festival Parade.)

## Enjoying The Moment!

Two-year-old Malia Huggins enjoys a ride on the Lions Club lion Friday afternoon during the Relay For Life event.



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## Book Sale Well Attended

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The Jefferson County RJ Bailor Public Library held a 'Book Sale' on Saturday morning in an effort to change out the old and bring in the new. Being a small facility, room is limited, so rotating out the older and reference books is a great way to share with the community, and raise a few well-needed dollars for the library and its programs.

Friends of the Library volunteers were plentiful on this day, helping to keep the book in some-what order. They kept the tables filled and organized making for a better shopping experience for the buyers.

The library made a tidy sum, and all involved were happy that most of the books put out found new homes, and shelves.

For more information about this event or about upcoming programs and

services, contact Library Director Kitty Brooks at 850-342-0205.



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Shoppers at the Jefferson County RJ Bailor Public Library 'Book Sale' found lots of bargain books for a generous donation on Saturday morning. Pictured from left to right are: Rebecca Goldfarb, Quinn Diehl, and Joyce Siplin.



ECB Publishing Photos By Debbie Snapp, May 18, 2013.

Friends of the Library volunteer Susan Whitson helps 'Book Sale' shopper Bill Schaubel find a particular book on Saturday morning, during a fundraising effort.

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# AROUND JEFFERSON COUNTY

## Crime Rate

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to eight in 2012. The percentage of cases cleared dropped from 24.3 percent in 2011 to 19.6 percent in 2012.

Lafayette County had a total crime index of 41 in 2011 and it increased to 53, illustrating a 29.3 percent increase. Murder remained at zero. Forcible rape remained at zero. Robbery went from zero in 2011 to one in 2012. Aggravated assault jumped from four in 2011 to 12 in 2012. Burglary climbed from 11 in 2011 to 15 in 2012. Larceny went from 24 in 2011 to 23 in 2012. Motor vehicle theft remained at two. The percentage of cases cleared went from 48.8 percent in 2011 to 60.4 percent in 2012.

In Leon County, the total crime index dropped from 6,840 in 2011 to 6,363 in 2012, illustrating a decrease of 7.0 percent. Murder went from 10 in 2011 to seven in 2012. Forcible rape jumped from 50 in 2011 to 72 in 2012. Robbery dropped from 311 in 2011 to 270 in 2012. Aggravated assault dropped from 693 in 2011 to 572 in 2012. Burglary dropped from 1,991 in 2011 to 1,752 in 2012. Larceny dropped from 3,576 in 2011, to 3,393 in 2012. Motor vehicle theft increased from 209 in 2011 to 297 in 2012.

In Suwannee County, the total crime index went from 483 in 2011 to 464 in 2012, illustrating a 3.9 percent decrease. Murder remained the same at one and forcible rape went from zero in 2011 to one in 2012. Robbery remained the same at 10 and aggravated assault dropped from 82 in 2011 to 55 in

2012. Burglary increased from 143 in 2011 to 180 in 2012. Larceny dropped from 228 in 2011 to 207 in 2012. Motor vehicle theft dropped from 19 in 2011 to 10 in 2012. The percentage of cases cleared went from 25.9 percent in 2011 to 28.9 percent in 2012.

In Taylor County, the total crime index went from 278 in 2011 to 228 in 2012, illustrating a 18.0 percent decrease. Murder dropped from one in 2011 to zero in 2012. Forcible rape dropped from nine in 2011, to five in 2012. Robbery dropped from four in 2011 to one in 2012. Aggravated assault dropped from 79 in 2011 to 60 in 2012. Burglary dropped from 96 in 2011 to 64 in 2012. Larceny climbed from 81 in 2011 to 90 in 2012. Motor vehicle theft remained the same at eight. The percentage of cases cleared went from 47.1 percent in 2011 to 54.4 percent in 2012.

In Wakulla County, the total crime index went from 432 in 2011 to 433 in 2012, illustrating a .2 percent increase. Murder dropped from two in 2011 to zero in 2012. Forcible rape went from four in 2011 to five in 2012. Robbery dropped from three in 2011 to one in 2012. Aggravated assault dropped from 41 in 2011 to 39 in 2012. Burglary dropped from 93 in 2011 to 87 in 2012. Larceny climbed from 282 in 2011 to 292 in 2012. Motor vehicle theft climbed from seven in 2011 to nine in 2012. The percentage of cases cleared dropped from 43.1 in 2011 to 32.6 in 2012.

## Hurricane

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restored. Aside from items specific to a family's unique needs, the FDEM advises that each disaster kit should include a gallon of water per person per day for three to seven days minimum; food for three to seven days minimum; blankets, pillows and such; clothing for every person; a first-aid kit and

medicines; special items for children and the elderly; toiletries; flashlight and batteries; a battery-operated radio and NOAA weather radio; keys; toys; books and games; important documents; and tools.

Vehicles fuel tanks should also be fully filled. For more information, visit [www.FloridaDisaster.org](http://www.FloridaDisaster.org).

## FCAT

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out the omission in last week's *Jefferson Journal* story about the recently released FCAT scores, which omission resulted from an error on the Florida Department of Education (FDOE) website. That error involved the FDOE reporting that JCM/HS was among the top five districts in the state improving in Grade 8 reading.

Eight-grade students did not take the FCAT 2.0 Reading assessment. What the FDOE meant to say was that Jefferson County was among the top five districts in the state showing the most improvement in the FCAT 2.0 Writing assessment.

JCM/HS, according to the FDOE, had a 17-percent point increase in writing scores, followed by Gulf and Liberty counties, with 14-percent point increases respectively; Jackson County, with a 13-percent point increase; and Lafayette County, with a 12-percent point increase.

In Grade 10 Writing, the five most improved districts were Hamilton County, with a 22-percent point increase; the Florida Virtual School, with a 11-percent point increase; Desoto and Glades counties, with 10-percent point increases respectively; and Citrus County, with a 9-percent point increase.

Overall, according to the FDOE, FCAT 2.0 Writing scores improved across the board for students in grades fourth, eighth and tenth. Statewide, according to the FDOE, 58 percent of students who took the test scored 3.5 or higher, up from 54 percent in 2012.

Grade 4 students reportedly saw the biggest gain with a nine-point improvement in the percentage of students scoring at 3.5 and above. Grades eight and tenth students increased achievement by two percentage points respectively.

A breakdown of the FCAT Writing scores for JCM/HS eighth graders shows 72 students took the test in 2013 and attained a mean score of 3.1, versus 54 students taking the test in 2012 and attaining a mean score of 2.8.

In 2013, 69 percent of JCHM/HS eighth graders scored 3.0 and above; 49 percent scored 3.5 and above; and 28 percent scored 4.0 and above. In 2012, by comparison, 59 percent of eighth grader scored 3.0 and above; 31 percent scored 3.5 and above; and 15 percent scored 4.0 and above.

As for the Grade 10 writing test, 47 JCM/HS tenth graders took the test in 2013 and attained a mean score of 3.2. The breakdown shows 81 percent of the students scored 3.0 and above; 47 percent scored 3.5 and above; and 21 percent scored 4.0 and above.

In 2012, by comparison, 56 tenth graders took the test and attained a mean score of 3.1. The breakdown shows 75 percent of the students scored 3.0 and above; 46 percent scored 3.5 and above; and 20 percent scored 4.0 and above.

The State Board of Education upped the writing test requirements in 2012, establishing 3.5 as the school grades standard for writing performance effective 2013; the standard previously was 3.0.

Overall, according to the FDOE, African-American and Hispanic students reduced the achievement gap with their white student counterparts. The percentage of African-American and Hispanic students scoring 3.5 and higher increased by six and four points respec-

tively. The percentage of English language learners and students with disabilities who scored 3.5 and higher also increased by four percentage points.

No passing score is assigned for the FCAT 2.0 Writing assessment. Rather, the percentage of students scoring 3.5 and above is used for the writing component in calculating the 2013 school grades.

Last year, the percentage of students scoring 3.0 and higher was used.

In 2013, students had 60 minutes to respond to the writing prompt, an increase of 15 minutes, based on recommendations from Florida educators. The time increase was to allow for students having to satisfy higher scoring requirements. The scoring now also pays more attention to the correct usage of grammar, punctuation, and other such English conventions, as well as to the quality of details supporting the written responses.

## Felony

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empted to deploy his taser, but only one of the taser prongs hit him in the right shoulder area.

Louis ran toward the deputy and tackled him to the ground. He hit the deputy in the head with his fist, and Investigator Wilcox began striking Louis to gain control.

Louis began pulling at the deputy's sidearm, but was unable to free it from its holster.

Florida Highway Patrol Trooper Cory Burk arrived on the scene and assisted Investigator Wilcox in securing Louis in handcuffs.

The deputy noted that while dealing with Louis, he noticed that Louis had a very strong odor of an alcoholic beverage, coming from his breath.

After Louis was in custody, Investigator Wilcox assisted Investigator Blackmon with the passenger. She was complaining of pain in her side, and Leon County EMS was contacted to check on the welfare of both Louis and the passenger.

Deputy Thomas Strickland later transported Louis

to the Leon County Jail.

Sgt. Ray Lacy, Investigator Kevin Sears, and Investigator Don Barfield searched the vehicle and located several open containers of alcohol.

Stewart's Towing was contacted to tow the vehicle.

A check on the suspect vehicle revealed that the tag did not belong to the vehicle. The tag had been stolen out of Jacksonville. It was also revealed that both Louis and his passenger both had their driver's licenses suspended.

The female was cleared by EMS personnel and Sgt. Lacy and Cpl. Ricky Dollar transported her to a hotel in Jefferson County, where she waited for a ride home.

Louis was arrested May 28 on an outstanding county warrant for his arrest, and charged with fleeing and attempting to elude law enforcement officers, aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, battery on a law enforcement officer, driving while license suspended or revoked, and attaching a tag not assigned. A total bond of \$13,000 was set and he remained at the County Jail June 4.

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# CHURCH

## CHURCH NEWS NOTES

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Morning Worship Service.....11:00 AM  
Choir Practice.....5:00 PM  
Evening Worship Service.....6:00 PM

#### WEDNESDAY

Bible Study/Prayer Meeting.....6:00 PM  
RA's/ GA's/Mission Friends/Youth

### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

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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-

#### June 3-7

First Baptist Church Monticello will host Vacation Bible School at 5:15 p.m. on Monday through Friday. 'Kingdom Rock, Where Kids Stand Strong For God' is an epic adventure for new friends, amazing experiments, wild games, lip-smacking snacks, surprising adventures, and incredible music. For more information, call 850-997-2349.

#### June 3, 17

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 needed, 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-monticello.org.

#### June 5

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#### June 7, 9

Union Branch Missionary Baptist Church will celebrate its Choir Anniversary with a Musical Service at 7 p.m. on Friday evening and again at 11 a.m. on Sunday. Speaker will be Rev. James Mack and the St. Rilla MBC will be in charge of the services. Everyone is invited to attend and worship with the church family and friends. For more information, contact Dea. C. Duhart at 850-510-2496. Rev. Terry Presley Sr., pastor.

#### June 8

Greater Fellowship Baptist Church will host a CD Release Day introducing T. Byrd, from 2 to 4 p.m. on Saturday, in the church-dining hall, located at 690 Cypress Street. Come show your support. Rev. Melvin Roberts, pastor.

#### June 10-14

First Baptist Church Lloyd Vacation Bible School for children ages PreK-3 through 6<sup>th</sup> grade. All knights and fair maidens,

princes and princesses, are invited to unite and Stand Strong in the Lord. Participants will explore Learn-a-Lot Chambers, Craft Courtyard, Cook's Kitchen, Sir Gavin's Games, and the Great Hall through hands-on learning, special craft creations, tantalizing eats, Old World games, and a daily drama presentation. So prepare to step back in time, embark on a journey, and partake of one royally fun time! All troupes gather nightly at 6:00 p.m. and parents and/or guardians are invited to return at 8:00 p.m. for Closing Assembly; children will be dismissed at 8:30 p.m. Costumes are encouraged, though no weapons of any kind are allowed on campus. Register now by calling the church office at 850-997-5309, and join at 124 St. Louis Street in Lloyd.

#### June 11

Sons of Allen of the Union Bethel Circuit meets monthly on the second Tuesday at 7 p.m., rotating between the Elizabeth and Union Bethel AME churches; encouraging young men and older males to come be part of the meetings. If you have any questions, contact President Leman Ulee at 850-274-6268.

#### June 14

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. Call 850-342-3541 for more information.

#### June 15

StoryTime Ministry is held from 1 to 2 p.m. every other Saturday at the Jefferson County Bailar Public Library. For more information contact First United Methodist Church Ministry Chairman Barbara Hobbs at 850-523-1813.

#### June 17-21

Elizabeth Baptist Church, on Bassett Dairy Road, will host Vacation Bible School Monday through Friday. 'Colossal Coaster World' will be held from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. Volunteers, including youth, are still needed, as well as donors for the evening suppers.

#### June 19-23

Union Bethel Circuit and Leman Ulee announce the annual church trip to Detroit, MI., and the fact that there are still a few more seats available on the bus. The trip is scheduled to begin on Wednesday and continue through Sunday. For more information contact him at 850-274-6268 or leman\_ulee@yahoo.com.



## "Keeping the Faith"

Ronnie McBrayer

### Multitasking Madness

duster all at the same time is terribly misguided. He or she might even be suffering from madness.

Neuroscientist and MIT professor Earl Miller says, "People can't multitask very well, and when people say they can, they're deluding themselves."

What we humans can do, according to Miller, is shift our focus from one thing to the next with astonishing speed.

So when we quickly switch from task to task, we think we are simultaneously paying careful and skillful attention to everything around us, but this is a trick of the brain. We are actually hopscotching rapidly between activities.

As a test, try to write an in-depth email and have a detailed conversation on the phone at the same time. Or try to study for an algebra test while playing an Xbox game. It's almost impossible to mix any of these together. The tasks will compete one against the other until the conflicting impulses produce a sort of numb paralysis within the struggling brain.

Some researchers have even suggested that if one attempted to work while stoned, he or she would be more efficient than when attempting to focus on too many things at once. And while I wouldn't suggest keeping a dime bag in your office cubicle, the science makes a compelling case for being a "monotasker" rather than a multitasker.

The stupefying effect of multitasking may have been first observed in felines, not humans. Many years ago it was observed that cats could not focus on more than one target at a time. But scientists did not make this breakthrough. Lion tamers did.

Thankfully, the lion taming business has fallen on hard times in recent years. After all, such magnificent creatures were never meant to be caged. But some of us still remember the sensational lion tamers of the great circuses. Men like Clyde Beatty and Gunter Gebel-Williams would strut into the steel cage with little more than a costume, a cracking whip in one hand, and a chair in the other.

Of course, these big cat masters knew that a dining chair wouldn't keep the lions from devouring them (nor would the whip). What they knew was that

the chair would confuse the lion. The four points of the chair's legs, bobbing about as they were, tangled the lion's mind just enough so that the animal could not act on his carnivorous intentions.

Lion tamers realized that the big cats could be kept in a catatonic state (no pun intended) by splitting their attention. By focusing on the multiple moving pieces, the lion could never focus solely on the tamer. This multitasking fragmentation kept the lion from being what it really was born to be. It kept the animal, caged.

What an apropos parallel for those of us living in a world gone mad with multifarious activity – so appropriate it barely deserves comment. With our jobs, families, careers, hobbies, sports programs, deadlines, doctor appointments, ringing and dingling reminders, news reports, buzzing cellphones, and screaming calendars it's a wonder any of us remain functional.

Our energy is so entirely defused and our attention so thoroughly diverted, that we are essentially incapacitated. With our heads turned down, gazing long and deep into our smart screens, we are at risk of being smashed out of our minds by all the static and interference.

We would do well to hear the words of Jesus for ourselves as he gently but categorically rebuked a dear friend by saying, "You are so worried and distracted by many things, when only a few things are needed."

We aren't super-sized computers built and equipped with central processing units. We are human beings, born to laugh and to love; born to take life slowly and deeply as it comes to us; and we are born to be uncaged, set free from the madness of multitasking.

Ronnie McBrayer is a syndicated columnist, speaker, and author of multiple books. You can read more and receive regular e-columns in your inbox at www.ronniemcbrayer.me.

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4th Sunday Individual Outreach Ministry & Fellowship  
3rd Sunday Holy Communion  
Wednesday Evenings  
Prayer Meeting.....6:30 P.M.  
Bible Study.....7:00 P.M.

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**Rev. Greg Roberts**

Sunday School.....9:45 AM  
Sunday Worship.....11:00 AM  
Children's Worship.....11:00 AM  
Wednesday  
Fellowship Meal.....7:00 PM  
Prayer Meeting.....7:45 PM

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**Moderator J.B. Duval, Pastor**

Worship Services 2nd and 4th Sundays  
Sunday Church School (every Sunday).....9:30 AM  
Sunday Worship (2nd & 4th Sundays).....11:00 AM  
Youth Worship (2nd Sunday).....11:00 AM  
Wednesday  
Prayer Meeting/Bible Study.....7:00 PM

### NEW HOPE 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  
Wed. Family Training Hour.....7:00 PM  
Ignite student Ministries.....7:00 PM

### OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

7369 Boston Hwy. Monticello  
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*"Here is my servant [Jesus].... In his name the nations will put their hope." Matthew 12:18-21, NIV*

May has been a great month for us in Guatemala. Corn seeds, recently planted in the indigenous' farmers steep fields, have sprouted and grow as our rainy season begins. Our local workers are busy with our week-in/week-out service and relief efforts. Our weekly worship gathering and music outreach continue in good fashion. We hosted our first "summer" team, from our new partner church Memorial UMC (Fernandina Beach, FL), and were mutually encouraged.

Most of our teams enjoy a Sunday evening meal at a local restaurant that features indigenous food, marimba music (the national instrument) and a bit of Mayan cultural education. Miguel Tzul, the indigenous owner, always thanks Porch de Salomon and our teams for sowing the "seed of hope" among his people through presence, gifts and service. He recounts how a person, many years ago, planted such a seed that gave them hope and eventually transformed his family's life.

We would do well to view each act of kindness, service, encouragement or generosity we give as a potential seed of hope in the life of the recipient and God's kingdom. These photos contain examples of those acts/"seeds" which we are honored to help sow; food, medical care, house-building and



Juan and Tomasa's can help support their family with a corn grinder donated by Porch teamers John and Bobbi.



Santa and her children (shown in front of their "house") will receive a new house through Team CTS Lutheran Youth.

more. We thank our ministry partners, donors and partner churches for resourcing our sowing and workin many ways. Que Dios los bendiga a todos!

Contact [lloyd@porchdesalomon.org](mailto:lloyd@porchdesalomon.org) or Rex 850.933.0344 to get involved or donate to help us continue sowing seeds of hope among the lost, least and last in Guatemala.

**Porch volunteer Sarah Nelson, R.N., donated Pana's first heart defibrillator!**



## Mid-Week Praise and Worship Service, June 5, 2013

Come, and join us in our Mid-Week Praise and Worship Service on Wednesday, June 5, 2013, at 7:00 PM. The preacher for this occasion will be Sister Tracy Ingram.

For further information, please call the Church at 850-997-4226, or 850-291-6938. Thank you very much for your support.

Saint Phillip AME Church, Rev. J. W. Tisdale, Pastor



### FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

325 W. Walnut Street • Monticello  
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Praise & Worship.....8:30 AM  
Sunday School.....9:30 AM  
Traditional Worship.....11:00 AM

#### WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES

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Fellowship Meal.....6:00  
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AWANA -ages 3 years-6th grade.....5:00 PM  
CSI: Youth-Grades 6-12.....5:30 PM  
Praise & Worship.....6:00 PM  
Choir.....7:00 PM

#### Wednesday

Church Family Supper 5:45 PM  
Children's Choir (3K-5th Grade) 6:00 PM  
The Potter's Wheel (6th-12th Grades).....6:30 PM  
Worship on Wednesday.....7:00 PM

#### Mondays

Mighty Monday-Exercise.....6:00 PM

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1st Wednesday  
Shades of ReAd Book Club.....5:45 PM  
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Lloyd Silver Saints-Senior Adult.....11:00 AM  
3rd Thursday  
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Brotherhood.....8:00 AM

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955 Lemon St., Monticello, Florida  
850-445-0076  
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Wednesday Bible Study.....6:30 PM

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Wednesday  
Prayer & Bible Study.....7:00 PM

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Wed. followed by Novena.....7:00 PM  
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Bible Study/Prayer Meeting- .....  
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### SHILOH AME CHURCH

224 Thomas Road  
Aucilla

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Morning Worship Service.....11:00 AM  
Wednesday Evening Prayer and Bible.....7:00 PM  
Fourth Sunday Youth Participation

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14492 Waukeenah Hwy/ P.O. Box 411  
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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

### 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  
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Choir Practice.....7:00 PM  
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# Taylor Clemens And Jenny Jackson Crowned 2013 Miss And Teen Miss Watermelon Queens

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The Jefferson County Miss Watermelon Queen, Teen Miss Watermelon Queen and Baby to Tween pageants were held this past Saturday, June 1, at the old Jefferson County High School.

The pageants were kicked off at 10 a.m. as the children, ages birth to 12 years old, took to the stage and competed in formal wear.

Brooke Barrett was crowned the Baby Miss Queen, for ages birth to 12 months of age. She was also awarded the Miss Photogenic award, Prettiest Smile and Prettiest Dress awards.

Maggie Walker was crowned for the 2-3 year old Tiny Miss division. She too was awarded the Miss Photogenic, Prettiest Smile and Prettiest Dress awards.

David Peck III was crowned as Mr. Watermelon King. That division was for boys ages 2-3 years old. David also won Mr. Photogenic, Best Smile and Best Dressed.

Jordian Boucher was named the 4-6 year old Little Miss Watermelon Queen. Her court was: Kylee Padgett, first runner-up; Amberlin Pipkin, second runner-up and Reese Linn as third runner-up. The special award winners were: Miss Photogenic, Reese Linn; Prettiest Smile, Jordian Boucher; and Prettiest Dress, Amberlin Pipkin.

Jadyn Kinsey was crowned the Junior Miss Queen for her age division of 7-9 year olds and also was awarded the Most Photogenic award. Her court included: first runner-up, Emilee Walker; second runner-up, Destiny Clore; third

runner-up and the Prettiest Dress award, Maria Rosas; and fourth runner-up and the Prettiest Smile award, Andraya Rosas.

Hannah Holton was crowned the 10-12 Tween Miss Watermelon along with the special awards of Prettiest Smile and Prettiest Dress.

Saturday evening, at 7 p.m., the Miss and Teen Miss Watermelon Pageants got underway. The crowd was entertained with an opening number by the contestants, and then enjoyed watching the competitions of sportswear, casual wear, and evening gown.

Taylor Clemens was chosen to reign as the 2013 Miss Watermelon Queen for the upcoming year. First runner-up was Savannah Tyler, second runner-up was Ashley Hebert, third runner-up

was Allaura Pierce, and fourth runner-up was Kali Nelson. Special awards were presented also. Those recipients were: Miss Photogenic, Taylor Clemens; Best Interview, Savannah Tyler; Prettiest Smile, Savannah Tyler; Prettiest Dress, Ashley Hebert, and Miss Congeniality, Allaura Pierce.

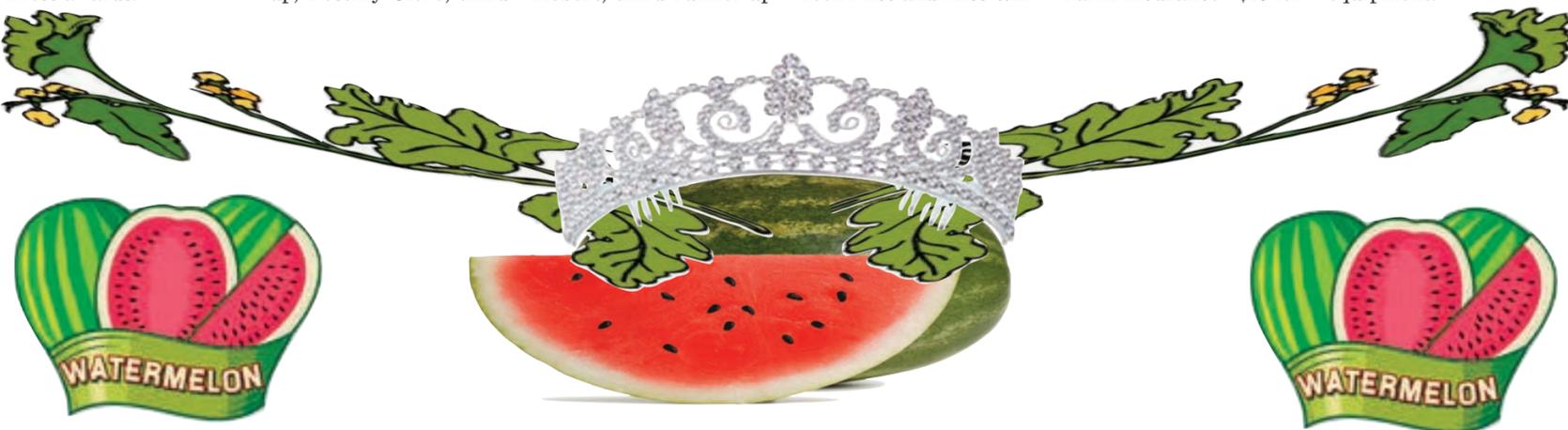
Jenny Jackson was named the 2013 Teen Miss Watermelon Queen. Jenny was also awarded the special awards of Miss Photogenic, Prettiest Dress and Prettiest Smile.

A special thank you goes out to the area businesses that donated to the Watermelon Pageant: Gelling's Floral Design - All Queen's Flower Bouquets; Beau Turner Youth Conservation Center - 2 Fishing Poles for Teen Miss and Miss Win-

ners; Farmers and Merchants Bank - Umbrella for Miss Winner; Capital City Bank - Insulated Tote for Teen Miss and Mug for Miss Winner; Swann Insurance Agency - \$25 for Miss Winner; Morris Law Firm - \$100 for Miss Winner; Monticello Health & Fitness Center - 5 Free Tanning Sessions for Miss Winner; Tupelo's Bakery and Cafe - \$15 Gift Certificate for Miss Winner; Monticello News/Jefferson Journal - One Year e-pub Subscription for Teen Miss and Miss Winners; Stewart's BP Station - Watermelon for Teen Miss and Miss Winners; Rosemary Tree Cafe - \$15 gift certificate for Teen Miss Winner; Monticello Pizza Kitchen - \$15 gift certificate for Teen Miss and Miss Winners; Tommy Surles/State Farm Insurance - \$10 for

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Also, a thank you goes out to local businesses, and private citizens, that donated in other ways: Daryl Adams - emcee for the evening; Capital City Bank employees - score tabulators for both pageants; Rancho Grande - provided supper for the judges; Brickhouse Restaurant - provided lunch for the Judges; Cassi Anderson and Marianne Arbulu for taking up tickers; and John Nelson for handling the sound and music equipment.



ECB Publishing, Inc. Photo by Emerald Greene, June 1, 2013  
The new 2013 Miss Watermelon Queen is pictured with her court. Pictured left to right: Kali Nelson, 4th runner-up; Ashley Hebert, 2nd runner-up and Prettiest Dress; Taylor Clemens, The 2013 Miss Watermelon Queen and Miss Photogenic; Savannah Tyler, 1st runner up, Prettiest Smile and Best Interview award; and Allaura Pierce, 3rd runner-up and Miss Congeniality.



ECB Publishing, Inc. Photo by Emerald Greene, June 1, 2013  
Jenny Jackson was named the new 2013 Teen Miss Watermelon Queen. Along with winning her title, she also received Miss Photogenic, Prettiest Smile and Prettiest Dress.



ECB Publishing, Inc. Photo by Emerald Greene, June 1, 2013  
The 2012 Miss Watermelon Queen Michaela Metcalfe is pictured as she passes the Watermelon Queen crown to the new 2013 Miss Watermelon Queen, Taylor Clemens.



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The 2012 Teen Miss Watermelon Queen Caroline Yaun is shown crowning the new 2013 Teen Miss Watermelon Queen, Jenny Jackson.

# 2013 Baby To Tween Watermelon Pageant Held Five New Queens and One New King Crowned



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**Brooke Barrett** was named the 2013 Baby Miss Queen at the Jefferson County Watermelon Pageant this past Saturday. Along with her queen title she also won Miss Photogenic, Prettiest Smile and Prettiest Dress.



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Jefferson County's 2013 Tiny Miss Queen is **Maggie Walker**. Along with Maggie's title she also won Miss Photogenic, Prettiest Smile and Prettiest Dress.



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**David Peck III** was named the 2013 Mr. Watermelon King. He was also awarded Mr. Photogenic, Best Smile and Best Dressed. Pictured with David is his supportive mother.



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The new 2013 Little Miss Queen and her court pictured left to right: Little Miss Queen and prettiest smile, **Jordian Boucher**; 1st runner-up, **Kylee Padgett**; 2nd runner-up and Prettiest Dress, **Amberlin Pipkin**; and 3rd runner-up and Miss Photogenic **Reese Linn**.



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**Hannah Holton** was named the 2013 Tween Miss Queen during the Jefferson County Watermelon Pageant that was held this past Saturday. Along with Hannah's title, she also won Prettiest Smile and Prettiest Dress.



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The seven to nine year old girls proved to be a very hard age division with nine girls competing for the title of the Junior Miss Queen. Pictured left to right are: The 2013 Junior Miss Queen and Miss Photogenic, **Jadyn Kinsey**; 1st runner-up, **Emilee Walker**; 2nd runner-up, **Destiny Clore**; 3rd runner-up and Prettiest Dress, **Maria Rosas**; 4th runner-up and Prettiest Smile, **Andraya Rosas**. Also serving in the 2013 Junior Miss court is **Abigayle-Rhea Jackowski**, **Morgan Linn**, **Rileigh Spinosa** and **Jaydyn Tyre**.

# Monticello's Annual Watermelon Festival

## Festival Parade Applications Due June 7

**FRAN HUNT**  
ECB Publishing  
Staff Writer

It's not too late to make an entry into the 63<sup>rd</sup> Annual Jefferson County Watermelon Festival Parade. Applications are due June 7.

The parade will commence at 10 a.m. Saturday June 15.

All decorated units shall be in assigned position by 9 a.m. for judging to begin at 9:15. This year's theme is "Hot, Hot, Hot!" so let your imaginations go and let it start cooking!

Of course a watermelon theme is always acceptable.

Judging categories are: Best Merchant; Best Civic or Group; Most Unusual; Spirit Award; Best Theme and Best In Show. Late arrivals may not be judged.

Winners will receive a certificate and will be announced as winners at the courthouse as they pass by. Entries will be approved by the committee based on quality and entertainment value and all decisions by the Parade Committee to accept or decline applications are final. Entry fees of declined applicants will

be returned. All applications are subject to final approval of the parade committee.

Units must be no higher than 20 feet from street level and no wider than 15 feet. Every motor vehicle driver must have valid drivers license and proof of current insurance as required by Florida Law.

All vehicle and trailer brake/headlight/tail lights must be in good working order. All towed units shall be connected with safety chains consistent with Florida State law. It is recommended that a fire extinguisher be available on each float.

No fast or dangerous driving, 'wheelies' or tire spinning is allowed. All units with multiple rows must keep a safe distance between each row. No tricks and/or stunts are allowed at the courthouse circle, as this area is too narrow and uneven to be safe.

Absolutely no firearms (real or fake) may be carried on floats, by walkers or mounted on parade units with exception of law enforcement officers, who may carry their

holstered, standard issue weapons.

Animal units must provide clean-up personnel to follow directly behind their unit. Clean-up personnel must be available at time of judging. Failure to provide clean-up personnel will result in disqualification of entire unit and forfeiture of the entry fee.

Use of alcoholic beverages/illegal substances will not be tolerated and all units must leave staging area free of trash; failure to do so, may result in \$25 clean up fee.

Candy, toys, beads or other items shall not be thrown from floats or vehicles. If offered all items must be handed out by unit walkers. Projectile launchers and other devices commonly used to launch, hurl or throw any object, liquid, material or other substance, including "super-soakers" or water cannons are banned.

Parade officials and law enforcement oversee the parade activities and will escort any individual or group who become reckless or violates the rules and regulations from the parade. The group or indi-

vidual removed will forfeit their entry fee, are ineligible to participate in the 2013 Watermelon Festival parade and only permitted under strict probation in future years.

The entry fee is \$10 for individuals, equestrian, non-profit (501-3(C) only), religious groups and sports teams.

The entry fee is \$20 for political, childcare, non-profit, civic organizations, etc., small business and county entries.

The entry fee is \$30 for all entries with three or more vehicles, other area festivals and corporations. Applications can be picked up at the Chamber or Commerce or downloaded at <http://www.watermelon-festivalfl.com/forms.htm>.

Make checks payable to Jefferson County Watermelon Festival and submit application and entry fee by June 7, 2013 either to the Chamber or mail or email to parade chair: Parade Chair, PO Box 932, Monticello, FL 32344 or email [ParadeChair@live.com](mailto:ParadeChair@live.com)

For further information contact the Chamber at 997-5552.

## Children's Theater To Perform "High Tide, A Musical Pirate Tale (ARGGGH)!"



**FRAN HUNT**  
ECB Publishing  
Staff Writer

Forty-two children and teens, most of who are local, will be performing in the Monticello Acting & Dance Company (MadCo) children's theater production of "High Tide, A Musical Pirate Tale (ARGGGH)!"

There are three public performances, June 14 at 7 p.m.; June 15 at 11:30 a.m.; and June 22 at 11:30 a.m. Doors open 30 minutes prior to the show.

Adult tickets are \$8; children 12 and older is \$5; and children 11 and under are \$3.

This year's show is written by two young ladies who have grown up as a part of the MadCo family, Rachael Britton and

Alex Brookins.

The story tells of a young girl named Roxanne, and she and her friends get involved in hijinks on a pirate ship and go after treasure. During the story, they find that family is the real treasure.

The story involves pirates, treasure, mermaids, sword fights, and promises to be an exciting time.

The music for the production was written and composed by George Britton.

Erin Grubbs was in charge of the fight choreography.

Costumes are by Cleo Kelly.

Set design is by Bob Copper.

The production is directed and choreographed by Melanie Mays.



## 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Wally Bentley Car Show June 16

**FRAN HUNT**  
ECB Publishing  
Staff Writer

The sixth annual Wally Bentley Watermelon Festival Car Show is slated for 10 a.m. until 12:30 p.m., Saturday, June 15 in the parking lot of Farmers and Merchants Bank.

Space is limited so register early.

The show is open to all vehicles including antiques, classics, modified, trucks, and motorcycles. Entries will be limited due to space. Some day-of-show entries may be allowed if space is available.

Vehicles must be in place by 11 a.m., when judging will begin. Trophies will be

awarded for 1931 and older; 1932-1954, 1955-1987, Late Model (1988 and newer), Custom, Street Rod, and two special Judges' Choice awards.

The award ceremony begins at noon and car show winners will be presented with trophies, as well as raffle drawings. The prizes were donated by local businesses.

There will be a cash raffle. Tickets are \$1 each. 100 percent of the cash will be awarded, and there will be multiple winners, so the more tickets sold, the bigger the pot. Spectators may also purchase the cash raffle tickets. Winners must be present to claim their prize.

The registration fee is \$15. Registrants may also drive in the Watermelon Festival parade prior to the show. Entrants will receive a free prize and a prize raffle ticket.

The car show is sponsored by Tallahassee Region Antique Automobile Club of America (TRAACA). The show honors the late Wally Bentley, a long-time Jefferson County resident and TRAAC member.

The Tallahassee Region AACA (TRAACA) is a region of the national club, the Antique Automobile Club of America (AACA). The AACA was established in 1935 and is dedicated to the history of the automobile as well as the preservation and/or restoration of vehicles 25 years old

or older. This includes cars, trucks, commercial vehicles, and motorcycles in original or restored condition.

The TRAACA was established in 1970. Activities include regular meetings, judged shows, displays, local tours, cruises and rallies and sponsorship and participation in regional and national antique auto related events.

Each year the club participates in many activities, including tours (local and overnights) and numerous car displays and shows.

For further information contact Norm Madsen at 322-6788 or for entry forms go to [www.traaca.org](http://www.traaca.org).



## Chamber Kick-Off Dinner June 7 BBGT Haunted Tours June 14 And 15

**FRAN HUNT**  
ECB Publishing  
Staff Writer

Kicking off the 63<sup>rd</sup> annual Watermelon Festival festivities will be the Chamber's annual Kick-Off Dinner at the Monticello Opera House, June 7 from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m., or later depending on the available food supply.

Tickets are \$10 per adult and \$6 per child and the menu will include a very special treat this year. Rather than a barbecue meal, the menu will include a special lasagna dinner, with salad, bread, ice tea, and watermelon slices for dessert.

Eat in or carry out is available.

During dinner, the winners of the pageants, the essay writing scholarship contest (sponsored by Capital City Bank), the winners of the baby photo contest, and the winners of the art contest for the Watermelon Festival program cover, will be announced and introduced.

Watermelon Festival programs and

T-shirts will also be available. The T-shirts are \$10 each or \$12 for the women's tank or spaghetti strap tops.

Also during the dinner, judges from the Jefferson Arts Gallery will choose the best watermelon carvings for the \$150 cash prize. Attendees can also vote for their favorite carvings by a cash vote for the People's Choice award. The winner receives half of what is in their pot.

There will also be a chance drawing for one lucky attendee to the dinner, to receive a flat-screen TV from Buddy's Home Furnishings.

The winners of the carving contest will also be announced that night.

After enjoying a scrumptious meal, step over to Mulberry Street for a kneelapping good time with the annual Altrusa Bed Race. Get ready to watch the sheets fly, the gauntlets thrown down and cheer your favorite teams. This year's event promises to be as grand as those of years past.

**FRAN HUNT**  
Jefferson Journal  
Staff Writer

Come if you dare to the 90-minute haunted tour being presented by The Big Bend Ghost Trackers (BBGT) 8 p.m., Friday and Saturday, June 14 and 15 and see some of the most haunted destinations in Monticello, named "The South's Most Haunted Small Town" and learn of their histories.

You will learn not only the history of the town but also something of those said to still haunt the living.

The walking tours are \$15 for ages 13 to adults; \$12 for children ages 8-12 and citizens over the age of 62; and children under the age of seven are free.

Also being offered are the 75-minute mini ghost hunts at the old 1827 cemetery. The prices for the mini ghost hunts are the same as those of the haunted tours however, those opting to take both the cemetery tour/ghost hunt is \$10. The cemetery tour will commence immediately following

the haunted tour.

As the evening descends into darkness you will embark upon the most exciting adventure of your life and travel into the unknown. You could see anyone from Monticello's haunted past at any second during the tour. So don't blink, you might miss it.

Those taking the tour are encouraged to wear comfortable shoes, bring their cameras, plenty of film, and be sure to bring some extra batteries because just before the spirits begin churning, they have a tendency to drain those in the cameras.

In past years, many have witnessed strange occurrences and taken many photos of orbs, ectoplasm and strange dark figures that go bump in the night. Don't be surprised when cameras pick up things not visible to the naked eye.

The tours are sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce and led by members of BBGT.

To make reservations call the Chamber at 997-5552 or BBGT at 508-8109.

# Monticello's Annual Watermelon Festival

## FMB Breakfast June 15

**FRAN HUNT**  
ECB Publishing  
Staff Writer

The Farmers and Merchants Bank (FMB) Watermelon Festival Breakfast will be held from 7 a.m. until 9 a.m., Saturday, June 15 under the FMB drive-thru.

The menu will include scrambled eggs, bacon, grits, biscuits, coffee and orange juice.

The cost of the breakfast is \$5 for adults and \$4 for children 12 and under.

Law enforcement, military, fire rescue/paramedics/EMS and Monticello city workers all eat for free. Spokesman Joe

Anderson explained, "Usually the breakfast is only for current military personnel in uniform such as military band members who are participating in the parade, however, we certainly won't turn down anyone who has served, we honor their sacrifice."

Anderson said FMB personnel purchase, prepare, and provide the meals as a service to the community.

This year's volunteers include Janie Bedell, Jerry Boatwright, Becky Branch, Sheila Croy, Ashley Evans, Pam Evans, Brooke Joiner, Bobby Kempinski, Bob McElroy, Dan Peel, and Brenda Smith.

## Great Watermelon Carving Contest Friday

**FRAN HUNT**  
ECB Publishing  
Staff Writer

The first ever Great Watermelon Carving Contest will be held Friday, June 7 at 5 p.m., during the Chamber's Watermelon Festival Kick-Off Dinner at the Opera House.

Since this is the first year for the contest, there is no entry fee, but the prize is \$150 in cash.

The carvings will be judged by members of the Jefferson Arts Gallery. Attendees may vote for their favorite with a cash donation to the pot of their choice. The carving with the most cash, receives the People's Choice award, and half the cash

in the pot.

Bring your entry form with your carving to the Opera House between 4 p.m. and 4:30 p.m., Friday, June 7.

Submit a photo of you with your creation for promotional purposes.

All carvings must be original. The contest is for persons ages 16 and up.

For entry forms go to the Chamber's website at monticellojeffersonfl.com, look under Watermelon Festival, and scroll down to enter watermelon carving contest, or stop by the Chamber of Commerce.

So use your imaginations, carve, carve, carve away, and come to the Kick-Off Dinner Friday.

## Kiwanis 5-K Melon Run June 15

**FRAN HUNT**  
Monticello News  
Staff Writer

The annual Kiwanis 5-K Melon Run will begin at 8:15 a.m., June 15 at the First United Methodist Church Family Ministry Center, located at the corner of South Water Street and West Washington Street.

Registration will be held from 7 a.m. until 8 a.m.

Early registration, on or before June 9 will be \$20, which will include a Melon Run T-shirt and \$15 if the

shirt is not included. Registration the day of the race is \$25 and a T-shirt is not guaranteed. Shirt sizes include small, medium, large and extra-large.

Applications can be picked up at the Chamber of Commerce or visit www.monticellojeffersonfl.com and click on events. Make checks payable to Youth, Inc. or register online at Active.com.

Awards will be given three deep male and female in each of the age groups.

Those age groups are: under 10, 10-14, 15-19, 20-24, 25-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50-54, 55-59, 60-64, 65-69, 70-74, 75-79, and 80 and older. Awards will also be given to the top male and female, overall, masters, grandmasters and local.

Send entries and checks to Monticello Kiwanis Club, PO Box 357, Monticello, FL 32345.

For further information contact Jessica Corley at jessicacorley@gmail.com or call 519-2158.

## WMF Street Dance June 14

**FRAN HUNT**  
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Staff Writer

The Watermelon Festival Street Dance will be held, Friday, June 14 at the Lotto van stage, located at the corner of Cherry and High streets, from 7:30 p.m. until 10:30 p.m.

The entertainment for the evening will be provided by the duo of Bobby

Kennedy and Michelle Milligan, who will provide a wide variety of music to satisfy all tastes.

So come on out and dance the evening away.

During the Street Dance will be the ever-popular watermelon seed-spitting contest at 8:30 p.m. So come on out, have some fun, spit, spit, spit those seeds and make your Mama proud!

## WMF Platform Events

**FRAN HUNT**  
ECB Publishing  
Staff Writer

The Watermelon Festival Platform Events will be held at 11 a.m., Saturday, June 15 on the stage of the Lotto van, located at the corner of Cherry and High

streets.

There will be a wide variety of music, so come on out, tap your feet, clap your hands, and swing your hips to the sounds of CDH and the Porch Lizards, The Hot Tamales, The Red Hill Cloggers, and Caleb Vaughn.

## Woman's Club WMF Luncheon June 13

**FRAN HUNT**  
ECB Publishing  
Staff Writer

The Monticello Woman's Club will be hosting their annual Watermelon Festival Luncheon, Thursday, June 13 at noon, at the Opera House.

Spokesperson Ethel Strickland said that this year's event is NOT a fashion show, so she highly encourages men to also attend the event.

This year's event will feature the music of Rick Knowles & Friends (Josh Noland, Ben Reed, and Rebecca Rigdon), and a portion of Melanie Mays' group, approximately 10 children, will be performing songs, movement, and dancing routines for the audience.

Door prizes will be awarded and tickets can be purchased at the Monticello Opera House or the Chamber of Commerce for \$12. Raffle tickets will also be available for \$1 each.

Hurry and get your tickets now, and then come out and enjoy a fantastic chicken salad meal with

some very talented local residents, showcasing their talents for the audience. Again, this is NOT a fashion show.



## Rotary Barbecue June 14

**FRAN HUNT**  
ECB Publishing  
Staff Writer

Rotarians will host their annual Watermelon Festival barbecue dinner sales, 5 p.m. until 8 p.m., Friday June 14 at the Monticello Opera House.

Tickets are available from any Rotary Club member for \$8 for adults and \$4 for children under 12. Tickets will also be available at the door.

Eat in or carry out is available because many choose to enjoy their meals while visiting friends and family in the Monticello Opera House while many more patrons pick up multiple to-go trays.

The menu includes the Rotary's world famous barbecue Boston Butt, corn on the cob, secret recipe baked beans, coleslaw, bread, iced tea and a wide variety of homemade desserts.

Preparations begin bright and early the morning of the event, about 7 a.m., taking a total of about 20-25 people from Team Rotary behind the scenes to prepare the delectable meal.

The flavor-fragrant air wafts through the city throughout the day, leading up to the event.

In preparations, first, Rotarians begin the husking, cleaning and cooking

of the corn. The meat is cooked, cut, chopped and seasoned, late in the day; baked beans are started at about noon, while the coleslaw is prepared fresh.

It takes much work and planning from many to make the ever-popular annual barbecue, the huge success it continues to be. Rotary member Mary Frances Gramling said members are in high hopes of serving more meals this year than in past years.

All of the proceeds from the event will go toward promoting vocational studies, club scholarships for local deserving youth and community projects.

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## Aucilla Christian Academy Honor Roll 6th 6 Weeks 2012-2013

<p><b>K4 (Bass)</b> <b>All E</b> Kanny Andrews, Caine Demott, Brandon Key, J.T. Kinard, Jaret Kinsey, Skyler Pearson, Emma Rogers, Bo Rutledge</p> <p><b>K-5 (Stephens)</b> <b>All E</b> Hayden Ashworth, Ethan Bass, Nash Beshears, Suzanne Beshears, Natalie Clark, Bryson Clore, Lauren Davis, Kristina Everly, Josh Forehand, Emma Green, Kyle Hamrick, Chance Pridgeon, Logan Reidle, Baylor Sever, Caleb Walker, Raegan Walker, Jason Wheeler</p> <p><b>All E, S+, S</b> Danica Baggett, Jacob Flynt, Feran Rosas, Elizabeth Walker</p> <p><b>First Grade (Roberts)</b> <b>All A</b> Riley Beggs, Tyson Clark, Harper Davis, Daniel Hoenstine, Chase Oester, Kylee Padgett, Walker Sparkman, Emma</p>	<p>Vickers <b>All A and B</b> Joshua Boland, Adam Day, Dalton Demott, Wyman Demott, Lauchlin Faglie, Leigha Hunt, Joshua Payne, Zachary Sears, Emilee Walker</p> <p><b>Second Grade (Love)</b> <b>All A</b> Daisy Kinard, Ali Townsend</p> <p><b>All A and B</b> Brewster Bass, Destiny Clore, Aiden Day, Axel Day, Anna Drawdy, Sammi Drawdy, Jace Grant, Daniel Harrington, Tyler Hoensstine, Samuel Kennedy, Kenzie Key, Haylie McLeod, Macy Reagan, Lillie Schwiier, Caroline Taylor, Emma Tharpe, Kaitlyn Tharpe, Paxton Williams</p> <p><b>Third Grade (Aman)</b> <b>All A</b> Turner Beshears, Kasey Chmura, Mandy Guo, Tag Williams</p> <p><b>All A and B</b> Caitlin Bates, Jacob Green, Oliver Hutsell, Ad-</p>	<p>dison Shiver, Megan Vann, Tristan Walker, Ben Whiddon</p> <p><b>Fourth Grade Multi-Age (Falk)</b> <b>All A</b> Joey Davis</p> <p><b>All A and B</b> Lindsey Davis, Selina Drawdy, Keira Evans</p> <p><b>Fourth Grade (Whiddon)</b> <b>All A</b> Kolton Gramling, Riley Rowe, MaryRose Schwiier, Olivia Walton, Ginger Whiddon</p> <p><b>All A and B</b> Xander Ames, Natalie Andrews, Jeb Beshears, Brady Browning, Dean Forehand, Jared Grant, James Hightower, Emmaleah Hooppell, Liam Mediate, Krishan Patel, Alissa Roland, Jarrett Roland, Wyatt Stafford, Will Sullivan, Makayla Walker</p> <p><b>Fifth Grade Multi-Age (Falk)</b> <b>All A</b> Bailey McLeod</p>	<p><b>All A and B</b> Ansley English, Nathan Green, Carl Hall</p> <p><b>Fifth Grade (Hughey)</b> <b>All A and B</b> Dawson Bishop, Nathan Dukes, Brandon Hannon, Abby Reams, Marley Restrepo, Albree Shiver</p> <p><b>Sixth Grade</b> <b>All A</b> Emily Brock, Carley Ondash, Megan Schofill</p> <p><b>All A and B</b> Grace Beshears, Ian Hutsell, Ryan Jackson, Rachel Johnson, Maggie Mall, Levi Stafford</p> <p><b>Seventh Grade</b> <b>All A</b> Timothy Finlayson, Camryn Grant, Mickaela Whiddon</p> <p><b>All A and B</b> Summer Dee, Skylar Dickey, Jacob Dukes, Evan Hocking, Katie James, Carly Joiner, Kurt Lane, Abigail Morgan, Brandon Slaughter, Ria Wheeler</p>	<p><b>Eighth Grade</b> <b>All A</b> Traynor Barker, Kate Whiddon</p> <p><b>All A and B</b> Meagan Beaty, Dena Bishop, Cali Burkett, Faith Demott, Stephanie English, Joshua Greene, Sarah Hall, Chaz Hamilton, Joe Hannon, Kelly Horne, Brittany Hughes, Jenny Jackson, Heather James, Gatlin Nennstiel, Kirsten Reagan, Sarah Riley, Ramsey Sullivan</p> <p><b>Ninth Grade</b> <b>All A</b> Dorian Alberti, Corey Brandies, Taylor Copeland, Abigail Hettlinger, Savannah Jenkins, Zackery Peterson, Sarah Tharpe, Emma Witmer</p> <p><b>All A and B</b> Dalton Gramling, Sam Hogg, Taylor McKnight, T.J. Swords, Gaige Winchester</p> <p><b>Tenth Grade</b> <b>All A</b> Morgan Cline, Ricky</p>	<p>Finlayson, Sarah James, Kinzi Mattingly</p> <p><b>All A and B</b> Cole Barclay, Austin Bishop, Carson Nennstiel, Monique Restrepo</p> <p><b>Eleventh Grade</b> <b>All A</b> Cole Davis, Aimee Love, Sara Peeler, Whitney Stevens</p> <p><b>All A and B</b> Lauren Demott, Ashley Hebert, Brandon Holm, Hunter Horne, Brooke Joiner, Braden Mattingly, Ashlyn Mills</p> <p><b>Twelfth Grade</b> <b>All A</b> Sarah Boland, Ashli Cline, Jared Jackson, Kaley Love, Hadley Revell, Ashley Schofill, Audrey Waters, Pamela Watt</p> <p><b>All A and B</b> Tres Copeland, Samantha Douglas, Jay Finlayson, Brooke Kinsley, Whitney McKnight, Michaela Metcalfe, Caroline Schwab, Josh Wood, Kaleb Wyche</p>
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### Tarneisha McCray 2013 MCA Graduate

DEBBIE SNAPP  
ECB Publishing  
Staff Writer

Tarneisha Shantrell McCray graduated from Monticello Christian Academy on Friday evening, May 17, 2013. She was Valedictorian of her Senior Class.

She read from a composition originally by Kent Keith, "Do It Anyway." The verses were reportedly written on the wall of Mother Teresa's home for children in Calcutta, India, and are widely attributed to her.

Some sources say that the words were written on



as they do, the spirit in which they lived their lives.

Tarneisha is the daughter of Jenetha Morris and Clarence Mays; and the granddaughter of Junious Ball Jr. and Mary Ann McCray.

She plans to attend North Florida Community College in the Fall to study in the medical field, to become a Registered Nurse.



the wall in Mother Teresa's own room. In any case, their association with Mother Teresa and the Missionaries of Charity has made them popular worldwide, expressing

### Akins Receives Diploma

DEBBIE SNAPP  
ECB Publishing  
Staff Writer

Ma'Khya Mo'Nique Akins graduated from Little Angels in Training on Friday afternoon, May 31, 2013. She received her diploma from directors LaKayhia and Tony Jackson.



Ma'Khya is the daughter of Tieshia and Jerrod Akins of Monticello and the granddaughter of Nellie Kay and Jerome Akins of Monticello and Willie Tolbert of St. Petersburg and the late Priscilla Barnes. She is the sister of Jamiyha Janae Akins.

### Bell Is Named To Dean's List

DEBBIE SNAPP  
ECB Publishing  
Staff Writer

Cody Bell, a Bio Science Molecular Biology major, was among the students from Florida Institute of Technology in Melbourne who were named to the Dean's List for the Spring semester, which ended in May 2013.

To be included on the Dean's List, a student must complete 12 or more graded credits in a semester, with a semester grade point average of at least 3.4.

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Cody is a 2012 graduate of Jefferson County Middle High School and the son of Cathy and Joey Bell of Monticello.

### Hamm Receives BS

DEBBIE SNAPP  
ECB Publishing  
Staff Writer

Lutricia A. Hamm will receive her Bachelor of Science Degree in Child Psychology this Saturday, June 8, 2013 from the University of Phoenix.

The graduation ceremony will be held at the Jacksonville Veteran's Memorial Arena in Jacksonville, beginning at 1 p.m.

Lutricia is a Monticello resident and the daughter of the late Rev. John and Phyllis Miller of Lloyd.



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**Size 8 child's** - white, long dress, lace around neck with decorative bodice - \$25

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## BID NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Board of County Commissioners of Jefferson County, Florida will be accepting sealed bids for the following: Two (2) New Current Model Tandem Drive Motor Graders, Heavy Duty Category: Known as Bid Number 2013-05. Sealed bids may be submitted to the Board of County Commissioners by depositing same at the Board office located in the Jefferson County Coordinator's Office at 450 West Walnut Street Monticello, FL 32344, anytime prior to 3:00 PM on Thursday, June 13, 2013. ANY BID RECEIVED AFTER SUCH DATE AND TIME WILL NOT BE OPENED OR CONSIDERED. Sealed bids must be clearly marked as a sealed bid and the bid number must be printed on the outside of the front of the envelope: **Two (2) New Tandem Drive Motor Graders, Bid Number 2013-05. BID MUST CONTAIN A COPY OF THE VENDOR'S MADISON COUNTY OCCUPATIONAL LICENSE WHERE APPLICABLE, OR CERTIFIED STATE CONTRACTOR NUMBER TO BE CONSIDERED FOR AWARD.** Bid Specifications, as well as other pertinent documents, may be obtained from Jefferson County road Dept Office at 1484 South Jefferson Street-Monticello, FL 32344. Copies of Specifications are available at the County Clerk's Office or the County Coordinator's Office during regular office hours. Jefferson County reserves the right to waive any informality or to reject any or all bids. Bids will be opened at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 13, 2013 after which all bids will be available for public inspection. Bid Award by the Board of County Commissioners will be during their regularly scheduled meeting to be held on Tuesday, June 18, 2013. All vendors will be notified in writing of the successful bidder. 5/17,22,24,29,6/5,7,12,2013

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

**IN RE: ESTATE OF RUTH ELIZABETH CLARK, Deceased.** **PROBATE DIVISION CASE NO: 2013-12 CP**

**AMENDED NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION**

The administration of the estate of **RUTH ELIZABETH CLARK**, deceased, Case No. 13 - 12 CP is pending in the Circuit Court for Jefferson County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Jefferson County Courthouse, Monticello, Florida. The names and addresses of the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All interested persons are required to file with this Court, **WITHIN THREE MONTHS OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE:** (1) all claims against the estate and (2) any objection by an interested person on whom this notice was served that challenges the validity of the Will, the qualifications of the personal representative, venue, or jurisdiction of the Court.

**ALL CLAIMS AND OBJECTIONS NOT FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.**

Publication of this Notice has begun on May 29, 2013.

**Attorneys:** MICHAEL A. REICHMAN, Attorney for Personal Representative, P.O. Box 41, Monticello, FL 32345, Phone: (850) 997-5100, Fax: (850) 997-3542, FLA BAR NO: 183518; HELEN JOHNSON, 5/29, 6/5, 2013

## NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that D.C. and L.L. Merritt the holders of the following certificate have filed said certificate for a tax deed.

The certificate number, year of issuance, description of the property and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate Number: 395 Year of Issuance: 2008

Description of Property: 03-1N-4E-0000-001E-0000 15 ACRES In E 1/2 of NW 1/4 Less Land Sold ORB 284 PG 86 Site Address: 1310 Piney Woods Road

Name in which assessed: **WESLEY & BRENDA HOLLIS, SR.**

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Jefferson County Courthouse, north door on the **18<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JULY, 2013 at 11:00 a.m.**

Dated this 24<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MAY, 2013.

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The certificate number, year of issuance, description of the property and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate Number: 85 Year of Issuance: 2010

Description of Property: 00-00-00-0350-0000-0013 Lot 123 x 133 FT in Lot 1, Northern Addition ORB 414 PG 345 & ORB 645 PG 343 Site Address: 820 N. Cherry Street - Monticello, Florida

Name in which assessed: **GEORGE CARSWELL**

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

**On Monday, June 10, 2013, the Jefferson County Emergency Management will be conducting an Active Shooter Exercise at the Jefferson County Middle/High School.**

Please be advised that this exercise will involve law enforcement, emergency medical personnel, emergency management and other first responders.

**THIS IS A NOTIFICATION TO ALL JEFFERSON COUNTY RESIDENTS THAT THERE WILL BE NUMEROUS FIRST RESPONDERS ON THE CAMPUS OF THE JEFFERSON COUNTY MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL ON June 10<sup>th</sup> BUT IT IS STRICTLY FOR AN EXERCISE.**

All play will be contained to the Jefferson County Middle/High School Campus. **NO live ammunition or weapons** will be allowed on campus during the exercise, controlled simulated weapons and ammunition will be used during the exercise.

This notice is to make you aware of the exercise and to inform you of the activities that will be occurring. The area will be secured and **NO unauthorized personnel will be able to enter the premises.** Please limit your business and/or traffic around the Jefferson County Middle/High School between the hours of 7:00a until 4:00p.

If you have any questions and/or concerns, please call **Jefferson County Emergency Management at 342-0211.** 6/5/13

## NOTICE OF LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE PROPOSED CHANGE

The Board of County Commissioners of Jefferson County will hold the 2nd public hearing on the following proposed land development code change on June 18, 2013 at 6:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as such matter may be heard, in the Jefferson County Courthouse Annex located at 435 West Walnut Street, Monticello, Jefferson County, Florida. The meeting may be continued as necessary.

**JEFFERSON COUNTY, FLORIDA BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ORDINANCE NO. 2013-06182013-01 AN ORDINANCE OF JEFFERSON COUNTY FLORIDA, RELATING TO RECREATIONAL SHOOTING AND FIRING RANGES; PROVIDING FOR FINDINGS OF FACT; PROVIDING FOR PURPOSE; AMENDING LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE SECTION 2.02.01.03, OUTDOOR RECREATIONAL, TO EXEMPT COMMERCIAL RECREATIONAL SHOOTING AND FIRING RANGES FROM THE REQUIREMENT OF OBTAINING A SPECIAL EXCEPTION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR AUTHORITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

From the Florida "Government in the Sunshine Manual", page 36, paragraph c: Each board, commission, or agency of this state or of any political subdivision thereof shall include in the notice of any meeting or hearing, if notice of meeting or hearing is required, of such board, commission, or agency, conspicuously on such notice, the advice that, if a person decides to appeal any decision made by the board, agency, or commission with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings, is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. 6/5/13

**The Jefferson County Solid Waste Department will be accepting bids on the following vehicles:**

- 2000 Ford Crown Victoria, ID # 8884
- 2000 Ford Crown Victoria, ID # 9726
- 2000 Ford Crown Victoria, ID # 0973

The vehicles may be viewed at the Solid Waste Department located at 1591 S. Waukeena Street between 8:30 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. All sealed bids must include the bidder name, address, and telephone number, as well as the bid amount and ID of the vehicle. Bids will be opened on Wednesday, June 19, 2013 at 2:00 p.m. 6/5,7,12/13

# AROUND JEFFERSON COUNTY

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

debbiesnapp@embarqmail.com or 850-997-3568

**June 5-26**  
Jefferson Arts will host a 'Members Exhibit' in the Gallery every Wednesday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., or by appointment. The gallery is located at 575 West Washington Street. For more information and directions, call 850-997-3311 or info@jeffersonarts-gallery.com. Ask about FREE art classes.

**June 6**  
Chamber Ribbon Cutting and Grand Opening at Sandy and Solomon Seafood Market at 12:30 pm on Thursday at 1015 North Jefferson. Come out to celebrate a seafood market in your neighborhood!

**June 6**  
Fun Fitness Classes for all levels! Mondays and Thursdays: Golden Girls Revival 4:30 to 5:15 p.m. and Girls Revival with Core 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. For more information contact Doris Bishop at 850-591-0085 or go to www.GirlsRevivalFitness.com.

**June 7**  
Come out to support and celebrate the Ribbon Cutting and Grand Opening of

a new Chamber member, Tractor Supply. There will be prize drawings for in-store items, store gift cards, and even a brand new lawn mower! Tractor Supply will host fundraisers by the local 4H and FFA Clubs, and the Jefferson County Humane Society. There will also be children's activities, such as train rides around the store. The fun begins at 9:30 a.m.

**June 7**  
Watermelon Festival Chamber of Commerce Kick-Off Dinner and Watermelon Carving Contest from 5 to 7 p.m. on Friday evening at the Monticello Opera House. Enjoy a fantastic lasagna dinner and meet the winners of the Children's Watermelon Festival Cover Art Contest; FMB Essay Writing Contest; Baby Photo Contest; the Watermelon Carving Contest; and the Pageant winners. Tickets to the dinner are available at the Chamber \$10 adults, and \$6 for children 10 and under. The Altrusa Bed Race will follow. To sign up for all of the festival contests, events,

and parade call 850-997-5552.

**June 7**  
Rotary will meet at 12 p.m. on Friday at the First Presbyterian Church, in the fellowship hall, for lunch, a meeting, program, and speaker. For questions or comments, contact President Neill Wade at 850-545-4940.

**June 7**  
Monticello Jamboree Band will perform music for dancing at 7 p.m. on Friday at 625 South Water Street. There will be doorprizes, cold soft drinks, and snacks. Everyone is welcome to come dance, listen to some of the finest music, and just enjoy some fun and camaraderie with neighbors and friends. This is a nonprofit charitable event. For questions or concerns, contact Curtis Morgan at 850-933-8136 or Bobby Connell at 850-445-0049.

**June 8**  
Martial Arts classes are held from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Saturday in the Memorial Missionary Baptist Church fellowship hall. Contact Diane Hall at 850-264-1195 for more information.

## Big Bend Hospice Board Gathers For A Cause



Big Bend Hospice board members and volunteers from Jefferson County gathered to break ground for the new Jean McCully Family House. They are pictured from left to right: BBH Foundation Director Nigel Allen, BBH Chairman Steve Mindlind, Senator Bill Montford, Leon County Commissioner Kristen Dozier, Jean McCully, BBH Campaign Chairperson Marjorie Turnbull, Tallahassee Mayor John Marks, BBH Foundation Chairman Ron Tate, and BBH Chief Executive Officer and President Cathy Adkison.

Community leaders, elected officials, and medical professionals gathered recently at Big Bend Hospice for an announcement, dedication ceremony, and the groundbreaking for the new Jean McCully Family House, designed to expand the organization's ability to serve those in the community with life-limiting illnesses.

The construction of the Jean McCully Family House will provide much-needed space for families

and friends of patients in a family-centered environment. Additionally, Big Bend Hospice will add bedside oxygen and suction in all patient bedrooms in the Margaret Z. Dozier Hospice House enabling Big Bend Hospice to provide around-the-clock service to patients who otherwise would have to spend their final days in an ICU or hospital setting.

Celebrating its 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year, Big Bend Hospice serves

eight counties in the North Florida area with compassionate end-of-life care along with grief and loss counselors available to provide information and support to anyone in Jefferson, Madison, Franklin, Gadsden, Leon, Liberty, Taylor, and Wakulla counties. For additional information about services or how to contribute to Our House: The Campaign for Big Bend Hospice, call 850-878-5310 or visit www.bigbendhospice.org.

## Humane Society Happenings

FRAN HUNT  
ECB Publishing  
Staff Writer

Members and volunteers of the Jefferson County Humane Society ask residents to come on out and join them Saturday, June 8 from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. at the Grand Opening celebration of the Tractor Supply in Monticello, located on

South Jefferson Street.

They will have animals available for adoption, and they will be selling hotdogs and drinks throughout the day.

They also ask residents to come and visit them at their booth during the Watermelon Festival, Saturday June 15, from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m.

They will have animals ready for adoption during the cooler morning hours of the day. They will also be accepting donations for their delicious homemade baked goods.

If anyone is available to volunteer for shift on either one of these days, contact Teresa Kessler at 997-4540.

## JEFFERSON COUNTY CRIME BEAT

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

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Curtis Woodson, 62, of Jefferson County, was arrested May 20 and charged with driving under the influence with property damage, and driving while license suspended or revoked. A total bond of \$1,500 was set and he bonded out of jail the same day.

Thomas Charles Warren, 67, of Lloyd, was arrested May 24 and charged with violation of probation on the charge of reck-

less driving. He was released on his own recognizance May 28.

Ursula Wuerner, 45, of Jefferson County, was arrested May 24 and charged with violation of probation on the charge of driving while license suspended or revoked. Bond was withheld and she remained at the County Jail June 4.

Gary Lee Diotte, 48, of St. Augustine, FL, was arrested May 25 and charged with violation of probation on the charge of fleeing and eluding law

enforcement officers with no regard for the safety of others. Bond was withheld and he remained at the County Jail June 4.

James Harold Louis, 43, of Jacksonville, FL, was arrested May 28 and charged with fleeing and attempting to elude law enforcement officers, driving while license suspended or revoked, and attaching a tag not assigned. A total bond of \$13,000 was set and he remained at the County Jail June 4.

Terrian S. Atkins, 34, of Tallahassee, was arrested May 28 and charged with writ of attachment for nonpayment of child support. Bond was set at \$1,000 and he remained at the County Jail June 4.

Joshua Douglas Stanley, 29, of Tallahassee, was arrested May 28 and charged with violation of probation on the charge of driving while license suspended or revoked. He was released on his own recognizance the following day.

Jeremy Bisbee, 28, of Jefferson County, was arrested May 28 and charged with violation of probation on the charge of burglary of a structure; and violation of probation on the charge of grand theft. Bond was withheld and he remained at the County Jail June 4.

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