

Governor Orders Suspension Of Scott As Monticello Mayor

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I della Scott is no longer mayor of Monticello, by order of the Governor and as a consequence of her recent arrest.

On Thursday afternoon, Nov. 21, Gov. Rick Scott issued an executive order suspending Scott from public office. The order prohibits Scott from performing any official act, duty, or function of office; receiving any pay or allowance; or "being entitled to any of the emoluments or

privileges of public office" during the suspension period.

The suspension, which became effective immediately, continues until either another executive order is issued or "as otherwise provided by law."

The Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) arrested and charged Scott with forgery, uttering a forged instrument and grand theft on Wednesday, Nov. 20.

The charges stem from Scott's former employment as a deputy clerk with the Jefferson

Tax Collector's office. She is charged with depositing in her personal bank account a check for \$697.25 that a citizen intended for the Tax Collector's office as payment for his vehicle registration renewal.

Scott is scheduled to appear for arraignment before County Judge Bobby Plaines at 9 a.m. Monday, Dec. 2, in the Jefferson County Courthouse.

Scott's suspension from office leaves Vice Mayor Tom Vogelgesang as acting mayor for the time being.

City Attorney Bruce Leinback was unavailable for comment on Monday and City Clerk Emily Anderson said she didn't know what the council might decide to do, in terms of Scott's vacant position. Anderson said it would likely be the council's decision to wait until the court's disposition of the case before taking any action.

According to the Monticello City Charter, the mayor may fill a vacant position if a councilmember is unavailable to serve for 45

days.

Scott's troubles stem from a civil lawsuit that she filed against Tax Collector Louis Howell-Hunter in federal court earlier this year. The complaint alleged that her firing as deputy clerk effective Jan. 31 had been politically motivated and constituted a violation of her constitutional rights.

In the lawsuit, Scott sought a significant monetary compensation for the mental and emotional anguish that she allegedly suffered as a result of the

termination. Scott additionally sought to be reinstated to her job, to receive back pay and benefits, and for her attorney's fees to be paid.

On Sept. 6, a 10-member jury in Tallahassee found in favor of Howell-Hunter following a two-day trial before Federal Judge Robert Lewis Hinkle.

The allegations against Scott that resulted in the FDLE charges surfaced during testimony in the trial.

The FDLE initiated its investigation in August.

After-Thanksgiving Seafood Feast

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Jefferson County Union Number One will host an 'After-Thanksgiving Seafood Feast' on Saturday, November 30 at the Monticello Opera House.

This free meal will begin at 1 p.m. and will continue through the day. This is an opportunity for the ministry to give back into its community; and, what better time than during the season of Thanksgiving.

Plan to dine-in or take-out. Come share good food and good fellowship with good friends and neighbors.

For more information contact Rev. Charles G. Smith at 850-345-8623 or Rev. James Mack at 850-997-8747. This is a FREE event.

Representative Beshears Distributes Wool Blankets And Lunches To His Local Constituents



ECB Publishing Photo By Debbie Snapp, Nov. 25, 2013.

Representative Halsey Beshears, right, distributes wool blankets and lunches to his local constituents on Monday morning, with help from his staff, Ben Murphy, left, and Vicky Summerhill, center. Farm Share, a nonprofit organization, donated the blankets and meals. For more information, call (850) 342-0016 or email halsey.beshears@myfloridahouse.gov.

Rubio Staffer To Visit Here

A member of U.S. Senator Marco Rubio's staff is scheduled to visit Monticello on Wednesday, Dec. 4. The staffer will be available from 2 to 3:30 p.m. at the Monticello City Hall to assist any citizen having an issue with Social Security, Medicare, Veterans Benefits, immigration, the IRS or any federal agency.

Monticello City Hall is located at 245 South Mulberry Street, two blocks south of U.S. 90.

For more information, call Rubio's capital regional office at (850) 599-9100.

Florida's Jobless Rate Continues Improving



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Florida unemployment rate continues to drop, reaching 6.7 percent in October — a 0.1 percentage point decrease from the previous month.

This according to

the latest figures released by the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (FDEO) on Friday, Nov. 22.

The state agency reports that the last time Florida's jobless rate was 6.7 percent was in August 2008. Nationally, the jobless rate was 7.3

percent in October.

In Jefferson and Madison counties, meanwhile, the rates were 5.4 and 8.3 percent, down from 5.8 and 8.6 percents during the previous month, respectively.

Statewide, the 6.7

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Group Makes Another Bid For Old Howard Academy

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For the second time in a little more than two years, a group of African-American leaders under the auspices of Concerned United People (CUP) approached the Jefferson County School Board with a request that Old Howard Academy be conveyed to the nonprofit group.

Located at the corner of Cypress and Mamie Scott Drive, Old Howard Academy served as the black high school in Jefferson County from 1940 to 1961, when desegregation kicked-in locally.

Research done by CUP indicates that the property, originally purchased by African-American citizens in 1939 and conveyed to the school district in 1940, subsequently served as a day-care center from 1975 to 1994 and as a Boys and

Girls clubhouse from 2005 to 2008. The building has been vacant since 2008, as it apparently was from 1961 to 1975 and 1995 to 2005.

According to CUP's presentation to the School Board on Tuesday evening, Nov. 12, numerous of Old Howard Academy's graduates have gone on to earn higher education degrees and become prominent in various fields of endeavor throughout the country.

As envisioned by the Old Howard Academy Restoration and Development Committee (OHARC), the group pursuing the conveyance, the building would be used as a community center for civic, social and educational affairs. Meaning that it would be made available the public for weddings, workshops, conferences and class and family re-

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Rotary Fighting Hunger In Jefferson County



Monticello Rotary President Angela Gray with Stephanie Kilham, director of Food Resources for the Second Harvest of the Big Bend Area food program.

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Stephanie Kilham, director of Food Resources for the Second Harvest program, was the guest speaker to the November 15 Monticello Rotary meeting. She presented a fact-filled program on hunger in Jefferson County and around the Big Bend Area.

Second Harvest of the Big Bend collects excess food and distributes to its 11-county region, which includes Jefferson County. Sec-

ond Harvest also provides the link between food donors, local and national, and 150 partner non-profit or faith-based agencies that distribute the food to families.

14-percent of people receiving food are homeless while 46-percent are working families. Today, Second Harvest brings 6.5 million pounds of food to the Big Bend Area. To eliminate hunger the need is 10-million pounds of food.

Opportunities to help fight hunger are

numerous. Second Harvest works with local farmers to gather food left in the fields; with local hunters to process excess game; conducts food drives; and has a mobile pantry with fresh produce.

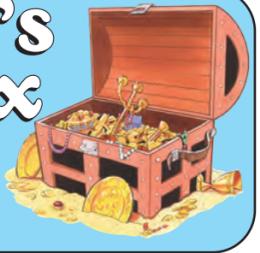
To help feed your local neighbors, contact Second Harvest of Big Bend at www.fightinghunger.org or call 850-562-3033.

To learn more about Rotary, contact President Angela Gray at angelagray@yahoo.com.



Emerald's Gem Box

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Happy 21st Birthday, Cheltsie

Today (November 27) marks the 21st birthday of my oldest daughter, Cheltsie Elizabeth Kinsley.

To say the least, my life changed dramatically 21 years ago today. At the age of 23, I became a first-time mother. Everything about her was so exciting and yet so scary. I was so afraid of doing something wrong and hurting her.

As all parents know, those fears never really leave us. As our children grow, we too have to learn new things and cross new obstacles, with them.

The fears of doing things wrong are still present in so many aspects of

our lives with them.

I sometimes watch Cheltsie now and truly cannot believe that it has been 21 years. It seems like just yesterday....

I could not be more proud of the young lady that Cheltsie has become. Her moral values, her Christian standards, her work ethics and her dedication to her family and friends are all so astounding.

So on this very special day, I would like to say, "Happy Birthday, Cheltsie! I Love You and I Am So Very Proud Of You!"

I'm so glad God gave you to me - 21 years ago!!!

Until then.....see you around the town.



Searching For Ambrosia

Rose Klein
Guest Columnist



Thanksgiving - An Inventory of Blessings



Every year at Thanksgiving, there are always things that come to mind when giving thanks, but this season I have found myself grumbling instead of being thankful. The closer it gets to the actual day when I ceremonially voice what I am thankful for, I decided I needed to think about the many blessings I really do have instead of all the negative things I've been focusing on. When I began this list of thankfulness, the thought of one blessing seemed to immediately bring to mind several more, and before I knew it, my list of complaints looked very

small. My list is not written out like a "top 10" in any particular order, and definitely not inclusive, but more like random musings to readjust my thinking. Inevitably the "grumbles" will strike again but when they do, maybe I can pull my list out so that I can refocus and consider how thankful I should be a little more often.

Grace and forgiveness, love, generosity, chocolate, friends who cook for me, warm fuzzy boots and gloves on a cold day, a husband who tries, cell phones and computers to help me stay connected, friends and family who will drive long distances to see me, a job, a house with heat and air, my health, freedom, woods full of trees where I can walk my dogs, memories (even if they are sad), the ability to walk-speak-smell-sing-hear-dance-use my hands and feet-and taste, dogs who don't mind snuggling, my Mom living close, sugar (even if it is "bad"), my mind, fresh eggs,

hot shower, rain, snow (even if I don't see it here), home-grown tomatoes, sweet watermelon, summer blackberries, laughter, gentle prodding, the long-awaited healthy pregnancy of a close friend, electricity, people in service positions to keep me and my home safe, toilet paper, answered prayer, strangers who remind me they are just people I haven't gotten to know YET, butterflies and dragonflies, any animal that lets me photograph them without hurting me, cheese, the scent and beauty of flowers, vacations, raisin bran and soymilk, google, medicine, good dreams, books that I can still read without a screen, really good vacuum cleaners that picks up dog hair the size of tumble weeds, peanut butter, waking up this morning and a maximum word count on this column that forces me to stop writing, because without it, I could go on and on, and on.

I hope each and every one of you have a great holiday, friends and family to help you celebrate, plenty of good food (no matter what that food is) and a list of blessings of your own that you can be thankful for. Happy Thanksgiving!

STINGERS

Why aren't all members of "the Administration" and Congressional staff being furloughed without pay?? Want to find out something scary? Find out the "salaries" and value of "benefits" of all employees, appointees and members of the Administration, and of Congress. The country is certainly growing more toward a division of classes. The "upper class" members are the "high level" government individuals. Also, maybe the first lady and first children should not be taking trips and vacations at taxpayer expense.

The answer to Mr. Hall's dilemma is obvious. He should resort to self-help. He could organize a group of his friends and they could clean ditches and vacant lots until Mr Hall 's heart is content. I'm sure Mr. Nelson would be happy to participate and afterwards take the entire clean up crew to lunch - Mr. Nelson's treat of course.

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unions, as well as serving as a tourist attraction.

Members of the OHARC who spoke the School Board on Tuesday evening were C.P. Miller, Commissioner John Nelson, Willard Barnhart, Lonnie Griffin and engineer Alan Wise, of Preble-Rish Inc.

The group's estimated cost for the building's renovation is \$1,159,000, or \$547,000 for phase 1 and \$612,000 for phase 2. The money is projected to come from state and federal grants, fundraisers, corporate gifts, alumni contributions and in-kind and cash donations.

The group presented a petition signed by 465 Jefferson County residents expressing support for CUP's efforts to obtain the Old Howard Academy building for historic restoration and preservation purposes.

The group also presented letters in support of the project from state and local leaders and academy alumni, including State Senator Bill Montford, State Representative Halsey Beshears, Sheriff David Hobbs, Property Appraiser Angela Gray and Dr. David Green Jr., a retired university math professor and former alumnus of the academy.

The School Board's response to the petition was at best lukewarm, in effect merely expressing appreciation for the presentation. School Su-

perintendent Al Cooksey noted that the district had already begun making improvements to the property, with an eye to possibly utilizing it in the future. He, for one, had been unaware of CUP's interest in the building, he said.

School Board Member Larry Halsey wanted to know what exactly it was that CUP was requesting?

It was that the board sell or outright deed the building to CUP, Miller said. The latter option seemed particularly appropriate, he said, as African-American citizens had originally purchased the property and deeded it to the district. The district, in fact, had spent little if any money on the property during the years, he said.

The board's response was to seize on a technicality, noting that the item was merely identified on the agenda as a presentation, not as a specific request for a vote.

Miller took issue with the fine distinction.

How the board listed items on its agenda was the board's prerogative, Miller said. But the group's obvious intention had been to get a decision on the building and the board should respond with more than mere praise for the presentation, he said.

"We're asking you very passionately to make a decision on an eyesore building, especially when you've got people who want to make it better," Miller said. "You've got to tell us more than that you're going to do something and give no timeframe. We need something more from this board."

School Board Member Charles Boland reminded Miller that the

School Board had leased the building to CUP once and the latter had failed to live up to the terms of the agreement. CUP, Boland said, had not paid the monthly fee and had finally given up the lease after a year.

Miller conceded the point. But he said it was difficult to obtain state or federal funding when the organization didn't legally own the building. "We gave the lease up because that's not the way to go about it," Miller said.

He said if the board deeded the building to CUP, the organization was willing to assign an agreement that it could never sell the property; and if it were ever to abandon the building, the deed would automatically revert to the school district. He called such an arrangement a win-win situation.

School Board Member Sandra Saunders, in whose District 2 the Howard Academy resides, wasn't convinced. She said many questions remained to be answered and suggested a workshop to explore the issue further. That workshop is scheduled for 6 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 19.

CUP's initial request for the conveyance of Old Howard Academy, which the board rejected, was in September 2011.

Earlier, in May 2011, the School Board terminated CUP's original 15-year lease to the property because of alleged "breach of contract." The School Board's stated reasons for terminating the contract were CUP's failure to pay the required \$150 monthly lease and the organization's failure to secure the required liability insurance for the structure.

Jobs

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percent represents 625,000 jobless Floridians out of a labor force of 9,396,000 — not counting individuals who have given up the search for work or are underemployed or employed part time.

Per the FDEO, Florida's seasonally adjusted total nonagricultural employment was 7,618,900 in October, an increase of 44,600 jobs over the month. Seasonally adjusted means the numbers have been purged of seasonal and other factors that could skew the results.

"Florida's annual job growth rate in October 2013 was the fastest since June 2006," the FDEO reports.

For Jefferson County, the 5.4 percent rate translates into 363 jobless persons out of a labor force of 6,672, compared with 387 jobless persons out of a labor force of 6,688 in September, when the rate was 5.8 percent.

In October 2012, the comparable figures were 501 jobless persons out of a workforce of 6,685 when the unemployment rate was 7.5 percent.

For Madison County, the 8.3 percent translates into 584 jobless persons out of a labor force of 7,068, compared with 616 jobless persons out of a labor force of 6,535 in September, when the rate was 8.6 percent.

In October 2012, the comparable figures were 707 jobless per-

sons out of a labor force of 7,296, when the unemployment rate was 9.7 percent.

The industry gaining the most jobs continued to be trade, transportation and utilities, up 56,300 jobs; followed by leisure and hospitality, up 39,500 jobs; professional and business services, up 38,500; construction, up 26,600 jobs; private education and health services, up 15,100 jobs; financial activities, up 9,000 jobs; other services, up 3,000 jobs; information, up 2,800 jobs; and manufacturing, up 400 jobs.

The only industries continuing to lose jobs over the year was total government, down 9,000 jobs.

Monroe County continued to have the state's lowest unemployment rate at 3.8 percent, followed by Walton County at 3.9 percent; Okaloosa County at 4.4 percent; Alachua County at 4.7 percent; and St. Johns counties at 4.9 percent.

Hendry County continued to have the state's highest unemployment rate at 12.0 percent, followed by Flagler County at 9.4 percent; St. Lucie County at 8.8 percent; Putnam County at 8.6 percent; and Miami-Dade County at 8.5 percent.

Hendry County was the only county to have double-digit unemployment in both September and October.



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Painting Left At Thrift Store Worth Up To \$14,300

In St. Johns, Newfoundland, a painting donated to a local thrift store appears to be an authentic John Lyman valued between \$6,600 and \$14,300. Elizabeth Scammell-Reynolds, an art expert and appraiser, said an employee of the Value Village thrift store who suspected the painting could be valuable contacted her. Reynolds said the painting appears to be an authentic oil painting of a landscape by U.S. born Canadian modernist painter John Lyman, who died in 1967. Value Village said valuable items like the painting are kept for a time before being sold, in case the former owner comes forward and says the donation was a mistake.

Third Grader Suspended For Snorting Smarties

In Newton County, Ga., a nine-year-old was suspended from Porterdale Elementary School for crushing up Smarties candies and snorting them. Third grader, Demetri Santiago, was sent home with a two-day suspension after being caught by a teacher "sniffing a powdery substance." Chelsi Lewis, Demetri's mother, said he told her that he had watched a student in class crush up the candy and inhale it. He said the girl's reaction of "wooo!" was what made him want to try it. Newton County School System spokesperson Sherri Davis-Viniard released this statement about the matter: "This matter is currently under investigation. The health, safety and well being of our students are all very important to us. This activity has the potential to be very dangerous for children, and parents need to be aware of the possible health risks. While we cannot release individual student discipline information due to federal privacy laws, those involved have been disciplined accordingly."

\$100,000 Found In River Remains Unclaimed

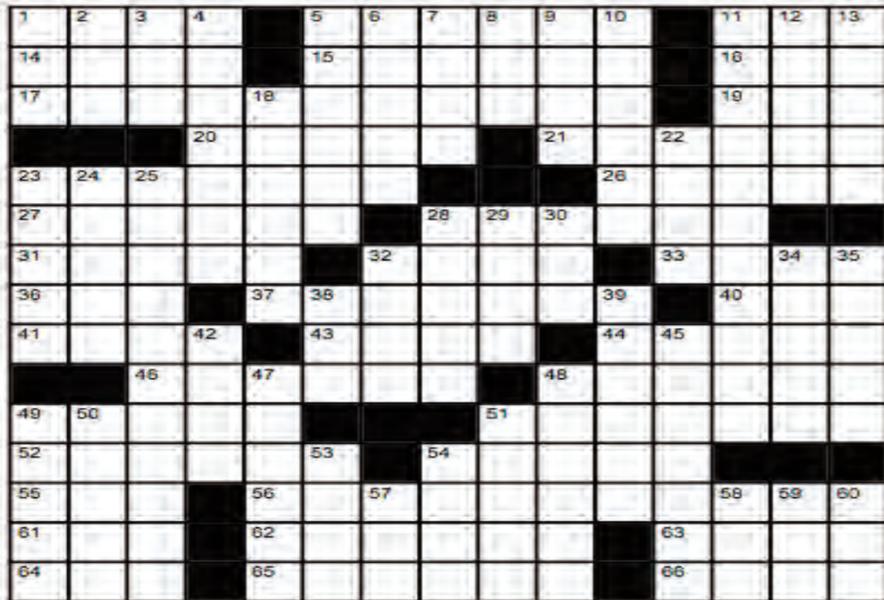
In Spalding, England, nearly \$100,000 found a month ago in an English river has yet to be claimed. The money, found by a dog walker, was in the South Drive drain near Spalding. Police Detective Constable Steve Hull said, "It isn't everyday that an amount of money like this is found and somebody must have information that will help the police trace the lawful owner. I would be grateful to hear from people who have genuine information to pass on to me." The Bank of England is prepared to inspect the money and help the police department investigate where the money came from. If the owner can't be found, the money will become the subject of a further court forfeiture order.

CROSSWORDS

"Fore for Four"

Across

1. They're often covered with baby food
5. "The Human Comedy" author
11. Sporty British car, for short
14. Lazing about
15. "My Favorite Year" star Peter
16. Cousin of org, com, and net
17. "Rebel Without a Cause" actress
19. Fish eggs
20. Eliot's "___ Marner"
21. 1984 World Series champs
23. "Ms." founder Gloria
26. John, Paul, George, and Ringo
27. Route to the roof
28. In need of calories



31. Sigourney Weaver flick
32. Not too shabby
33. Latvia's capital
36. Get benched
37. Oklahomans
40. Sought office
41. Sarcastic laugh
43. Barney's buddy
44. Rainbow or lake, e.g.
46. Made shine
48. Medal metal
49. Underworld figure
51. Doesn't just brush
52. What some graduate with
54. Bias
55. Billy Joel's "Don't ___ Me Why"
56. "Clue" suspect

61. Forego folding
62. Relaxed, on base
63. Goad
64. Blow it
65. Decades, to centuries
66. Kitty comment

Down

1. Recycling container
2. Ore. neighbor
3. Diner order
4. Coast
5. Big water heater
6. 2010 action movie, with "The"
7. Meteorologist's predictions
8. Lion's home, maybe
9. Bunches
10. Giving up

11. Best Actor of 1990
12. Love to pieces
13. Shot in the dark
18. Content of some closets
22. Teri of "Young Frankenstein"
23. Cut drastically, as prices
24. Shire of "The Godfather" movies
25. Archie's mate
28. Gave an edge to
29. "Previously owned," in ad-speak
30. Neither here ___ there
32. Achy
34. Bandage material
35. Primes the pot
38. Not working

39. Pungent
42. Wheels
45. Speaker's platform
47. Prepare a disk for data
48. Turns the music way up
49. Step
50. Unfortunate fellow
51. ___ and blood (kin)
53. Spot
54. "ER" command
57. D.C. figure
58. Before
59. This may be inflated
60. Improved partner

Obituaries

SUSAN ELIZABETH HASTINGS

Susan Elizabeth Hastings, beloved wife of William Hastings and grandmother of Cydney Brook and Jordan Alexandra Hastings, passed away Thursday, November 21st, 2013. She was preceded in death by her father, Allen T. Sheats and her daughter, Angela Susanne Hastings. Susan is survived by her husband and granddaughters as well as four brothers: Mark A Sheats (Mary); Charles D. Sheats (Ginny); Timothy C. Sheats (Melody); Philip L. Sheats (Desiree), and two younger sisters: Mary Ellen Hunsberger (Willis) and Jenise L. Moore (Owen). Her mother, Barbara I. (Bray) Sheats lives with Philip and his family. Susan was employed with Premier Construction and was president of NAWIC (National Association of Women in Construction) before her passing. She was a loving, caring wife, daughter, sister, and friend. An active Christian and always available to help when needed: Girl Scouts, 4-H Extension, and her church.

There are many nieces, nephews, cousins, co-workers and friends who will miss her love and fellowship.



NANCY RAINEY TURNER

Nancy Rainey Turner, 79, of Tallahassee, passed away peacefully on November 18, 2013. She was born on January 7, 1934 in Jacksonville and resided in Monticello.

Her parents were L.R. and Gwendolyn Rainey. She attended William and Mary College in Virginia and Florida State University. She was an elementary school teacher in Pensacola and Monticello. She quit teaching to take care of her three children.

She was of the Methodist faith and a devout Christian. She lived in California for 35 years before returning to her native Florida to be with her family.

Mrs. Turner was preceded in death by her parents, L.R. and Gwendolyn Rainey and her middle son, Michael A. Turner.

She is survived by her oldest son, Donald Turner (Cherie) and grandson, Jarrod Turner of Monticello, and one daughter, Elizabeth Bookout and a granddaughter, Meghann Bookout of Crawfordville, a daughter-in-law, Marissa Turner, and a grandson, Horace Turner of Cagayan de Oro, Philippines, the widow and son of Michael A. Turner. She is also survived by an older sister, Jane Rissman (Sandy) of Pembroke Pines, and two nephews and a niece.

Visitation was held on Friday, November 22, at Culley's Funeral Home. Funeral Services were held Saturday, November 23, at Culley's Funeral Home at 1737 Riggins Road, Tallahassee.

Interment followed the funeral service at Rose-land Cemetery Monticello.

SHERITA ANN CHESHIRE

Sherita Ann Cheshire, 34, passed away at her home on Saturday, November 23, 2013.

Sherita was born January 22, 1979, in Tallahassee, to Ellis Arnold, and Peggy Bozeman Cheshire. She graduated from North Florida Christian in 1997 and received her Medical Assistant Degree from TCC. She was a member of First Baptist Church of Lloyd. Sherita will be remembered for her love of singing, caring spirit, and laughter.

Sherita is survived by her father, Ellis Cheshire; stepmother, Carolyn Cheshire, both of Monticello; brother, Everett Cheshire (Lisa), and beloved niece and nephew, Ashley and Elliott Cheshire, of Crawfordville; stepbrother, Michael Bentley, and step-sister, Brenda Brown, of Monticello; her fiancé, John Yates, of Monticello; and numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins.

She is preceded in death by her mother, Peggy Cheshire; her grandparents, Ben and Maggie Cheshire, and Roy and Pauline Bozeman.

Family received friends from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, November 26, 2013, at Beggs Funeral Home, Apalachee Parkway Chapel, 3322 Apalachee Parkway, Tallahassee, FL, 32311. A private service will be held for the family, with a Memorial Service to follow for family and friends at 11:00 a.m., Saturday, December 7, 2013, at First Baptist Church of Lloyd.

AROUND JEFFERSON COUNTY

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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November 28
Community Thanksgiving Dinner will be held on Thanksgiving Day, November 28 at the First United Methodist Church in the Family Ministry Center, located at 390 West Walnut Street in downtown Monticello. Volunteers will begin serving at 11:15 a.m. and will continue until 1:30 p.m. If you'd like to help by volunteering your time and talents, or support this effort financially, contact the FUMC at 997-5545 or call coordinator Dean Jerger at 850-510-7666 to find out just where you will fit in. Don't let anything keep you from this meal of Thanksgiving. This is not a church event; it is a time for the community to come together to feast and fellowship. Donations will gladly be accepted.

November 28
AA meeting 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.

November 29
Monticello Jamboree Band will perform music for dancing every Friday at 7 p.m. at 625 South Water Street. Everyone is welcome to come dance, listen to some of the finest music, enjoy door-prizes, soft drinks, snacks, and just enjoy some fun and camaraderie with neighbors and friends. This is a nonprofit charitable event; donations are ac-

cepted. For questions or concerns, contact Curtis Morgan at 850-933-8136 or Bobby Connell at 850-445-0049.

November 30
Jefferson County Branch of the NAACP will meet at noon on the last Saturday at the MLK Center. Contact Charles Parrish at 850-997-3760 for more information.

December 1
VFW Post 251 will meet 5 p.m. on the first Sunday at the Learning Center on Marvin Street for a meeting. Contact Ned Hill at 850-339-5524 for more information.

December 2
VFW Ladies Auxiliary Post 251 will meet at 6:30 p.m. on the first Monday at Memorial MB Church. Contact President Mary Madison at 850-210-7090 for more information.

December 2
MainStreet of Monticello Florida Board meetings are held at 5 p.m. on the first Monday at the Cherry Street Commons on South Cherry Street. For more information about the third Monday Main Street Speaker Series contact Anne Holt at 850-997-5110 or aholt@aholt.com Come to hear about updates and projects that MainStreet has been working on.

December 3, 17
Jefferson County Lions Club will meet at 1 p.m. on the first and third Tuesday at the Brick House Eatery, in the community room for a program and business

meeting. For more information about this organization and its fundraising efforts, contact Lion Debbie at 850-997-0901.

December 3
Monticello Woman's Club meets at noon on the first Tuesday at the clubhouse on East Pearl Street for lunch and a meeting. Contact Club President Ethel Strickland at 850-997-3382 for more information. The Monticello Woman's Club will hold its annual Christmas Auction this month with a wide variety of hand-made gift items for the auction, maybe even a few fresh baked goods! The cost of this luncheon to guests is free. The public is invited to attend this event. What a great opportunity to purchase those hard to get Christmas presents! Holiday Cakes will be for sale at this time, made with the freshest of ingredients; cherries, pineapple, butter, flour, sugar, eggs and locally grown pecans. The members will also have a booth setup downtown during the MainStreet Christmas event on Friday evening, December 6 and at the Christmas on Pearl Street Tour on Saturday evening, December 7. Come in from the cold to enjoy hot cider, coffee, cookies, and other sweet treats.

The ladies will also hold a 'Yard Sale' fundraiser on Saturday, December 14 at the clubhouse. They will also be selling hot dogs and soft drinks.

Remember Big Bend Hospices' Tree Of Remembrance This Holiday Season

Since 1993, Big Bend Hospice's Tree of Remembrance has been a special holiday tradition which allows people in the community to honor their loved ones and help Big Bend Hospice raise

money for patient care. A gift to the Tree of Remembrance provides a wonderful alternative to traditional holiday gifts. The Tree provides a time to remember and celebrate the lives of those we love. It also helps Big Bend Hospice provide care, comfort and hope to those who are dying.

This year, in addition to the traditional three levels of giving; angels (\$50), bells (\$25) and bows (\$10); patrons who make a donation of \$250 or more will receive a limited edition Wedgewood ornament, along with a beautiful ornament of their choosing placed on a Tree of Remembrance in the county and location they specify.

Big Bend Hospice has been serving this community since 1983 with compassionate end of life care along with grief and loss counselors available to provide information and support to anyone in Leon, Jefferson, Taylor, Madison, Gadsden, Liberty, Franklin or Wakulla County. If you would like additional information about services, please call 850-878-5310 or visit www.bigbendhospice.org.

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God's Country Live Concert



The Encore Band will be performing at this years God's Country Live Concert in Perry.

DEBBIE SNAPP
ECB Publishing
Staff Writer

Let's get ready for Josh Noland's 7th Annual God's Country Live Concert beginning at 6:30 p.m. on Sunday, December 1 at the First Perry Church of God, located at 1915 North US Highway 221, in

Perry. The evening will feature live country gospel and southern gospel music by The Encore Band, with the Purvis Brothers, along with Larry Bullock and Wayne Martin, Josh Noland, with Rick Knowles, Rebecca Rigdon, Ben Reed, John

Poliskey, Dub Cruce, John H. Andrews, and Dylan Wilson.

There is no admission fee, but a love offering will be taken up for the Madison Boys and Girls Ranch.

For more information and directions contact the church office at 850-584-7992.

MVFD Presents Trucks to City Council



Left to Right: MVFD Assistant Chief, Mike Long; then Mayor, Idella Scott; MVFD Chief Lester Lawrence. Scott has since been suspended from office.

AMBER HOUSTON
ECB Publishing
Staff Writer

At the City Council Meeting on November 5, the Monticello Volunteer Fire Department presented their two new fire engines.

The engines were donations from the Panama City Fire Department and Canaveral Fire Rescue. While they are old, the pair is ideal for the department.

The Panama City engine is a 1982 Spartan Jaco. It was custom-built for Panama City, but is seemingly tailor-made for Monticello. "That engine features a monitor, scene lights, seven discharges, and a hydrant hook-up," Assistant Chief Mike Long said. "It will allow us to fight second-story structural fires from the ground, hook up to the City's hydrants, and run multiple hoses."

"The Cape Canaveral engine is a 1978 International, with the pump manufactured by Pierce. It was completely overhauled in 1991, besides a couple things, so it might as well be a 1991. It features a 1000 gallon reservoir, a two-stage pump, and a 1000 gallon per minute pumping capacity," said Chief Lester Lawrence. "It will be ideal for providing assistance to county departments because of all those things."

According to Long, both donations represented a value of almost \$100,000.

Firefighting equipment has to be reliable enough never to fail when it is needed and durable enough to withstand extreme conditions. It is also a specialty market, in that the trucks do not have a purpose other than firefighting, and repurposing options after an engine's retirement are limited. Because of these matters, equipment is expensive, both to obtain and maintain. For a well-funded station to spend over \$400,000 on a new engine is not uncommon. But for a small volunteer station, getting two new-to-them engines in a couple

months is a dream come true.

While some may favor newer equipment for the City's volunteer fire department, those savings and features speak for themselves. Said Long, "these engines were free, and are perfectly functional and safe—who could ask for more out of an engine?"

And "functional and safe" is just what the city requires of its volunteer firefighters. The 14 members answer calls day and night from fires to medical emergencies, traffic accidents, and more. They answer calls within the city and provide assistance to the Jefferson County Fire Rescue, among other organizations.

THANK YOU BBH!



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Thanks again to Big Bend Hospice for the tray of sweets and goodies you brought to us recently. The Monticello News staff enjoyed all of it! Pictured from right to left are: Barbara Moody, BBH; Debbie Snapp, Monticello News; Polly Brown, BBH; Barbara Culbreath, BBH; and Michele Brantley, BBH.

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Sunday School.....9:45 AM
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Choir Practice.....5:00 PM
Worship Service.....6:00 PM
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Fellowship Meal.....6:30 PM
Prayer Meeting/Bible Study.....7:00 PM

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Prayer Meeting/Bible Study.....7:00 PM

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Sunday School.....10:00 AM
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Wednesday Evenings
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Bible Study.....7:00 P.M.

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Student Pastor, Don Self

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Sunday Bible Study.....9:45 AM
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
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CHURCH NEWS NOTES

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November 29
Nazarene Church Family Skate Night is held from 6 to 8 p.m. on the last Friday evening of every month. Light snacks and soft drinks available. For more information, contact Rev. Clay Stephens, pastor, at 850-528-5451.

November 29
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.

November 30
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.

November 30
Jefferson County Union Number One will host an 'After-Thanksgiving Seafood Feast' on Saturday at the Monticello Opera House beginning at 1 p.m. This is an opportunity of giving back into the community especially during this season of Thanksgiving. Plan to dine-in or take-out. Come share good food and good fellowship with good friends and neighbors. For more information contact Rev. Charles G. Smith at 850-345-8623 or

Rev. James Mack at 850-997-8747. This is a FREE event.

December 1
Transforming Life Church will host The Walkers on Sunday at 10:30 a.m. If you love good Gospel Music, then you do not want to miss this nationally known Gospel group. Come out and experience the music and the ministry. TLC is located in the Lloyd area at 1206 Springfield Road (just off Gamble Road/HWY 59). You can call for directions at 850-997-8527 or transforminglifechurch.com for more information.

December 4, 18
First Presbyterian Church will host EaglesWings, a ministry of outreach, serving the community on the first and third Wednesday of each month from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Volunteers are always 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 850-997-1084, eaglewingsmonticello@yahoo.com or www.firstpresbyterianmonticello.org.

December 6-7
First United Methodist Church will host Bethlehem in Monticello on Friday and Saturday night from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. This is a wonderful ministry and a gift to the community. To help, contact Billie McClellan at 850-997-4741.

In 1938 three German scientists working in a laboratory in Berlin made a discovery that altered the course of history: They split the uranium atom. The fear among scientists was that Adolf Hitler would create a mega-bomb and use it against Europe. This was significant enough, but what followed truly changed the world.

A year later, just before the beginning of World War 2, Albert Einstein and Leo Szilard wrote to President Franklin D. Roosevelt, informing him of these developments in Berlin. The letter urged the President to prepare for this possible, if not unavoidable outcome.

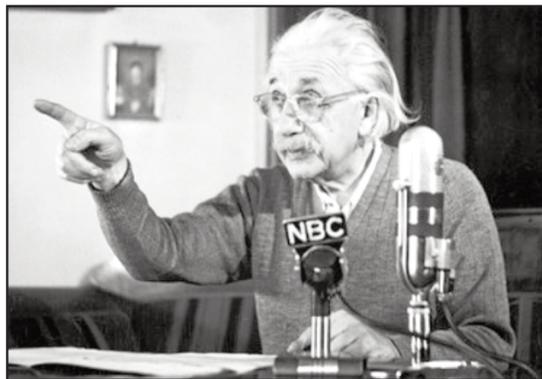
The United States began the serious un-



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dertaking known then only as "The Manhattan Project." Simply put, this Project was committed to expediting the production of a viable atomic bomb. That bomb was, of course, successfully produced and then dropped on cities in Japan. Einstein, upon hearing the news of the Hiroshima bombing, was reported

threat for the rest of our lives. The Hebrew proverb says, "There is a path before each person that seems right, but it ends in death." Eugene Peterson's rendering is even more forceful. He translates the proverb: "There's a way of life that looks harmless enough; look again - it leads straight to hell."

We can never undo or unlearn so many of the dangerous technologies that now fill our world. As Robert Oppenheimer quipped about the scientists who had worked on the Manhattan Project, "[They] have known sin; and this is a knowledge which they cannot lose." But just because we now have this destructive knowledge, does not mean we are required to employ it or even stockpile it. Just because we now know where "death" is located on the map, does not mean that is our final destination. We can turn around.

The biblical word for this type of "turning around" is the word "repent." Those of us raised in the revivalistic tradition have other pic-

tures in our mind when it comes to the word, "repent." As I heard Bill Leonard say, "Some of us were saved hard, sweating like we had been to hell that morning and come back to the revival to tell about it that night."

But repentance can be far less emotional and far more practical, for the word "repent" is not a word reserved for private morality, like an angry evangelist preaching at a camp meeting about lying, cheating, stealing, card-playing and smoking. Repentance is about giving up our agenda for living in this world and our plans for the future, and trusting God to bring us a tomorrow. Possessing the most terror-inspiring weapons or thinking that redemptive violence will bring peace to the world is sheer madness. These ideas must be abandoned, certainly by those who follow the one known as the Prince of Peace. No, I'm not so adolescent to think we can idealistically "change our world." But we can begin to change our minds.

Returning to Oppenheimer, after the development and utilization of the first atomic weapons, he quoted from the Hindu text, the Bhagavad-Gita: "Now I am become Death, the destroyer of worlds." But destruction is not mandatory. There is another path, a true and living way; a narrow way of repentance and redirection that leads to life.

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to have dropped his head in his hands and cried, simply, "Woe is me!" Though he never once worked on the production of such a weapon, it was his scientific discoveries and ultimately his words that created this new scenario.

In a later interview with Newsweek magazine, he said, "Had I known that the Germans would not succeed in developing an atomic bomb, I would have done nothing. I would have never [written that letter]." Yet, that one letter has changed all our lives, and possibly the lives of every person on the planet since. Today, there are some 20,000 active nuclear weapons on the planet. All of us, and our children, will live in the shadow of this

Bottles, Buckets, Beds, "Becas," Beans, And Blessings

Bottles, Buckets, Beds, "Becas," Beans, And Blessings ...are some of the things that our ministry partners, many from Jefferson County, Florida, helped Porch de Salomon provide, in Jesus' name, to hundreds of impoverished indigenous people in Guatemala in 2013. Consider:

* Bottles -- special baby bottles, formula, transport and surgery for cleft palate babies like Amarylis

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* Beds—through the in-country labor of volunteers like "Guatemala Joe," and the faithful monthly support of partner churches like you, scores of families now sleep in on a good bed-- most, for the first time in their lives.

* "Becas"—many of our mission partners have been generous in providing school scholarships; these provided the hope of a better life, through education, to children and young people in the 2013 school year (January-October).

* Beans—your support allows us to increase the protein intake of families through our feeding program (\$60 per month per family); beans, eggs, and milk help combat hunger in Guatemala, a country suffering from the world's fourth worst chronic malnutrition rate.

* Blessings—to the people of Guatemala, and back to our 16 short-term teams, their churches and communities (like Monticello,



The bottles and milk Amarylis received helped her achieve the minimum weight required for cleft palate surgery.

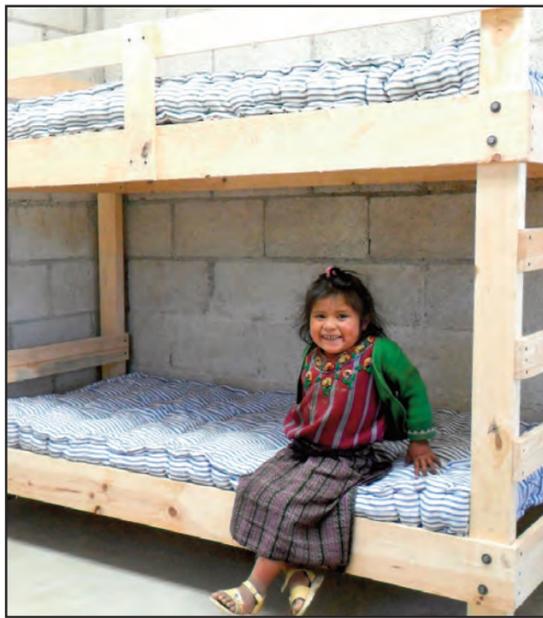


Maria is an indigenous girl who hopes to continue her schooling in 2014 through a Beca scholarship.

We are thankful for our faithful ministry supporters who have resourced Porch de Salomon's work since 2005. We have done our best to be good stewards of these resources and God has allowed both good work and fruit to follow. Gracias; we appreciate all of you!

Please look for year-end giving opportunities in our upcoming December PorchTalk newsletter. Contact us (dlloydmonroe@gmail.com or Rex Ware 850.933.0344) if you'd like to subscribe or have questions or ideas.

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Celia is excited about her new bed and new house in Chipop.

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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

Thursdays
Glory Girls Fitness.....10:00 AM

1st & 3rd Monday
Mighty Monday–Ladies Bible Study.....6:00 PM

1st Wednesday
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Traditional Worship.....11:00 AM

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

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Supper.....5:30 PM
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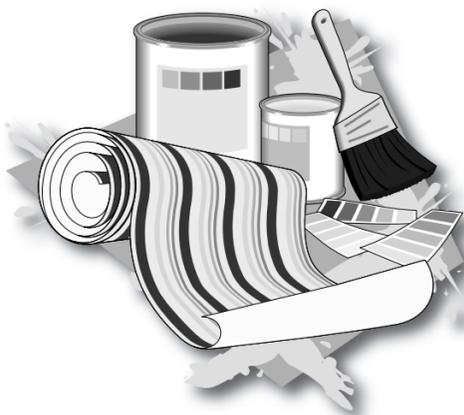
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Allaura Pierce was escorted to the field by her father, Adam and grandfather, Paul Rhea.



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Adam Pierce was escorted to the field by his mother, Paula Pierce, and grandmother, Martha Rhea.



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Kha'Teycia Norton was escorted to the field by her parents Erenn Madison and Kelvin Norton, stepfather Carlos Madison, and younger brother Carlos Madison Jr.



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Shakayla Rooks is the daughter of Richard Rooks, deceased, and Janet Rooks. She was escorted to the field by her mother, and her two brothers, Javarrow and Czedrick Rooks.



Photo by Kathy Lacy
Phidell Lewis was escorted to the field by his father, Spencer Lewis.



Photo by Kathy Lacy
Calvin Footman was escorted to the field by his parents Tame Grady and Amos Footman, and his sister, Gardy AKA Dazz.

FRAN HUNT
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Jefferson honored its seniors Friday night, November 8, at halftime in the game against FAMU DRS.

The first seniors to be recognized were the cheerleaders.

Allaura Pierce was escorted to the field by her parents, Adam and Paula Pierce. She has been a cheerleader for six years, four of which have been for the varsity squad. Other activities at school include Art Club, the Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA), and the Generation Uprising

Youth Group. Her future plans include attending the Art Institute and go into the Disney Scholarship program to learn glass blowing and etching. Her favorite athletic memory was when her sister started cheering with her, she was so excited. They would have fun together doing the sport they love. Her advice for future athletes is, "Work hard, cheer hard, have fun, and don't wear earrings on game days."

Tiger mascot Adam Pierce was escorted to the field by his parents, Adam and Paula Pierce. He has served as the team mascot for three and a half years. Other school

activities include FCA, Art Club, and the Generation Uprising Youth Group. His future plans include going to Lively Technical and becoming a mechanic. His advice for future athletes, "Work hard in school so you can play on the field, and strive to be a student before striving to be an athlete."

Kha'Teycia Norton is the daughter of Erenn Madison and Kelvin Norton. She was escorted to the field by her parents, stepfather Carlos Madison, and younger brother Carlos Madison Jr. She is the captain of the varsity cheerleading squad and has served as a varsity cheerleader for five years. Other school activities include being a member of the Student Government Association (SGA), and treasurer of her senior class. She wishes to attend Florida State University and become a pediatrician. Her favorite athletic memory is cheering at the State Championship game in 2011.

Shakayla Rooks is the daughter of Richard Rooks, deceased, and Janet Rooks. She was escorted to the field by her mother, and her two brothers, Javarrow and Czedrick Rooks. She is the co-captain of the varsity cheerleading squad. She has been a cheerleader for six years, five of which were for the var-

sity squad. Her fondest memory is cheering in the state championship game during her sophomore year. She plans to attend Florida State University and major in psychology, receiving her doctoral. Her advice to future cheerleaders, "Always be prepared to give 100 percent, and not to wear earrings on game days."

The next seniors to be honored were the band members.

Phidell Lewis was escorted to the field by his parents, Spencer and Melvina Lewis. He has played in the band for five years, and has learned to play two instruments. He was the tuba section leader, and also the band vice president during his tenth grade year. His fondest memory is going to play at the Rose Parade in Thomasville during his sixth grade year. He plans to attend Tallahassee Community College and plans to make his first movie while going to college.

Keyvon Deontarius Alexander was escorted to the field by his parents Natayla Hudson and Derrick Alexander. His school activities include band and art. He plays and studies video games, collects and reads comic books, listens to music, draws for a living, making custom T-shirts, and being creative. He plans to go to college and earn his masters degree in graphic arts, game development mechanics, background art, and create



Photo by Kathy Lacy
Tanner Aman was escorted to the field by his parents Kevin and Leah Aman, and his aunt and uncle Jerry and Henery-Etta Boatwright.



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Keyvon Deontarius Alexander was escorted to the field by his mother, Natayla Hudson.

inspiring artworks for people to see.

The senior football players were then recognized.

Calvin Footman is the son of Tame Grady and Amos Footman. He was escorted to the field by his parents, and his sister, Grady AKA Dazz. He has been a varsity football player at Jefferson for two years. His

other high school activities include SGA, FBIA, and ROTC. His fondest memory while playing football is being a rock for his team. After graduation he plans to attend college and major in business so he can obtain his family's business. His advice to future Tiger football players includes, "Drink milk. And also to never quit, no matter what anyone tells you, because you can overcome any obstacle."

Tanner Aman is the son of Kevin and Leah Aman. He was escorted to the field by his parents, and his aunt and uncle Jerry and Henery-Etta Boatwright. He has played varsity football at Jefferson for three years. His fondest memory while playing football was winning the state championship during his sophomore year. After high school he plans to attend college and obtain his masters in business administration. His advice to future JCHS football players, "Always stay dedicated to what you do, even when adversity hits."

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Beware Of Scams This Black Friday

Black Friday Shopping Scams To Watch Our For

Some of the scams to be weary of this year include:

- Many stores are selling items during Black Friday 2013 for the same prices that they sold them for during Black Friday 2012. This might not be a bad deal for those customers that are looking for bath towels, but those purchasing consumer technology should be weary.
- Some retailers sell products that are specifically made for Black Friday. The products, while having cheap price tags, are usually stripped down versions of more expensive products.
- Retailers will also include rebates in the reduced price of an item in ads for Black Friday deals. The Black Friday ads normally note that the item is only sold at that price after getting a rebate, but this is usually printed in small text that is often overlooked by customers.

The Origins Of Black Friday



Today it's everywhere, and everyone who watches a TV or picks up a newspaper in November knows the day after Thanksgiving is "Black Friday." It was born as a negative term, got spun positive, remained little-used for more than a decade and then exploded.

But it wasn't always so. And the name's origins - the accepted story is that the one-day shopping blowout puts stores "in the black" profit-wise for the year aren't what most people think.

Just ask Bonnie Taylor-Blake, neuroscience researcher at the University of North Carolina, amateur word sleuth and the American Dialect Society's foremost authority on "Black Friday" etymology.

Her judgment, delivered in an exchange of emails on the subject: "I think it's time to put the 'black ink' explanation to bed."

In fact, Taylor-Blake's research suggests, the "Black Friday" tag originated with police in Philadelphia, who each year faced massive headaches as fans in town for the Army-Navy football game combined with swarms of holiday shoppers to create a traffic-clogging mess.

Using the Google Books search feature, Taylor-Blake tracked down an article in a 1961 newsletter with the earliest known published reference to the shopping day after Thanksgiving as Black Friday. The article described the situation in Philadelphia and how merchants were wrestling with what they regarded as a public-relations problem.

They tried to rechristen the day "Big Friday" but it didn't work. Even in 1985, a Philadelphia Inquirer story shows, retailers in eastern Pennsylvania were still bemoaning the Black Friday label they were stuck with.

"We hate it," one Philadelphia merchant was quoted as saying. Retailers elsewhere in the country, meanwhile, had never heard of the term.

But as the name spread outward from Pennsylvania, the industry increasingly embraced it, and it came to be linked to profit, not problems.

The media, though, used the term relatively seldom throughout the '90s and during the first few years of the last decade. It wasn't until 2004-'05 that adoption of the name hit critical mass, searches on a database of news outlets indicate.

In a sample of 20 big-city newspapers in the Midwest, South and West, for example, "Black Friday" popped up in only about 20 articles in 2002 discussing post-Thanksgiving shopping. The count last year from the same sample: About 350 articles.

All told, there has been a "remarkable surge in 'Black Friday' sightings across the country in the past 10 years," Taylor-Blake said.

"It wasn't really until just a few years ago that most Americans became aware of the expression," she said.

Also spurring use of the name has been a general increase in shopping and in the marketing that accompanies it, said Grant Barrett, co-host of the nationwide public radio show "A Way with Words."

And trampling incidents, particularly the 2008 death of a Long Island Walmart worker stamped by frenzied bargain hunters, probably have helped seal the day as "Black Friday."

Now, with retailers increasingly pushing their "doorbuster" bargain hours into Thanksgiving Day itself, Black Friday is spawning an offspring.

It's merely a marketing and media phrase for the moment, but with time, perhaps, American families will gather around the table for turkey and stuffing on the biggest feast of the year - Black Thursday.

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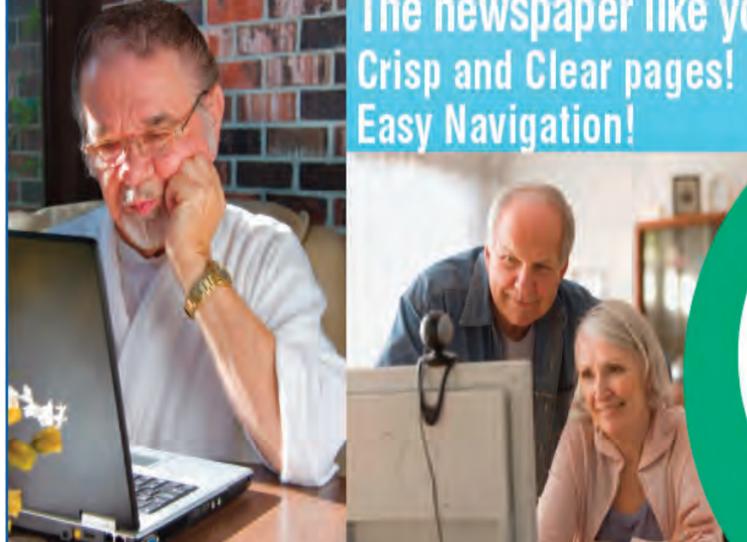
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Retailers Get Early Start On The Holidays

Merchants are hoping to boost profits this year by getting a head start on the holiday shopping season. Retailers already have visions of profits dancing in their heads.

Kmart aired its first holiday ad last week, starring a gingerbread man touting the store's layaway program. Wal-Mart and Toys R Us have publicized lists of their hot holiday toys.

Grocery stores are adding tech features to stay competitive and retailers are starting the holiday season earlier than ever to lure elusive shoppers. The holiday shopping season accounts for roughly 20% of all annual retail activity, and last year's was only lukewarm.

Since then, merchants have been bedeviled by waffling consumer confidence - a product of economic pressure from fleeting jobs, higher payroll taxes and expensive gasoline - and a persistent frugality inherited from the recession.

A report Tuesday from analytics firm ShopperTrak predicts that visits to stores will decrease 1.4% year over year this holiday season, although sales will rise 2.4%.

"Nobody can afford

to procrastinate," said Bill Martin, ShopperTrak's founder.

This year, there are only 25 days between Christmas and Black Friday on Nov. 29 - the day when many retailers have historically used door-buster deals to kick off the holiday shopping season. Last year, the period was 32 days long. There were five full weekends to buy presents, instead of the four weekends available this year.

Retailers are hoping to boost their numbers by getting a head start on the season, which last year brought in \$579.8 billion in revenue. Some 41.4% of shoppers last year said they planned to start their holiday shopping in October or earlier, compared with 38.9% in 2012, according to the National Retail Federation.

Importers were busy in July and August, bringing in 1.5% more cargo containers full of goods than in the same two months last year, according to Zepol Corp., a firm that tracks import and export data. The increase hints at a more active holiday shopping season to come, the company said.

Costco warehouses are already stocking Christmas decorations

and artificial trees. The West Elm home decor chain has unveiled its holiday collection.

Kmart last week started promoting its free Christmas layaway program, available in stores and online with no minimum purchase requirement. A graphic on the company's Facebook page urges fans to be "Kmart smart" by "setting your holiday budget in September ... and sticking to it."

But some consumers resent the presence of Christmas advertising in September, echoing sentiments voiced last year when retailers began opening their doors to Black Friday shoppers while Thanksgiving dinner was still on the table.

"What happened to Halloween and Thanksgiving?" wrote Facebook user Crystal Salas-Dziadowicz on Kmart's profile. "Stop with the Christmas commercials already!" Others cheered the reminder.

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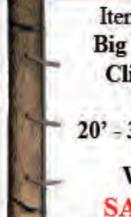
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**JEFFERSON COUNTY, FLORIDA
REVISED NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
TO CONSIDER REDISTRICTING
OF BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONER ELECTION DISTRICTS**

The Board of County Commissioners (the "Board") of Jefferson County, Florida (the "County") will hold a public hearing to consider revising the boundaries of the election districts for the five members of the Board of County Commissioners. The public hearing will be held at **6 p.m. on Tuesday, December 3, 2013**, or as soon thereafter as can be heard, in the Courthouse Annex at 435 West Walnut Street, Monticello, Florida 32344. All interested parties, citizens of the County and anyone else may attend the public hearing and be heard.

Florida law provides that after each census, the County must fix the boundaries of the board member election districts to keep them as nearly equal in proportion to population as possible, with any changes made to the boundaries of such districts occurring only in odd-numbered years. At the conclusion of the December 3rd public hearing, the Board will consider a resolution approving a map describing the boundaries of the voting districts. Copies of all district maps under consideration by the Board are available for inspection at the Jefferson County Courthouse, 1 Courthouse Circle, Monticello, Florida 32344.

If any person decides to seek review of any official decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered, a record of the proceedings will be required and the person intending to appeal will need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, including the testimony and evidence necessary for the appeal. Any person requiring special accommodations at this meeting because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the Clerk of Circuit Court at (850) 342-0218 or via e-mail at kreams@jeffersonclerk.com prior to the meeting.

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LEGAL NOTICE

The Jefferson County Planning Commission will hold its regular monthly meeting on December 12, 2013 at 7:00 pm. The meeting will consist of a Public Hearing and General Business.

The meetings will be held in the Courthouse Annex located at 435 West Walnut Street in Monticello, FL. The meeting may be continued as necessary.

Information concerning the meeting is available at the Jefferson County Planning Department, 445 W. Palmer Mill Road, Monticello, FL. 32344, Telephone 850-342-0223. 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.

11/27/2013

Notice of Public Hearing

Smartlink, LLC for AT&T Mobility and Nevada Lin Trust have made an application for a proposed major development site plan review for the placement of a 195 foot Multi-tenant Monopole Tower. The proposed site is located on parcel # 01-1N-5E-0000-0040-0000 at 5907 East Washington Hwy.

If you have any comments concerning the proposed Major Development, please provide them to the Jefferson County Planning Office at the above address. You may also present your concerns about the project to the Jefferson County Planning Commission when they will review and make their decision. The Planning Commission meeting on this project is scheduled for December 12, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the Jefferson County Courthouse Annex located at 435 West Walnut St. in Monticello, Florida.

Prior to the meeting interested persons may contact the Jefferson County Planning Department at 850-342-0223 or write the Department at 445 West Palmer Mill Road, Monticello, FL 32344 and provide comments. The development proposal may be reviewed during business hours at the Department office.

11/27/2013

**AMBER HOUSTON
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Staff Writer**

Soft-spoken, sensitive, and intelligent, Brian Powell is not the "rough and tumble" sort of person I have come to expect from the volunteers in training. It is late at night and we're at the fire station with Assistant Chief Mike Long, going over the Wildland Fire S-130 course. Brian is a busy man and the timing couldn't be worse: he's in nursing school and the Wildland course conflicts with finals. We're going over a practice test.

I'm all in. I answer quickly, impulsively, and loudly. When Powell disagrees with me he does so with a quiet voice, but a firm resolve. And he's always right. Long casts side-long grins at me. For his part, Powell does not boast. I don't think he's built that way.

He started off with the goal of going to college to become a paid firefighter. However, his emergency medical

classes proved to have a considerable draw for him, especially as he realized the crisis of paid firefighters. "There are no jobs," Powell said. "But I loved the medical aspect of it, so I decided to switch career paths just a little and go for nursing school."

So what about firefighting? "I still liked the people and the purpose," he said. "And I still wanted to help, so I decided not to be paid." That is how, in the middle of nursing school Powell found himself also in the middle of 216 hours of vigorous physical training to become a volunteer firefighter. When he completes his training, he will serve the Monticello Volunteer Fire Department.

But despite how hectic the training has been, Powell does not regret a moment of it. He said, "I loved the sense of camaraderie among the volunteers—trained and untrained, Jefferson County and Leon County alike. I loved the hands-on



Brian Powell, 32, one of the four Jefferson County Volunteer Firefighters in Training. He will serve the Monticello Volunteer Fire Department when he completes his training in late December.

parts of training—I'm a hands-on kind of guy. And I really liked the search and rescue training. Come to think of it, I can't really find anything I didn't like. "[My instructor] Mike Long is very knowledgeable. He is a great leader: he's enthusiastic, he loves to teach. He's excellent all around." In his spare time—"which I haven't had in a long time," Powell confessed—he likes to go kayaking and fishing. His favorite fishing is saltwater fishing where he goes after "redfish, trout, and basically anything that bites," Powell said with a grin.

Financial Focus...

Sharing Your "Bounty" Can Be Rewarding

Thanksgiving is almost here. If you have the financial resources to provide a comfortable life for your family, you have reason to be thankful. And if you can afford to share some of your "bounty" with charitable organizations, you may want to be as generous as possible — because your gifts may allow you to both give and receive.

By donating cash or other financial assets, such as stocks, to a qualified charity (either a religious group or a group that has received 501(c)(3) status from the IRS), you help benefit an organization whose work you believe in — and, at the same time, you can receive valuable tax benefits.

To illustrate: If you give \$100 to a qualified charity, and you're in the 25% tax bracket, you can deduct \$100, with a tax benefit of \$25, when you file your 2013 taxes. Therefore, the real "cost" of your donation is just \$75 (\$100 minus the \$25 tax savings). Furthermore, if you donate certain types of non-cash assets, you may be able to receive additional tax benefits. Suppose you give \$1,000 worth of stock to a charitable group. If you're in the 25% bracket, you'll be able to deduct \$250 when you file your taxes. And by donating the stock, you can avoid paying the capital gains taxes that would be due if you had eventually sold the stock yourself.

To claim a charitable deduction, you have to be able to itemize deductions on your taxes. Charitable gifting can get more complex if you choose to integrate your charitable giving with your estate plans to help you reduce your taxable estate. The estate tax is consistently debated in Congress, and the exemption level has fluctuated in recent years, so it's not easy to predict if you could eventually subject your heirs to these taxes. Nonetheless, you can still work with your tax and legal advisors now to take steps to reduce any possible estate tax burden in the years ahead.

One such step might involve establishing a charitable remainder trust. Under this arrangement, you'd place some assets, such as appreciated stocks or real estate, in a trust, which could then use these assets to pay you a lifetime income stream. When you establish the trust, you may be able to receive a tax deduction based on the charitable group's "remainder interest" — the amount the charity is likely to ultimately receive. (This figure is determined by an IRS formula.) Upon your death, the trust would relinquish the remaining assets to the charitable organization you've named. Keep in mind, though, that this type of trust can be complex. To establish one, you'll need to work with your tax and legal advisors.

Of course, you can also choose to provide your loved ones with monetary gifts while you're still alive. You can give up to \$14,000 per year, per individual, to as many people as you choose without incurring the gift tax. For example, if you have three children, you could give them a cumulative \$42,000 in a single year — and so could your spouse.

Thanksgiving is a fine time to show your generosity. And, as we've seen, being generous can be rewarding — for your recipients and yourself.

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United Way Meeting December 12

United Way of the Big Bend is undergoing a strategic planning process to ensure that the agency delivers the greatest possible return for the monies that are invested by organizations and citizens across the Big Bend. "It is important to us that as we undertake this process, we engage our stakeholders about your aspirations and concerns," says Campaign Associate Megan Picht.



that we, as a community, can begin to address collectively."

"We would very much like for you to join us for a conversation in Jefferson County. This conversation will be held on Thursday, December 12, from 6 to 7 p.m. in the First United Methodist Church Youth Room, at 325 Walnut Street."

To confirm your attendance, email Picht at megan@uwbb.org or call 850-488-8342 or 850-694-2760. If you are unable to attend, consider sending a representative from your organization. Feel free to extend this invitation to others.

"To get us moving down this path, we are hosting a series of conversations with a variety of stakeholder groups to discuss and identify local issues

Rotary Updated On Hospice House



Nigel Allen, executive director of the Big Bend Hospice Foundation, delivered an update on the Hospice House expansion to accommodate a wider variety of needs. Allen also shared some interesting statistics about end of life choices. Rotary's Motto is 'Service Above Self', if you would like to learn more about Rotary contact Rotary President Angela Gray at angelagray@yahoo.com. Pictured from left to right are: Nigel Allen and Angela Gray at the Friday, November 8 meeting.

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AROUND JEFFERSON COUNTY

"On Watch"



Best friends Kiley Brown and Lucy are inseparable. Here, Lucy is on watch as little Kiley sleeps.

Monticello Mainstreet Plans Christmas Celebration

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Monticello Mainstreet has planned its Christmas Celebration, and invites the public to attend.

The event will be from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. on December 6 and 7. Vendors will be out and about as early as 2 p.m. both days. Everyone is invited to come browse vendors and join the festivities.

Festivities include carolers, an actress reciting The Night Before Christmas, vendors, a Best Window in Town contest, an Ugly Holiday Sweater contest, bounce houses for the kids, and (of

course) Santa. As ever, the Monticello Volunteer Fire Department (MVFD) has been in contact with the North Pole and has arranged to bring Santa in for the kids to visit. A professional photographer will be on hand for Santa photos.

The Monticello Woman's Club has been baking up a storm in preparation for the

event, making their famous fruitcakes. Said Mainstreet representative Ann Holt, "These aren't those fruitcakes you use as a door stopper—these are truly delicious. They sell well every year because those women are such gifted bakers."

The MVFD will have a truck for the kids to explore and will be selling smoked Boston butts. Various other civic and non-profit organizations will be in attendance, and various area churches and volunteers will provide carolers.

If you are interested in volunteering as a caroler or in general, contact Ann Holt at (850) 576-0721.

Pictures from the PAST

A 1961 picture of local resident and retired Army Clerk Instructor, Ed Vollertsen. Below is a picture of Ed today.



Meet Your Neighbor Don Howarth

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Don Howarth is a long-time local resident and a retired teacher.

He taught Special Education most of his career and holds two Master's degrees from Florida State University in Special Education and in History. He has taught in Jacksonville, Perry, and Tallahassee.

"I spent most of my teaching career at SAIL in Tallahassee. I've taught in many schools and under many principals but SAIL was the only one that represented real teaching. The principal entrusted me with a job, trusted that I could do that job, and told me to come to her if I needed any help."

He taught Special Education there as well as social studies—more specifically World History and Mythology. "I



traveling, bicycling, and bragging about his two daughters and two grandkids. "My eldest daughter is a full time mom that is taking two classes and has a part-time job—yeah, wow. She's amazing. My youngest is a radiology technician in Tallahassee."

He currently only has three dogs, but having raised girls (as many parents may know) he had a bit of everything as the girls were growing up. "We had snakes and horses, cats, dogs, gerbils—everything you could imagine. Now, I am trying to pare down my responsibilities. I guess it comes from being a teacher—I was responsible for so many children. There are so many roles you play in life—as a father, a husband, a teacher—that come with responsibilities. Now, I'm just trying to be responsible for myself and enjoy life."

Howarth is now retired and enjoys gardening, reading,

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