

It's Time For Santa Letters

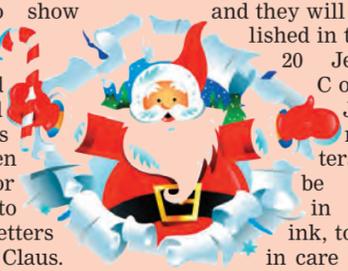
Santa's making a list and he's checking it twice. It's that time of year to show Santa who the good girls and boys have been and for whom to write letters to Santa Claus.

ECB Publishing, Inc. can save children the cost of postage to send letters to the North Pole. Children can instead send their letters to ECB Publishing, which will publish the letters in the newspaper. Santa will get a copy, so

he can read it and check what each child wants.

The deadline for entries is Dec. 16 at 5 p.m. and they will be published in the Dec. 20 Jefferson County Journal. Letters must be written in black ink, to Santa, in care of ECB Publishing, Inc., P.O. Box 428, Monticello, FL 32345, or dropped off at the Monticello News office, 180 W. Washington St., in Monticello.

Teachers will also be collecting letters for publication, so Santa can see them.



School District Gives Employees Break On Health Insurance Costs

(Savings Goes Into Effect Jan. 1)

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School district employees will be getting a significant savings on their health insurance coverage costs come the new year, thanks to a recent decision of the Jefferson County

School Board.

That decision was to have the district pay 75 percent of the cost of health insurance coverage effective Jan. 1, as opposed to the 50 percent it has been paying. Which means that district employees' share of their health insurance cost will be cut by

half.

As it turns out, school district employees have been paying a higher share of their health insurance coverage costs than employees of other school districts. Conversely, the local plan is more generous than most other plans in terms of

its benefits, having no deductibles and relatively low co-payments.

These were some of the findings that Travis Riker, a benefits consultant with the Georgia-based Arista Consulting Group, shared with the Jefferson County Board of Education. **Please See INSURANCE Page 3**

County's Small Grant Program Dispenses \$3,000 To 2 Groups

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Based on the recommendation of the Small Grant Program Review Committee, the Jefferson County Commission recently awarded a total of \$3,000 to two local organizations.

The two were the Jefferson County Historical Association (JCHA) and Concerned United People (CUP). Each received a \$1,500

grant. The JCHA plans to use the money to create a website to promote the Heritage Roads project.

The aim of the Heritage Roads project is to spur economic development and ecotourism by protecting, preserving and promoting those county roads that are seen as particularly historic or scenic or that touch on the community's cultural, natural or historical resources. **Please See GRANTS Page 3**

Ward Schoch On Wheel Of Fortune Thursday, Dec. 12



Ron and Jennifer Ward Schoch will appear on the Wheel of Fortune television game show December 12. Monticello Florida is Jennifer's hometown.

DEBBIE SNAPP
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Jennifer Ward Schoch and her husband Ron will appear as contestants on the television game show 'Wheel of Fortune' at 7 p.m. on

Thursday, December 12 on WCTV Channel 6.

Taping of the show 'Disney Cruise Line Week' is done at Sony Studios in Culver City, CA. At the taping of the show and during her introduction Jennifer proudly an-

nounces that Monticello Florida is her hometown.

Jennifer and Ron live in Las Vegas, NV. She is a graduate of Aucilla Christian Academy and Florida State University. She is a stay-at-home mom to

their four-year-old daughter Reagan, and she is the daughter of Janet and Mitchel Ward, of Monticello.

Ron is a graduate of the United States Air Force Academy and is a pilot at Creech Air Force Base.

October Proves Unusually Dry

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October was an unusually dry month, in terms of the average rainfall that the Suwannee River Water Management District (SRWMD) received during the month.

Indeed, it was the 12th driest October on record in 80 years, according to the latest monthly hydrological report released by the district.

The report states that the October rainfall was 0.61 inches, or 20 percent of the long-term average of 2.98 inches, with the highest localized average at two inches and the lowest at 0.11 inches.

Meanwhile, the average rainfall for the 12 months ending Oct. 31 was 2.8 inches lower than the long-term average of 54.61 inches, and the rainfall average for the three months ending Oct. 31 was 3.7 inches higher than the long-term average of 16.0 inches.

"After nearly record-breaking high rainfall in the middle Suwannee basin this summer, the three-month surplus along the middle Suwannee corridor fell almost 20 inches to less than three inches," the report states. "Three-month deficits in the upper Suwannee and upper Santa Fe basins approached 12 inches."

Jefferson County received 0.66 inches, compared with the October average of 3.07 inches. The county received 50.80 inches of rainfall during the last 12 months, or 84 percent of the annual normal.

Madison County, meanwhile, received 0.50 inches, compared with the October average of 3.24 inches. Madison County received 54.55 inches during the last 12 months, or 97 percent of the annual normal.

River levels continued to drop across the district during the month, a consequence of two months of below normal rainfall.

Lake levels likewise fell for the second consecutive month, as did monitored groundwater levels in the upper Floridan aquifer.

The National Weather Service Climate Prediction Center's three-month outlook shows a potential below normal precipitation through January.

The SRWMD continues its Phase I Water Shortage Advisory, which urges the reduction of the unnecessary uses of water.

The SRWMD encompasses all or parts of 15 counties in north-central Florida, including Madison County and the eastern portion of Jefferson County.

Tax Breaks For 'Granny Rooms' Soon Available To Homeowners

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Local residents who expand or remodel their homes in order to make room for elderly parents or grandparents will henceforth get a limited break on their property taxes, thanks to a measure that the Jefferson County Commission recently adopted and that becomes effective Jan. 1.

The commission adopted the Elderly Living Quarters Temporary Assessment Abeyance Ordinance, more commonly known as the Granny Flat Tax Ordinance, on Tuesday evening, Nov. 19, following a brief public hearing.

The only citizens comments to the ordinance came from David Hall and Charlie

Walker.

Hall questioned if the ordinance would be retroactive to homeowners who had remodeled or expanded their houses in the past to accommodate elderly relatives and who had consequently seen their property taxes increase.

The response from legal counsel was that the ordinance did not apply retroactively, but Commission Chairwoman Betsy Barfield promised to have the board explore the issue further at a workshop.

Walker expressed opposition to the ordinance. As he saw it, the elderly parents and grandparents had significant net worth that would likely be left to the familial property owner. He didn't see why county government should subsidize their property taxes. **Please See TAX BREAKS Page 3**

Local Officials Adopt New Rules For Developments In Flood-Prone Areas

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Property owners whose structures are vulnerable to flooding will appreciate knowing that national flood insurance coverage will continue to be available, now the Jefferson County Commission has adopted the required floodplain management ordinance.

It happened on Tuesday evening, Nov. 19, following the second of two required public hearings that saw minimal to zero public participation each time.

Adoption of the ordinance, as Planning Attorney Scott Shirley and Planning Official Bill Tellefsen variously explained, was unavoidable, if the county wanted to continue participating in the na-

tional flood insurance program. In that respect, the ordinance's adoption was a preordained and foregone conclusion from the start.

That, however, didn't stop commissioners from raising questions and concerns about the measure, if only for the sake of venting.

The ordinance, which goes into effect Feb. 5, 2014, effectively repeals earlier floodplain ordinances and brings all existing regulations into coordination with the Florida Building Code (FBC).

The ordinance basically requires that all buildings, structures and facilities in flood-prone areas be constructed above flood elevation level, and it applies to subdivisions. **Please See RULES 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.

Library Hours Should Be Consistent

I've never written a letter to the editor before, but I am so ready today! As a matter of fact, I have to type very fast as the library will be closing very soon. The computer I'm at has the wrong time, but the sign on the door says it will close today at 3 p.m. Tomorrow is Thanksgiving and I'll be home alone.

I'm not asking for sympathy, but I am on limited income and don't want to waste gas to attend a church meal with people I really don't know. I won't be driving except to attend the local Friday dance (if there is one) until Sunday for church.

My point is that there are lots of people like me who depend on my local library as a place to get informa-

tion, meet others, and use a computer. I don't have a home computer. It costs a lot to maintain, so I prefer to use library computers every day.

I usually ride my bike to the library to save on gas and wear and tear on the car. This library will not reopen until Monday. I used to work there, and I volunteered to work on the Saturday after Thanksgiving when I was there. I'm sure there are other part-time staff who would not mind working a few hours to avoid there being such a long time without library services.

I called the library yesterday to get the hours, because I've noticed they often like to be closed over the holidays. I was told they

would be open until 5:30 p.m. today. Apparently, they didn't tell this person, or they changed the closing time after I called yesterday at around 1 p.m. This is not the first time they moved up the closing time at the last minute.

At this time there are eight other people on public computers. There are also some on their laptops. I'm sure many of them did not notice the little handwritten note taped to the bottom of the 8x11 printout giving holiday hours. There will be many more people who will be driving up here after 3 p.m. when the library is closed. Such things need to be posted a week before the special hours, not just hours before!

Abigail Vandervest

Good Morning Commissioner Barfield

Congratulations upon being selected as Chair-person of our Board of County Commissioners for Jefferson County, Florida. We trust that you are excited and ready to meet the challenges and opportunities that await your regime. Accordingly, there are a few of them that have been the cause of much consternation within County Commission District 2. One of our primary needs is to have some of the many vacant and abandoned lots cleaned up on a perennial basis.

As you know, we have previously tried to have the County Commissioner who currently represent District 2 to have those parcels mowed and cleaned, but that effort was met with very little success. Recent 'stings' within the Monticello News have suggested that our church members visit the abandoned sites and clean them ourselves. It is our belief however, that this would resort to an act of trespassing on

our neighbors' property.

Besides, there are safety and liability concerns to contend with as well. We respect the United States Constitution and its protection of personal property rights.

In addition, a recent telephone call to County Coordinator Parrish Barwick's office revealed that Jefferson County does in fact have an Abandoned Lot Ordinance that is enforceable by the Jefferson County Commission. We are being told that Mrs. Beth Letchworth is the lead Code Enforcement Officer.

As our new Chairperson Ms. Barfield, we realize that you are busy. Nonetheless, we seek your assistance on this matter by helping us to clean up one lot at a time. At the request of two elderly women, one of them 95 years old, we humbly steer your attention to the conspicuous lot at the corner of M. L. King and Branch Streets. It is within the historic Black Business District. Many of us have

fond memories of Branch Street Funeral Home, Simpkin's Variety Store, Rainbow Cafe, the Blue Heron Cafe, and of course the American Legion Post 234.

We want our children, grandchildren, and even great-grandchildren to realize the greatness of the contributions to society made by our ancestors. Hence, we ask that you please have that lot cleaned first so that we will start being in compliance with Jefferson County's mission of protecting the health, safety, and welfare of our citizenry.

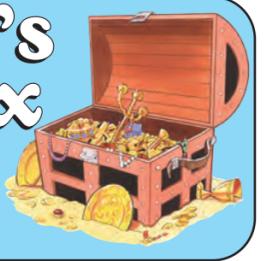
Finally, we believe that our small voices should be heard. No more taxation without representation for constituents within our region. Madam Chair, we have come to realize that sometimes it takes a woman to do what used to be a man's job. Please help us clean up abandoned parcels within County Commission District 2.

Respectfully,
Rev. Gene Hall



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Catching Wild Pigs

I get hundreds of emails a day. Most are business related, some are trash/spam, and then a few are from family or friends. I don't have time to sit and read a lot of non-business email. In fact, I don't read them at all just about. I either hit delete or save them for "another day." From time to time, I try to remember to go back through a lot of those old emails.

Last week, I was doing a search through my emails for something particular and I came across an email I hadn't read in a long time. It was an email I had received from a friend. I loved it then (thus the reason I had saved it) and I still love it now so much I thought I'd share it with all of you.

We'll call this a parable because there IS a lesson to be learned from this.

A chemistry professor in a large college had some exchange students in the class. One day while the class was in the lab, the Professor noticed one young man (exchange student) who kept rubbing his back and stretching as if his back hurt.

The professor asked the young man what was the matter. The student told him he had a bullet lodged in his back. He had been shot while fighting Communists in his native country who were trying to over-

throw his country's government and install a new Communist government.

In the midst of his story, he looked at the professor and asked a strange question. He asked, "Do you know how to catch wild pigs?"

The professor thought it was a joke and asked for the punch line. The young man said this was no joke. "You catch wild pigs by finding a suitable place in the woods and putting corn on the ground. The pigs find it and begin to come every day to eat the free corn. When they are used to coming every day, you put a fence down one side of the place where they are used to coming. When they get used to the fence, they begin to eat the corn again and you put up another side of the fence. They get used to that and start to eat again. You continue until you have all four sides of the fence up with a gate in the last side. The pigs, which are used to the free corn, start to come through the gate to eat; you slam the gate on them and catch the whole herd."

"Suddenly, the wild pigs have lost their freedom. They run around and around inside the fence, but they are caught. Soon they go back to eating the free corn. They are so used to it that they have forgotten how to forage in the woods for themselves, so they accept their captivity."

The young man then told the professor that is exactly what he sees happening to America.

The government keeps pushing us toward socialism and keeps spreading the free corn out in the form of programs such as supplemental income, tax credit for unearned income, tobacco subsidies, dairy subsidies, payments not to plant crops (CRP), welfare, medicine, drugs, etc. While we continually lose our freedoms -- just a little at a time.

One should always remember: There is no such thing as a free lunch! Also, a politician will never provide a service for you cheaper than you can do it yourself.

Also, if you see that all of this wonderful government 'help' is a problem confronting the future of democracy in America; you might want to send this story on to your friends. If you think the free ride is essential to your way of life then you will probably be offended by this story, but God help you when the gate slams shut!

"A government big enough to give you everything you want, is big enough to take away everything you have" - -
- Thomas Jefferson

Please, please keep this in mind each and every time you go to vote! Stop turning a blind eye to the problems in our country and start standing up and voicing your opinion. We have all been too quiet, for far too long.

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

Searching For Ambrosia Rose Klein Guest Columnist Waffles And Buried Treasure



I used to be a "saver". I saved almost everything. For example, I used to have furniture that belonged to my parents, quilts from my grandmother, Easter hats and gloves from my childhood, books from my Elementary-aged years, band medals and football ribbons from middle school and jeans I was wearing only a few years after high school. Over the years with several relocations later, some of these items I relinquished to my sister and some were sold when I felt it was time to "downsize" my life. What I have discovered is that material items, even though unnecessary in our lives, can still have enough memories attached to them, that they can evoke feelings of loss when they are gone.

One way I've found to recover this loss is by exploring flea markets and antique stores. Rows and rows of old, dusty items for sale can bring comments such as, "Oh my gosh, we used to have one of those when I was a kid!" On occasion, I have bought a "treasure" to help me reconnect with my past, such as the beautiful old percolating coffee pot my Papa used to make his morning cup of java with. As a child, I used to watch and listen, mesmerized by the coffee perking away as I tried to wake from the previous night's sleep. After getting my treasure home and giving it a thorough cleaning, I brewed myself a cup of coffee, sat back and remembered the times I was given my own small cup of "coffee" (lots of milk and sugar with just enough coffee to color the milk). Today, I can't remember how much I paid for the antique coffee maker, but the memories I've received every time I see the pot are worth, to me, whatever was on that price tag the day I purchased the pot and brought it home.

Browsing through flea markets, junk stores and estate sales is one of the many things my mother and I have in common. This past weekend, while we were out exploring we came upon a few really great markets. What makes them "great" is they did not contain the polished, orderly rows of antiques



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My beautiful "new" waffle iron, found on a junking spree by my mother. That have prices for collectors, but dusty shelves and boxes sitting on the floor, containing hidden treasures priced for fixer-uppers and "junkers," such as us. And, treasures were definitely found. One treasure in particular, my mother found, and gave to me as a gift, a waffle iron.

Years ago, the death of my stepfather caused my mother to have a necessary downsizing of her own and one of the things my mom parted with was her waffle maker. I wasn't able to be at the sale and when I found out, I was devastated. The waffles she made me from that waffle iron were super crispy on the outside and wonderfully chewy on the inside and something you can't achieve with the Teflon-coated waffle makers of today. My disappointment wasn't just for the loss of the waffles, but for the waffle iron itself, because it was hers and it was gone. So, for years we have both searched. I've searched so that I could have those wonderful waffles again as well as the memories my mother gave me when eating them. My mother has searched to please, and appease, her whiny daughter. The "replacement" waffle iron she bought for me had been well cared for and is in perfect condition. It is a classic old-timer with heavy, removable metal plates and a stainless steel covering that shined up beautifully. I can't wait to have her over for breakfast.

STINGERS

Horace Greeley said, "Not every Democrat is a horse thief but, every horse thief is a Democrat." Not much has changed since.

One of Harry Reid's relatives was hung for horse stealing in 1889.

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Man Ordered To Dig Up Wife From Front Yard

In Stevenson, Ala., a man lost his battle to keep his wife buried in the front yard of the home the couple shared for years. The remains of Patsy Davis, who died in 2009, was removed after Jim Davis lost his legal battle with the Stevenson City Council, who has been battling with the 74-year-old Davis for over a year. An attorney for the city said in rural Stevenson, drainage or runoff from the grave could have seeped in to nearby wells or into the system of a nearby restaurant. After the court ruling, Davis had his wife's remains cremated at a local funeral home.

Wedding Celebration Turns Deadly On Dance Floor

In Yeman, a dance at a wedding resulted in injuries and three deaths of attendees. As the Korean pop star Psy's "Gangnam Style" played, a man with an AK-47 joined the dance floor and as the song reached its chorus, began spraying bullets from the assault rifle in an attempt to celebrate. A video from a cell phone showed dancers around the man, falling to the ground, injured or dead. Although it is illegal to carry weapons to weddings in Yemen, gunfire during celebrations are reported to be quite common.

Designer Produces Picture Frames Made From Placenta

In Brighton, England, a recent graduate of Brighton University and now designer for a company in London, produces picture frames for newborns made from the mother's placenta. Amanda Cotton adds dried and crushed pieces of the placenta to molds with clear casting resin to create marble-effect frames. Cotton uses the entire placenta, that was preserved for her in a "cool box" after the birth, by first boiling and cooking it, then grinding it into small pieces before placing it in the molds. She says, "I have had lots of positive feedback from mothers and fathers to be, and I already have clients." Cotton developed the picture frame technique before graduating at the Faculty of Arts. She says, "I chose the placenta because during my time at Brighton, I lived with a midwife and it became apparent through her studies that there was little importance placed on the placenta, even though it is the link between the mother and baby throughout the entire pregnancy. It is quite common for people to keep their baby's by-products such as the umbilical cord, first tooth or hair clippings...the placenta is one of the first creations the mother and baby make together, why not celebrate that with a keepsake."

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son County School Board on Monday, Nov. 18.

Riker told the board that he had undertaken a comprehensive analysis determined to find the school district a better and less expensive plan than the one it currently had with Capital Health Plan (CHP). But after evaluating all the options and benchmarking CHP against other plans nationally, CHP was the best possible fit for the school district under the circumstances, he said.

Riker told the board that even with the six percent increase in health insurance costs that the district faced next year, it was still doing better than the national average. That conclusion, he said, was based on benchmarking information that he had derived from the largest survey of health plans in the country.

On the other negative side of equation, Riker said, the school district was noncompliant with certain provisions of the CHP contract.

First, he said, the district had not signed the CHP contract for the current calendar year. Secondly, the district was not achieving the 75 percent employee participation level that the contract required. Thirdly, the district was paying only 50 percent of the health insurance cost per employee, as opposed to the required 75 percent. And lastly, the district was allowing employees who worked less than 30 hours weekly to participate in the program, he said.

Riker said the first problem could be corrected easily enough by signing the current contract, if retroactively. He said the minimum 30-hour requirement could possibly be negotiated with CHP to allow for coverage of employees who worked fewer than 30 hours. CHP also probably wouldn't press the 75-percent employee participation requirement, he said.

But the district's noncompliance in terms of not paying 75 percent of the employees' health insurance cost was something that

needed to be corrected, he said. As it was, he said, the district's per-employee cost for health insurance was lower than other school districts.

Coming into compliance, Riker reiterated, would entail signing the contracts for both the current and coming years, plus making good on the 75-percent pay requirement. It was his calculation that picking up 75 percent of the per-employee cost would add \$155,000 to the district's total health insurance costs for the 109 insured employees. The other choice, Riker said, was for the district not to comply with the 75 percent requirement and hope that CHP didn't audit the contract and discover the error, a course of action he couldn't legally or ethically advised, and didn't.

Moreover, he added, audits were expected to rise with the advent of the federal healthcare reform, and the district's noncompliance was more likely to be discovered. Still it was a choice the district had, if it wanted to risk the consequences, he said. And the risk, he said, was that the district could have the policy cancelled.

"Right now, your employees are paying 49 percent of the cost and the board is paying 51 percent," Riker said. "If you comply with the 75 percent requirement, the employees' payment will be \$122.53 monthly."

By making the cost more affordable, the district would be more in compliance with the Affordable Health Care Act when it kicked in fully, he said. Right now, if the Affordable Health Care Act were to be in full force, the district would be out of compliance with 41 of its 109 insured employees because these employees' share of the insurance cost made it unaffordable for them, he said.

Riker said the high costs that district employees were currently paying for their health insurance coverage explained why only two of the 109 insured employees chose to include their families in the coverage.

"They just can't afford it," Riker said of the family coverage costs.

The district also needed to consider that when it lowered the employees' share of the monthly cost to \$122.53, more employees would likely take advantage of the coverage, he said. Which greater participation would mean that the district's overall health insurance cost would increase proportionately, he said.

There were, however, things the district could do to reduce the overall costs, Riker said. The good news, he said, was that the district currently had 20 employees who were 65 or older and Medicare eligible, 13 of whom were enrolled with CHP. If the district could convince these employees that they could get better health insurance coverage and pay less by going with Medicare, it would save the district \$39,000, he said.

"You need to educate these employees to choose Medicare," Riker said.

After some discussion, the School Board voted to follow Riker's advice, especially relative to the 75 percent contribution.

Chief Financial Officer Robert Lloyd raised the question of where the district was going to find the \$155,000.

"We're talking about a lot of money that's not there," Lloyd said. "There's not \$155,000 just floating around."

The way the board left it, Lloyd was to explore the budget with an eye toward possibly finding the extra money somewhere. Meanwhile, Lloyd and Riker were to approach the CHP and determine if the latter was willing to accept the \$155,000 in installments, given the district's budgetary constraints and its expressed willingness to comply with the requirement.

Regardless the outcome of the talks with CHP, the board gave School Superintendent Al Cooksey permission to announce the good news to the employees, in effect committing itself to the higher contribution.

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site improvements, utility installations, new constructions, alterations, repairs, demolitions, and FBC-exempt facilities, to name a few.

The new floodplain maps that come with the ordinance are reportedly capable of identifying elevations to within inches of the true elevation and delineating wetlands and flood-hazard areas to specific and narrow boundaries. In a word, the new floodplain maps are vastly superior to the maps of old, according to the experts.

Among the key objectives of the requirements that the 35-page ordinance establishes are to promote construction practices that prevent or minimize flood damage; reduce the impact of development on the natural and beneficial functions of floodplains, watercourses and shorelines; and lower the expenditures of public funds for flood control projects and recovery efforts post floods.

In situations where the floodplain management ordinance conflicts with other regulations, particularly where it concerns the management of development in flood hazard areas, the more restrictive of the rules will govern, according to the ordinance.

Tax Breaks

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ment should subsidize these property owners' taxes, he said.

As approved, the ordinance allows the Property Appraiser's office to grant homeowners who remodel or expand their houses a temporary tax abeyance on the increased portion of their property's assessed value, provided the addition or remodeling is to provide living quarters for elderly parents or grandparents.

The tax abeyance can be applied either to the increased assessed value that results from the construction or reconstruction, or to 20 percent of the total assessed value of the property.

To be eligible for the temporary tax abeyance, the property owner must claim a homestead exemption on the property where the expansion or remodeling takes place. The expansion or remodeling must also be specifically for the purpose of providing living quarters "for one or more natural or adoptive parents or grandparents" of the property owner, and at least one of the parents or grandparents must be a minimum of 62 years of age.

The construction or reconstruction must be substantially completed before Jan. 1 of the year in which the tax exemption is being sought. Moreover, the application for the exemption must be filed with the Property Appraiser's office on or before March 1 of every year.

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ral and/or historical assets.

Four trails or loops identified thus far for the Heritage Roads System are the Miccosukee-Magnolia Trail, the Plantation Trail, the Spanish Trail and the Flatwoods-Wilderness Trail, each emphasizing a different aspect of the county. The idea is that these roads will attract visitors interested learning more about the area.

CUP plans to use the money for a letter-writing campaign aimed at garnering support from individuals potentially interested in the restoration of the Old Howard Academy, this community's black high school

prior to integration. CUP wants to convert the building into a community center of sorts.

The committee that reviews the Small Grant Program applications and recommends funding or denying the requests is made up of County Coordinator Parrish Barwick, Economic Development Director Julie Conley and Tourist Development Council Coordinator Nancy Wideman.

The commission established the guidelines for the distribution of the \$10,000 in the program earlier this year.

Per those guidelines, the purpose of the program is to provide financial assistance to local activities

and initiatives that promote economic development and enhance the community's quality of life.

To be eligible for the program, applicants must be volunteer-based nonprofits, be located in Jefferson County, and demonstrate that the activity being funded will increase economic viability.

The program has a maximum cap of \$1,500 per applicant, except in cases where the commission chooses to adjust the amount, based on budgetary considerations.

Applications are limited to one per organization per fiscal year.



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WILMA JOSEPHINE THOMPSON

Wilma Josephine Thompson, 79, Monticello, passed away Saturday, November 30, 2013, in Tallahassee.

She was born in Jefferson County, Florida, on January 22, 1934. She was the daughter of the late J. M. Wirick and Marietta Wirick. She was married to the late Reverence O. E. Thompson of Monticello.

She is survived by sisters Mildred Boykin (Guy), Lake Helen, FL., and Jacquelyn Lamb, Thomasville, GA., niece Connie McElvey (Robert), of Lake Park, GA., nephew Randy Howell (Carol), Thomasville, GA. and several great nephews and nieces.

Mrs. Thompson retired from the Jefferson County Board of Education.

Graveside services were held Monday, December 2, 2013, at 2 p.m. at Springfield Cemetery, Lloyd, FL.

KATHLEEN M. FOSTER

Kathleen M. Foster, 94, passed away Wednesday, November 27, 2013 in Tallahassee.

A graveside service was held 11:00 a.m., Saturday, November 30, at Sardis Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made for the upkeep of Sardis Cemetery, 4543 Waukeenah Hwy, Monticello. Beggs Funeral Homes, Monticello, is in charge of arrangements.

Kathleen was a native of Jefferson, County and former resident of Jacksonville, residing in Tallahassee at the time of her death. She retired from the State of Florida as a medical technologist and was a member of Swain Memorial Methodist Church in Jacksonville.

She is survived by two sons, Ray E. Foster (Barbara) of Tallahassee, and Harry Foster of Jacksonville; a brother, Paul McClellan of Monticello; two grandchildren, Christin Foster Gonzalez and Jessica Foster; and one great-grandchild, Sophia Gonzalez.

December 5
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.

December 6
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 Neill Wade at 850-545-4940.

December 6
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 doorprizes, soft drinks, snacks, and just enjoy some fun and camaraderie with neighbors and friends. This is a nonprofit charitable event; donations are accepted. For questions or concerns, contact Curtis Morgan at 850-933-8136 or Bobby Connell at 850-445-0049.

December 6
Ashville Area Volunteer Fire Department meets at its facility on the first Friday of each month. For more information, contact Assistant Fire Chief Butch Staffieri at 850-210-2816.

December 6
Jefferson Arts presents its December Members Annual Show 'Mixed Bag-A Multi-Media Retrospective,' Beginning with an opening reception on Friday from 6 to 8 p.m. Shop for the holidays. This Christmas Exhibit & Craft Bazaar will be filled with food, festivities, and art offered by the members. Browse for handmade presents. Visit the Arts through the month, in the Gallery, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Wednesdays and Saturdays for public viewing at 575 West Washington Street in downtown Monticello. For more information about the Arts or about art classes for children and adults, call 850-997-3311 or go to info@jeffersonartsgallery.com or www.jeffersonartsgallery.com

December 6, 7
MainStreet Monticello 'Christmas Around The Downtown' will be held from 4 to 9 p.m. on Friday and Saturday evenings for your shopping pleasure. Come enjoy a variety of local stores and street vendors, caroling, and Santa Claus.

December 6, 7, 14
Monticello Woman's Club will be selling their fresh baked Holiday Cakes on Friday evening during the

MainStreet 'Downtown Christmas'. Look for their booth! They will also be selling them on Saturday evening during the Christmas on Pearl Street Home Tour. 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 be selling hot dogs and soft drinks. The public is invited to attend all of these events.

December 7
Artisans and Growers Market is an outdoors shopping experience held on the first Saturday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the tented garden area behind the Wirick-Simmons House, at the corner of Cherry and Pearl streets. All products sold to the public are handmade, home-baked, and home-grown. Participants may rent a table or space with all proceeds to benefit the Monticello Old Jail Museum. For more information contact MainStreet Monticello Florida Program Manager Anne H. Holt at 850-576-0721, or aholt@ahholt.com or www.mainstreetmonticellofl.org.

December 7
Food distribution at the Jefferson Senior Citi-

zens Center sponsored by the United Way of the Big Bend and America's Second Harvest, from 9 to 11 a.m., or until the food is gone. Anyone in need of food assistance in Jefferson County can receive food during this 'Days Of Doing ~ Help For Hunger' campaign. Volunteers are needed from 8:15 to 11:15 a.m. Contact Campaign Associate Megan Picht at megan@uwbb.org or 850-488-8342 or 850-694-2760 to sign up.

December 8
Camellia Christmas Brunch, at the Daffodale Estate Bed & Breakfast, on Sunday, at 1 p.m. Camellia lovers are invited to view one of the finest camellia collections in the United States. The address is 620 West Washington Street in downtown Monticello. Come enjoy this very special brunch meal prepared by Scotty and Cathy Eberbach, owners/operators of the Daffodale Estate. And, get in on the free drawing for a delightful doorprize. Take a leisurely stroll and guided tour through the three-acres of assorted and beautiful camellia blooms and old-growth foliage gardens. Call now to reserve, 850-997-1111 or scott@daffodaleestate.com.

Business Community Prayer Breakfast Thursday

DEBBIE SNAPP
ECB Publishing
Staff Writer

The next Business Community Prayer Breakfast will be held on Thursday, December 5 at St. Margaret Catholic Church, in the Parish Hall on East Washington Street in Monticello. The meal will begin at 7 a.m. and will conclude at 8 a.m.

The beautiful ambiance and decorations will focus on the holiday season to make this annual meeting special.

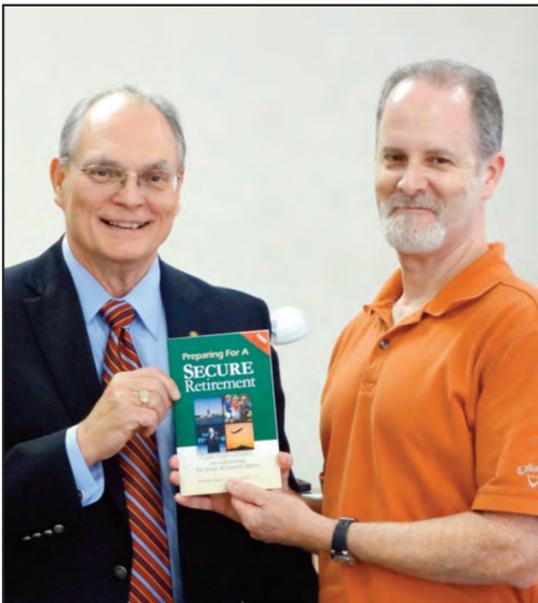
Speaker will be Craig Wilson, social work services program manager for the Florida

Department of Health in Jefferson and Madison counties. He has an inspiring way of sharing his Christian values through his job.

Plan to attend, and bring a guest. Also, canned food items will be collected for the area community food pantries. If you are able, bring an item or two and deposit them into the bed of the red pickup truck parked near the entrance to the hall.

For more information about this monthly meeting, contact Coordinator L. Gary Wright at 850-997-5705 or 850-933-5567.

Rotarians Review Retirement Plans



John Curry spoke to the Monticello Rotary on November 8. He is an agent with the North Florida Financial Corporation. He helps people plan for a secure retirement and shared seven most common mistakes they tend to make. For more information about Rotary, contact President Angela Gray at angelagray@yahoo.com Pictured from left to right are: Curry and Tom Conley.

JEFFERSON COUNTY CRIME BEAT

All information is printed as taken from the Jefferson County Sheriff's office. All Suspects Should Be Considered Innocent Until Proven Guilty In A Court Of Law

FRAN HUNT
ECB Publishing
Staff Writer

Tommy Noah Howell, 38, of Jefferson County, was arrested November 19 and charged with domestic battery. Bond was set at \$2,500 and he bonded out of jail the following day.

Jimmy Foy, Jr., 28, of Quitman, GA, was arrested November 21 and charged with violation of probation on the charge of fleeing and eluding. Bond was withheld and he remained at the County Jail December 3.

Thomas Lewis Smith, 34, of Geneva, AL, was arrested November 23 and charged with possession of drug paraphernalia, and possession of marijuana less than 20 grams. A total bond of \$1,000 was set and he bonded out of jail the same day.

Kevin Wade, 21, of Jefferson County, was arrested November 23 and charged with possession of a controlled substance. Bond was set at \$2,500 and he bonded out of jail the same day.

Selina Samantha Williams, 24, of Monticello, was arrested November 24 and charged with violation of probation on the charge of insurance fraud. Bond was withheld and she remained at the County Jail December 3.

Jordan Bernard Boothe, 21, of Charlotte, FL, was arrested November 24 and charged with violation of probation on a warrantless arrest, out of Punta Gorda, FL; resisting an officer without violence; driving while license suspended or revoked; violation of probation on the charge of possession of marijuana less than 20 grams, on a warrant from Hillsborough County, FL. Bond was withheld and he remained at the County Jail December 3.

Casey Dan Padula, 18, of Charlotte, FL, was arrested November 24 and charged with permitting an unauthorized person to drive, and resisting without violence. A total bond of \$750 was set and he bonded out of jail the same day.

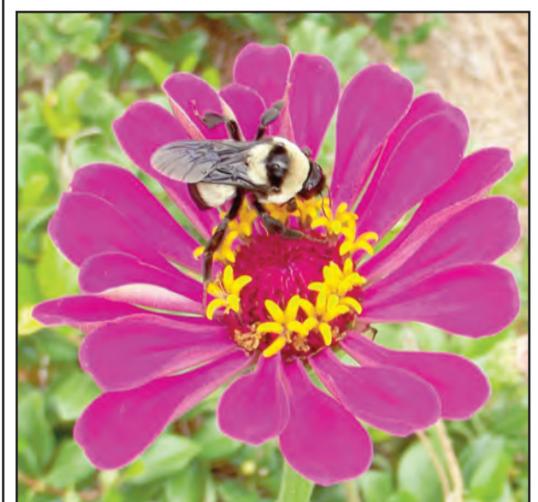
Martin Chicoine, 39, of Jefferson County, was arrested November 26 and charged with domestic battery. Bond was set at \$500 and he remained at the County Jail December 3.

Terra Nicole Girlando, 39, of Jefferson County, was arrested November 26 and charged with domestic battery. Bond was set at \$500 and she remained at the County Jail December 3.

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The Bumble Bee



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This Bumble Bee has found that dining on a Zinnia in a local garden quite the treat!

AROUND JEFFERSON COUNTY

American Legion And Auxiliary Celebrate The Season



ECB Publishing Photo By Debbie Snapp, November 11, 2013.

American Legion Post 49 members Ed Register, left, and Bill Hatcher remember MIA and POW soldiers and explain the purpose behind the Soldiers Table.

DEBBIE SNAPP
ECB Publishing Staff Writer

The American Legion Post 49 and Auxiliary will celebrate the Christmas holiday with a dinner on Tuesday, December 10 at the Otto Walker Post. The meal will be served at 6:30 p.m. and will include a selection prepared by the ladies.

The memberships are also asked to bring in donations of toiletry items for the Lake City VA Hospital. The items will be combined with those collected from the First United Methodist Church, and delivered by Dianne and Buddy Westbrook; for the purpose of supplying its residents with their toiletry needs.

A list of items accepted includes: mouth wash (Scope, Listerine,) after shave, Efferdent, Polident, denture adhesives, cologne, perfume, body lotion, Kleenex and Puffs, lip-stick (reds, pinks, neutral colors,) Vaseline Intensive Care, nail polish (reds, pinks, neutral colors,) and remover, Emory boards, nail clippers, white socks for men and women, cotton balls, cotton pads, face powder and foundation, blush (neutral, shades of pink,) toothpaste (Colgate, Crest,) toothbrushes, knee-highs hosiery, hair spray, cold/facial creams (Oil of Olay,) jewelry (earrings, necklaces, rings, bracelets,) Depends, Poise, sanitary pads, hair tonics, liquid shoe polish, shoelaces, unique



ECB Publishing Photo By Debbie Snapp, September 10, 2013.

Local resident and guest Frank Vasquez, left, visited with the American Legion Post 49 members during one of their monthly meetings. He talked about his gun and knife collections. Standing with Post Commander Travis Hussey.

items and knick/knacks for the gift shop, postage stamps, underarm deodorant/antiperspirant, room air fresheners, liquid hand and body soaps, fragrant body spray, small liquid laundry detergent, new greeting cards, baby/wet wipes, and cash donations are always accepted.

In other Post 49 news, Frank Vasquez, a rather new Jefferson County resident, spoke to the membership during one of their monthly meetings, about his gun and knife collections. He brought

with him to show, his prized possession, a Camillus Cutlery Company Pearl Harbor Remembrance Knife 1941-1991 USS Battleships Arizona, California, Maryland, Nevada, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, West Virginia.

Vasquez is retired from military service and from the New York City Police. After retirement he did work briefly for Smith & Wesson.

Post 49 Legion and Auxiliary received recognition from National for their 100 percent membership goals.

Senior Citizens Park Making Progress



Crystal Davis, the new executive director of the Jefferson Senior Citizens Center, takes the JSCC Board members for a walk about the new Memorial Gardens Park behind the facility on October 31, 2013. She is excited about the progress being made on the park so far. Pictured from left to right are: Nan Baughman, John Eveland, Maryann Van Kleunen, George Pittman, Miner Brookins, Meryl Love, Davis, Charles Buddy Crumity, Ruby Whitson, Len Dodson, and Carl Hanks.

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Sunday School.....9:45 AM
Sunday Worship Service.....11:00 AM
Choir Practice.....5:00 PM
Worship Service.....6:00 PM
Wednesday
Fellowship Meal.....6:30 PM
Prayer Meeting/Bible Study.....7:00 PM

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Sunday School.....10:00 AM
Sunday Worship.....11:00 AM
Wed. Family Training Hour.....7:00 PM
Ignite student Ministries.....7:00 PM

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Sunday Evening.....6:00 PM
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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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December 4, 18

First Presbyterian Church will host EaglesWings, an outreach ministry 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, or go to eaglewingsmonticello@yahoo.com or www.firstpresbyterian-monticello.org.

December 6

Tent of the Holy Guests offers prayer for the sick and a special scripture message every Friday at 7:30 p.m. The Tent is located at 295 West Palmer Mill in Monticello. Call 850-342-3541 for more information.

December 6-7

First United Methodist Church will host its annual gift to the community 'Bethlehem in Monticello' from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday nights. To help contact Billie McClellan at 850-997-4741. Come visit this live Nativity on the grounds; hot cocoa and cookies will be served in the Family Ministry Center!

December 7

Nazarene Church Family Clothing Giveaway is held from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. on the first Saturday of every month. For more information contact Rev. Clay Stephens, at 850-528-5451.

December 10

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.

December 13

First Baptist Church Monticello will host its annual Christmas Cantata at 7 p.m. on Friday at the church. Rev. Rick Kelley, pastor.

December 14

New Hope Church of God Seniors in Christ will hold a Catfish Fry from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday in the Monticello News parking lot.

December 14

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

December 19

First Baptist Church Monticello will host a Community Christmas Dinner on Thursday from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall. All are welcome to come dine together in Christian love and fellowship. There will be NO carry-out meals. Call the church at 850-997-2349 for more information. Rev. Rick Kelley, pastor.



"Keeping the Faith"

Ronnie McBrayer

Shalom (Third Week of Advent)

“On earth peace, goodwill toward men,” sang the angels on the first Christmas morning. The Hebrew word for peace is shalom. In Judaism shalom is a living concept, not a word; a vision for how life could be, should be, and the life God is pulling his whole creation toward. In this way of thinking, peace is not merely the absence of war or conflict. It is not simply quietness or calm. It is overall wellbeing. It is health and wholeness. It is personal, communal, and cosmic harmony. It is a satisfied and blessed life.

So, when someone blesses you with “Shalom!” they are wishing you the highest and best that God can offer. “Be at harmony with yourself, your world and your God. Have a fruitful, robust life,” they are saying. All of that in a single word, and shalom is God’s intent and will for the world.

If this is true, then what in God’s world has gone so terribly wrong? As I write these words this world is anything but peaceful. Tyrants

rule. Violence is routine. Political opponents dig in to fight, argue, vilify and wrangle. All while we mark the first terrible anniversary of that hideous act that played itself out in a Connecticut elementary school.

Peace, much less the broader idea of shalom, doesn’t seem to be how the “world really works” at all. We are pushed to the same conclusion as Henry Wadsworth Longfellow who wrote, mournfully, “There is no peace on earth, I said; for hate is strong, and mocks the song of peace on earth, goodwill to men!”

Yet, the problem is not God’s, for he has provided the path to peace and goodwill. The problem is our lack of practicing peace; and by “our” I am speaking of my own tribe – we who are Christians. We can be as hateful, combative, and eager for violence as any other group of people, sometimes more so. Nothing will change in this world – nothing – until those who follow the Prince of Peace become practitioners of his words and way.

Such practice isn’t

easy, I know. I am a proponent of peace by means of nonviolence, and yet, nothing I say or write stirs more vitriol from other Christians than this subject. Within seconds of giving a talk about Jesus’ way of peace or writing an article with God’s shalom as its subject matter, someone from the local First Church will be wagging a finger in my face while trembling with rage or lighting up my email box with scorn.

I understand. In my heart, I’m not really a lover of peace, and I resist shalom. Deep within, I am a violent, revenge taking person. But stuck with Jesus, what choice do I have but to give peace a chance? Jesus gives us no other option but the confession, “Let there be peace on earth; and let it begin with me.”

This confession doesn’t mean we won’t grow thirsty for revenge, that we won’t be afraid, or that our faith will not be put to the severest of tests. But if we believe that one day the lamb will lay down with the lion; that swords will be beaten into plowshares; that

mercy and justice will flow down like the waters; then we must live that belief – we must put peace into action – now.

I know that practicing peace appears impractical. Practicing shalom is not like implementing a public policy that will automatically eliminate conflict. Still, this is the way of Jesus. This is the redemptive purpose of his Incarnation and this Advent season. And this way of peace is the very kingdom of God.

In the end, Longfellow knew this too. After lifting his head from the deep despair of a morally bankrupt world, he wrote a superb, often ignored line: “Then pealed the bells more loud and deep: ‘God is not dead, nor doth He sleep;’ The Wrong shall fail, The Right prevail, With peace on earth, goodwill to men.” And yes, may that peace begin with me.

Ronnie McBrayer is a syndicated columnist, pastor, and author. His newest book is “The Gospel According to Waffle House.” You can read more at www.ronniemcbrayer.me.



Daily Trials

By Vivian Miles

*Days may come and days may go,
Our loving Leader makes it so.*

*God's love for us is secure,
His mercy we hope to endure.*

*Our sins we confess every day,
There is no other way.*

*God knows you and all others,
Every Tom, Dick and Harry,
even mothers.*

*A godly life is pleasing to our Lord,
Daily blessings we receive
as our reward.*

*The joy of the Lord gives us strength,
He helps on our journey,
no matter the length.*

*The praises we give the Lord
are very great,
Our love for Him will be first rate.*

*God's help is always at hand,
His mercy is spread throughout
this land.*

*Knowing God dispels all doubt,
Reading His life story makes us shout.*

*During life's trials and tribulations,
With God's love they turn
to celebrations.*

The Pulpit

You Are More Than Conquerors

PATTIE BENNETT
Assistant Pastor
Mt. Pleasant
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Rejection is an ugly weapon frequently used by Satan to attack the minds of God's people. The affect of being rejected makes some people feel like outcasts, and their self-esteem diminishes which trigger negative responses. Some children are rejected by their peers who ban them from their groups. During my childhood, kids were teased and forced to fight by passing the first lick, and the loser only received a black eye. However, nowadays our kids are bullied and rejected by other kids, either in person or via the social media, and the victims are so ashamed that they commit murder or suicide.

Within His ministry, Jesus was rejected and regarded as a 'nobody' by His countrymen. They ridiculed Him and tried to demean His character by referring to Him as the 'carpenter's son,' who was Joseph, Mary's husband. In addition to that, they said Mary the mother of Jesus, was just a 'common woman.' The miracles and mighty works Jesus performed were not taught in school; which caused the people to wonder where He learned them. So, they rejected His teachings, and He was thrown out of their synagogue. As a result of their unbelief, Jesus was not welcomed to do many of His mighty works in His country. Matthew 13:57 records Jesus telling His people: "A prophet is not without honour save in his own country, and in his own house." Nevertheless, Jesus continued to do His works in other cities; for which His Father was 'well-pleased.'

David was a shepherd boy who was rejected by his older brothers. They probably felt he would never amount to 'anything.' But when he slew Goliath, the giant, He became a champion among his people. Because of David's faithfulness, he was also chosen by God to be king over His people, including his brothers. You see, 'man looks at the outer appearance, but God looks on the heart.' Likewise, Joseph was despised and rejected by his brothers. They took his coat of many colors, and put him in a pit. But, Joseph climbed out of the pit of rejection, and was made a ruler over the king's palace. Using his authority, he saved his father and brothers during a famine. 'So what the devil meant for evil, God meant for good.'

As followers of Christ, you must not allow negative viewpoints of others shake your faith, and prevent you from fulfilling your divine purpose. Therefore, you should never wait for man to affirm God's plan for your life. The example you set while persevering through your trials will help your children learn to conquer their own trials. In order to deter bullying, you should teach your children to love themselves; as well as others. Then, they will be brave enough to attack any giant problem, and rise above their pits of rejection, knowing that the Lord will elevate them in due time. Romans 8:37 says: "Nay in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him that loved us." So, be steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your 'labor is not in vain.'



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Sunday

Sunday School-Small Groups..... 9:15 AM
Praise & Worship.....10:30 AM
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

Shades of REaD Book Club.....5:45 PM

2nd Thursday

Lloyd Silver Saints- Senior Adult.....11:00 AM

3rd Thursday

W W Diners.....5:30 PM

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3rd Saturday

Brotherhood.....8:00 AM

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Kiwanis Weekly Meeting Is Informative

DEBBIE SNAPP
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On November 27, the Monticello Kiwanis received some interesting information from local firearms instructor Bob Morris. He spoke to the membership about concealed weapons laws, Castle doctrine, and other firearms topics. Bob is certified in his field and makes himself available for updates and classes on the subject of firearms.

Other guest speakers to the Wednesday afternoon meetings include Adam Basford. He is in charge of managing legislative affairs for the Florida Dairy Farmers Federation. He spoke to the membership about technology advances in farming, and legislative issues in regards to farmers.

Monticello Kiwanis made a generous donation to the Jefferson County Education Foundation during one of its meetings. Representing the Foundation and accepting a check for \$500 was Guy Hood. He told the group that the funds would be used to improve and refurbish musical instruments for the Jefferson County Middle High School Band.

Kiwanis President Don Condon and Treasurer Brenda Sorensen also presented a check for \$1,500 to Jefferson County Bailar Public Library Director Kitty Brooks for improvements to the children's reading section of the



Newly elected Kiwanis officers and guests pictured from left to right are: Bob Davison, secretary; Brenda Sorensen, treasurer; Don Condon, president; Jim Ledbetter, outgoing Lt. Governor; Heather Locke, incoming Lt. Governor; Floyd Faglie, president-elect; Rocky Gavins, immediate past president; and Tully Sparkman, vice-president.

local library. Brooks spoke briefly about her thoughts and ideas for the changes.

Craig Wilson, with the Jefferson County Health Department, also spoke to the Kiwanis membership. He talked about the different services provided by his agency for the area's children. And, about scheduled classes and learning opportunities for county residents, as well as medical and dental offerings at the facility and in the mobile unit.

Monticello Kiwanis ended its 2012-2013 year with the election and installation of new

officers for the 2013-2014 year. The new officers are: Don Condon, president; Tully Sparkman, vice-president; Floyd Faglie, president-elect; Bob Davison, secretary; and Brenda Sorensen, treasurer.

The Monticello Kiwanis meet at noon every Wednesday at the Jefferson Country Club on the Boston Highway. Prospective members are always welcome to come for a visit.



Pictured from left to right are: Kiwanis past presidents Rob Beshears, seated, and Katrina Walton, walking, Program Chair Jessica Corley, Treasurer Brenda Sorensen, and Program Speaker Guy Hood.



Pictured from left to right are: Library Director Kitty Brooks, Kiwanis President Don Condon, and Kiwanis Treasurer Brenda Sorensen.

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SPORTS

Escambia Drops Warriors

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The Aucilla Christian Academy varsity Warriors manned the hardwood against Escambia on November 26, and the Warriors were tilted for a 69-32 loss, to now stand 1-4 on the season.

As a team, the Warriors netted 10 out of 26 attempts from the field, hit four of 13 attempts from the three-point zone, and missed three attempts from the free-throw line for 32 points. They collected seven assists, nine offensive and three defensive rebounds for a total of 12 rebounds, with nine fouls, six block/steals, and 22 turnovers.

Individually, Braden Mattingly bucketed two of four attempts from the field, and missed two attempts from the three-point zone for four points. He had one assist, one offensive and one defensive rebound for a total of two rebounds, with three fouls, one block/steal, and two turnovers.

Gatlin Nennstiel netted one of three attempts from the field, and missed one attempt from the three-point zone for two points. He also had one defensive rebound, and one turnover.

Brandon Holm hit one of three attempts from the field for two points. He had one assist, one offensive and two defensive rebounds for a total of three rebounds, with one block/steal, and four turnovers.

Zack Arceneaux bucketed one of three attempts from the field for two points. He had two fouls, and one turnover.

Ricky Finlayson netted one of three attempts from the field, and bucketed two of four attempts from the three-point zone for eight points, to lead the Warrior scoreboard. He also had four turnovers.

Timmy Burrus missed two attempts from the field, and netted one of three attempts from the three-point zone for three points. He had three offensive rebounds, one foul, two block/steals, and one turnover.

Casey Demott netted one of three attempts from the field, and missed one attempt from the three-point zone for two points. He had one assist, two fouls, and one turnover.

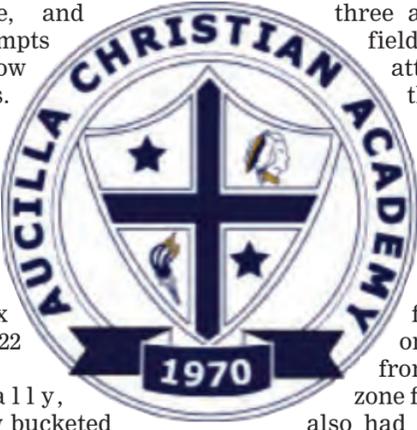
Shawn Blue missed one attempt from the field, and netted one of two attempts from the three-point zone for three points. He also had three assists, and one turnover.

Steven Trest targeted two of three attempts from the field, and missed two attempts from the free-throw line for four points. He had one assist, three offensive rebounds, and four turnovers.

Carson Nennstiel netted one attempt from the field, and missed one attempt from the free-throw line for two points. He also had one foul, two block/steals, and three turnovers.

The Warriors faced off against Brookwood on December 3, and those results will be forthcoming.

Action continues against Robert F. Munroe, December 5 at 7:30 p.m., home; Lafayette, December 9 at 7:30 p.m., home; FAMU, December 10 at 7:30 p.m., home; Escambia Charter, December 13 at 7:30 p.m., home; and Lafayette, December 16 at 7:30 p.m., away.



Upward Sports Accepting Players

AMBER HOUSTON
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Staff Writer

Elizabeth Baptist Church's league of Upward Sports will be accepting basketball players and cheerleaders for the season.

The league is part of Upward Sports, a national ministry and the largest Christian-based sports league in the world. Evaluations are December 7 from 9-11 a.m., December 9 from 6-8 p.m., and December 10 from 6-8 p.m.

Mandy Self is the wife of League Manager, Don Self. She is also the spokesperson for the league and had this explanation of evaluations: "They're kind of like try-outs, but instead of determining whether or not a child makes the team, they decide which team a child will play on. We use a computer system to

evaluate their skills and make teams that are as evenly matched as possible. So no child is going to be turned away from the program."



The organizers at Elizabeth Baptist Church have paired with other churches this year including Waukeelah United Methodist Church, the Monticello Church of the Nazarene, Central Baptist Church, and Restored Glory Christian Center. Rev. Don Self has made a conscious effort to make the time commitment as easy as possible.

Said Mandy, "The program lasts eight weeks. There is one game

and one practice a week. Together, these come to a two-hour a week time commitment, which we did to try and make things easiest on parents and children during the busy holiday season."

Though the time commitment is small, the benefits to children are endless, Mandy said. "They learn teamwork, communication, basketball rules and skills, cheerleading skills and techniques, and hand-eye coordination. They get exercise and they learn about the Lord."

Though there is a registration fee, limited scholarships are available. Said Mandy, "Please don't let the fee stand in the way of your child participating. If you are truly in need, we will absolutely work with you—we want you to join us!"

To register, visit registration.upward.org/UPW54178.

Lady Warriors Win One Of Past Four

FRAN HUNT
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Staff Writer

The Aucilla Christian Academy varsity Lady Warriors won one of the past four games to now stand 2-6 on the season.

Aucilla hit the basketball court against FAMU on November 21, and the Lady Warriors were thrashed for a 93-9 loss.

"FAMU will probably take state again this year," said Coach Daryl Adams.

Marisa Duber netted for three points, with two rebounds, and two blocked shots.

Ashley Hebert scored two points, and had one steal.

Kayla Knecht had two points, two rebounds, and two steals.

Lauren Demott netted for two points, with four rebounds, and one assist.

Kinzi Mattingly had one assist.

On November 22, the Lady Warriors squared off against Franklin County, and Aucilla was bounced for a 51-28 loss.

Duber had two points, and two rebounds.

Ramsey Sullivan scored two points.

Mattingly bucketed

for seven points, and grabbed seven rebounds.

Demott had one point, with two rebounds, and four steals.

Knecht targeted for 16 points, snagged eight rebounds, and had a whopping 10 steals, nearly getting a triple-double.

Morgan Cline had three rebounds.

Whitney Stevens had three assists.

The Lady Warriors hit the hardwood against Georgia Christian on November 25, and Aucilla was tossed for a 50-20 loss.

Duber scored one point.

Sullivan netted for six points.

Mattingly bucketed for seven points.

Demott had one point.

Stevens scored three points.

Knecht had two points.

The Lady Warriors hit the warpath against North Florida Christian on November 26 and the Lady Warriors scalped their opponent for a 57-27 victory.

"We played great," said Coach Adams. "It was a good positive for us."

Duber bucketed for 10 points, snagged nine rebounds, with two as-

sists, and two steals.

Cline scored two points, and had six rebounds.

Sullivan scored six points, and had five rebounds.

Demott had six points, and seven rebounds.

Stevens targeted for 16 points, and had two rebounds, two assists, and four steals.

Knecht bucketed for 10 points, with eight rebounds, five assists, and six steals.

Cali Burkett scored three points.

Payal Chaudari had two points.

Mattingly netted for two points, and had two steals.

Kelly Horne had three assists.

The Lady Warriors hit the hardwood against Brookwood on December 3, and those statistics will be forthcoming.

Action continues against Robert F. Munroe, December 5 at 6 p.m., home; Tallavana Christian, December 6 at 6 p.m., home; Lafayette, December 9 at 6 p.m., home; FAMU, December 10 at 6 p.m., away; Tallavana Christian, December 12 at 6 p.m., there; Madison County, December 16 at 6 p.m., home; and Lafayette, December 20 at 5:30 p.m., away.

Warriors Lose Second Pre-Season Game

FRAN HUNT
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Staff Writer

The Aucilla Christian Academy varsity Warriors hit the hardwood against John Paul II on November 14 in the second pre-season game, which resulted in a close 30-27 loss.

As a team, the Warriors hit seven out of 34 attempts from the field, seven of 27 attempts from the three-point zone, and two of five attempts from the free-throw line for 37 points. They collected eight assists, 10 offensive and 21 defensive rebounds for a total of 31 rebounds, with 23 block/steals, and 13 turnovers.

Individually, Braden Mattingly missed one attempt from the field, bucketed three of six attempts from the three-point zone, and one of two attempts from the free-throw line for 10 points. He had two assists, one offensive and four defensive rebounds for a total of five rebounds, with three block/steals, and one turnover.

Brandon Holm hit one of five attempts from the field, and missed one attempt from the three-point zone for two points. He had one offensive and three defensive rebounds for a total of four rebounds, with one block/steal, and one turnover.

Zack Arceneaux had four defensive rebounds, two block/steals, and one

turnover.

Ricky Finlayson netted one of three attempts from the field, and three of 11 attempts from the three-point zone for 11 points. He had one assist, one defensive rebound, four block/steals, and three turnovers.

Timmy Burrus missed five attempts from the field, and one attempt from the three-point zone. He had one offensive and two defensive rebounds for a total of three rebounds, with one block/steal, and two turnovers.

Gatlin Nennstiel netted one of two attempts from the field, missed one attempt from the three-point zone, and hit one of two attempts from the free-throw line for three points. He had one offensive and three defensive rebounds for a total of four rebounds,

with one block/steal, and one turnover.

Shawn Blue missed four attempts from the field, and hit one of seven attempts from the three-point zone for three points. He had four assists, two offensive rebounds, three block/steals, and one turnover.

Steven Trest netted one of eight attempts from the field, and missed one attempt from the three-point zone for two points. He had four offensive and three defensive rebounds for a total of seven rebounds, with two block/steals, and three turnovers.

Carson Nennstiel bucketed three of five attempts from the field, and missed one attempt from the free-throw line for six points. He had one assist, one defensive rebound, and six block/steals.

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SPORTS

Lady Tigers Add Two Wins

FRAN HUNT
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The Jefferson County Lady Tigers basketball team added two wins to their record, to now stand 4-0 on the season.

The Lady Tigers hit the hardwood against Lincoln on November 15, and Jefferson downed their opponent for a 37-33 win.

Briana Robinson targeted for 12 points, with four rebounds, and four steals.

Brianna Graham had two points, with two rebounds, and four steals.

Audrianna Noel bucketed for nine points, with seven rebounds, two steals, and two blocked shots.

Jakeia Morris targeted for 11 points, snagged seven rebounds, one steal, and had four blocked shots.

Ambrosia Branham had eight rebounds, one assist, one steal, and two blocked shots.

Jakaya Broxsie had



two points, six rebounds, and one blocked shot.

The Lady Tigers squared off against West Gadsden on November 19, and Jefferson came out on top of a 49-35 scoreboard.

Robinson netted for eight points, with two rebounds, four assists, and four steals.

Graham targeted for 13 points, snagged seven rebounds, with one assist, and four steals.

Noel targeted for 12 points, and snagged 10 rebounds for the season's first double-double, with one assist, and three steals.

Morris bucketed for 11 points, with four rebounds, one steal, and three blocked shots.

Branham scored

six points, with eight rebounds, and had one blocked shot.

Broxsie had two points, and seven rebounds.

Alayja Darity had one rebound.

Rokendra Smith had one steal.

The Lady Tigers hit the hardwood against Chiles, November 21 and those statistics will be forthcoming.

Action continues against Branford, December 5 at 6 p.m., away; Taylor County, December 6 at 6 p.m., home; Hamilton, December 10 at 6 p.m., home; Lincoln, December 12 at 6 p.m., away; Chiles, December 16 at 6 p.m., home; Mayo, December 19 at 6 p.m., away; and Madison, December 20 at 6 p.m., away.

Middle School Warriors 0-3

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The Aucilla Christian Academy middle school Warriors lost the first three games on the hardwood, to now stand 0-3 on the season.

The Warriors hit the basketball court against Madison Academy on November 12 and Aucilla suffered a 35-21 loss.

Jake Freeland netted for eight points, and snagged 15 rebounds.

Timothy Finlayson bucketed for six points.

Ryan Jackson scored five points.

Joe Walton grabbed eight rebounds.

Dilyn Stowers scored two points.

The young Warriors hit the hardwood against Holy Comforter on November 14, and Aucilla was downed for a 44-30 loss.

Timothy Finlayson targeted for 17 points, to lead the young Warriors scoreboard.

Joe Walton netted for nine points.

Jake Freeland snagged nine rebounds, and scored two points.

Ryan Jackson had two points, and four assists.

The young Warriors faced off against Highland Christian on November 19, and Aucilla was walloped for a 36-16 loss.

Jake Freeland bucketed for 10 points, and snagged nine re-

bounds, just short of a double-double.

Timothy Finlayson netted for five points.

Brandon Bates scored one point.

Ayush Patel had three rebounds.

The young Warriors have since played North Florida Christian on November 26 and Madison Academy, December 3. Those statistics will be forthcoming.

Action continues against Munroe, December 5 at 3:30 p.m., home; Mayo, December 6 at 5 p.m., home; Mayo, December 9 at 6 p.m., away; Munroe, December 10 at 5 p.m., away; and wrapping up the season, North Florida Christian, December 13 at 3:30 p.m., home.

Warriors Lose To FAMU

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The Aucilla Christian Academy varsity Warriors hit the hardwood against FAMU on November 21, and suffered an 83-56 loss, to now stand 1-1 on the season.

As a team, the Warriors bucketed 13 out of 45 attempts from the field, netted six of 21 attempts from the three-point zone, and targeted 12 of 19 attempts from the free-throw line for 56 points. They collected 11 assists, 13 offensive and 25 defensive rebounds for a total of 38 rebounds, with 14 fouls, four block/steals, and 21 turnovers.

Individually, Braden Mattingly hit one of seven attempts from the field, missed three attempts from the three-point zone, and netted four of six attempts from the free-throw line for six points. He had three assists, two offensive and two defensive rebounds for a total of four rebounds, with four fouls, and three turnovers.

Brandon Holm hit

one of six attempts from the field, and missed one attempt from the three-point zone for two points. He had one assist, two offensive and three defensive rebounds for a total of five rebounds, with one foul, two block/steals, and two turnovers.

Zack Arceneaux netted one of three attempts from the field, and missed one attempt from the free-throw line for two points. He had two offensive rebounds, and two turnovers.

Ricky Finlayson bucketed two of four attempts from the field, targeted four of nine attempts from the three-point zone, and four of four attempts from the free-throw line for 20 points to lead the Warrior scoreboard. He collected two assists, one defensive rebound, one foul, and three turnovers.

Timmy Burrus hit one of four attempts from the field, and one of one attempt from the three-point zone for five points. He had one defensive rebound, three fouls, one block/steal, and one turnover.

Casey Demott tar-

geted four of six attempts from the field, and missed two attempts from the free-throw line for eight points. He had one offensive and seven defensive rebounds for a total of eight rebounds, with three fouls, and one turnover.

Shawn Blue bucketed two of six attempts from the field, hit one of six attempts from the three-point zone, and netted four of six attempts from the free-throw line for 11 points. He had one assist, one offensive and two defensive rebounds for a total of three rebounds, with one foul, one block/steal, and four turnovers.

Steven Trest missed seven attempts from the field. He had one assist, four offensive and six defensive rebounds for a total of 10 rebounds, with one turnover.

Carson Nennstiel hit one of two attempts from the field, and missed one attempt from the three-point zone for two points. He had three assists, four defensive rebounds, one foul, and four turnovers.

Middle School Lady Warriors Take First Three

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The Aucilla Christian Academy middle school Lady Warriors took the first three games of the season to now stand at an undefeated 3-0.

The young Lady Warriors hit the hardwood against New Testament on November 11, and Aucilla walloped their opponent for a 36-17 victory.

Katie James targeted for nine points, with four rebounds.

Camryn Grant bucketed for eight points, and snagged 14 rebounds, and seven steals.

Elizabeth Hightower had seven points, and five steals.

Megan Schofill bucketed for six points, and had three assists.

Carly Joiner netted for four points, with five assists, and seven

rebounds.

Shayma Lott scored two points.

On November 14, the young Lady Warriors squared off against the young Lady Eagles of North Florida Christian, and Aucilla squeaked their opponent for a 26-25 win.

Joiner targeted for 11 points, and snagged nine steals.

Hightower netted seven points, and had three steals.

Abigail Morgan scored five points.

James had two points.

Skylar Dickey scored one point.

The young Lady Warriors hit the hardwood against Highland Christian on November 19, and Aucilla came out on top of an 18-7 scoreboard.

Grant bucketed for six points, and snagged nine rebounds.

Hightower netted six points, with five

steals.

Haley Jones had two points.

Schofill scored two points.

Morgan grabbed five rebounds.

Joiner had three assists, and two steals.

ACA faced off against New Testament, November 22, Georgia Christian, November 25, and North Florida Christian, November 26. Those statistics will be forthcoming.

Action continues against Munroe, December 5 at 2:30 p.m., home; Mayo, December 6 at 4 p.m., home; Mayo, December 9 at 5 p.m., away; Munroe, December 10 at 4 p.m., away; Highland Christian, January 7 at 4 p.m., home; Brookwood, January 10 at 4 p.m., away; Georgia Christian, January 13 at 4 p.m., home; and wrapping up the season, Brookwood, January 14 at 4:30 p.m., home.

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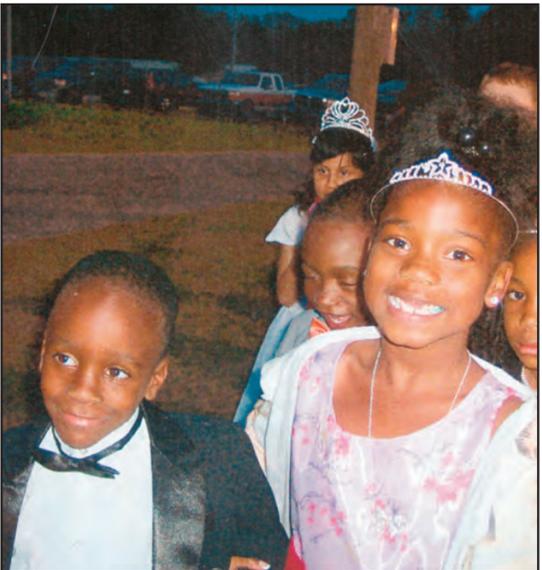
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The students at Jefferson Elementary School celebrated their third annual Spirit Week, November 12-15, and they began voting early in the week to select one boy and one girl as the Homecoming representatives for each grade level.

The week saw Tacky Day, Favorite Team Jersey Day, Orange And Blue Homecoming Day, and Pajama Day, which concluded with a big screen presentation under the stars, of the movie, "Monster's University."

The highlight of the week though, was the halftime festivities during the Homecoming game between the JES Mighty Tigers and the Recreation Department team, the Chargers, with the crowning of the Homecoming representatives, and the Homecoming King and Queen.

The pre-k representatives were Barbara Darity, the daughter of Alonzo and Samantha Darity; and Garrett Ray

Breland, the son of Jason and Amanda Breland.

The kindergarten representatives were Desire Nealy, the daughter of Curtis Hagan; and Isaiah Butler, the son of Shakeria Norton and Kelvin Salters, Jr.

The first grade representatives were Keonna Mays, the daughter of Delvin and Keyla Mays; and Mekhi Roberts, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Esharn Morris.

The second grade representatives were Alexis Miller, the daughter of Troyelle Miller; and Julius Darity, the daughter of Alonzo and Samantha Darity.

The third grade representatives were Zakhia Coates, the daughter of Malinda Thompson and Antwon Coates; Alejandra Nogal, the daughter of Remedeas and Alex Nogal; and Justice Walker, the son of James and Scarlett Walker.

The fourth grade representatives were Jakayla Bellamy, the daughter of Keonjala Jones and Montrell Bel-

lamy; and Ryan Walker, the son of Robert and Mary Walker.

The fifth grade representatives included Jamariya Young, the daughter of Antwan Young and Tonji Crumity; Jayden Burns, the son of Wendy Hughes and John Burns; Jakeysiya Denson, the daughter of Tonji Crumity; Marquellus Hawkins, the son of Felicia Hawkins; Karisha Wade, the daughter of Fawntisha Wade; JaMichael Stee,

the son of Jonathan Steen and Shirley Trumpet; Tere'e'Yona Dunlap, the daughter of Juline Harris and Tere'e Dunlap; and Michael Owens, the son of Michael Owens, Sr., and Meka Mack.

The 2012-2013 JES Homecoming King Anthony Seaton, and Queen Cindy Le, passed the torch on to, and crowned the new 2013-2014 JES Homecoming King Michael Owens, and Queen Tere'e'Yona Dunlap.



JES fourth grade Homecoming representatives Ryan Walker, left, and Jakayla Bellamy, right.



JES Homecoming representatives, sisters Jakeysiya Denson, (sixth grade) left, and Jamariya Young, (fifth grade) right.



JES third grade Homecoming representatives Justice Walker and Zakhia Coates.

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AROUND JEFFERSON COUNTY

Bob Quick Visits Monticello



Front, L-R: Conrad Quick and Bob Quick. Back, L-R: Jim Iten, EMS Chief; Chris Lundstrom, Lieutenant; Mike Ebert, Captain; Steven Valente, Firefighter; Tayler Jacques, Firefighter; Lance Blomeley, Firefighter.

AMBER HOUSTON
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On November 21 and 22, Bob and Conrad Quick of Bob Quick's Journey spent a night here in Monticello at the Jefferson County Fire Rescue (JCFR) facility.

The father-son team was biking from San Diego, California to St. Augustine, Florida. They arrived in St. Augustine on December 3.

To Conrad, this journey was "the bike trip that dad always talked about, as long as I can remember," he said. To Bob it was victory over years of sickness, surgeries, recovery, and even death. It was the result of hard work, dedication, faith in God, and an indomitable spirit.

See, Bob has heart disease. Nine years ago, at age 44, he suffered a heart attack while working out at the gym near his home in Roy, Utah. "For three and a half minutes, I was dead," Bob said.

Luckily for him, the paramedics showed an indomitable spirit before he even got his. "They worked on me tirelessly and eventually revived me. That was Marla, Captain Easton, and Jeremy—they were all there. They worked on me."

They saved him. But recovery was long and slow. When he got home from the hospital, Bob recalls, "I walked mailbox to mailbox, then out of the neighborhood, then out of the city, and then—

bam!—there I was back on the operating table."

Between 2004 when he experienced his massive heart attack and now, Bob has received 16 stents and a pacemaker defibrillator. He has also biked across the continental United States, through desert and swamp; storm and cold and heat; exhaustion and broken bikes; every obstacle imaginable Bob has overcome.

Along the way, Bob has stayed mostly with fire departments. He has a special respect for firefighters and emergency medical technicians—both volunteer and paid. "They saved my life," Bob said plainly. "If they would've given up, I wouldn't be here today. Those men and women across the country are a breed apart, and they're all heroes."

While he was here, Bob won the hearts of Misty and Eric Brown, owners of the beloved and local Hilltop store, along with the on-duty men and women of the JCFR. JCFR personnel got to sign the duo's bags, a privilege afforded only to firefighters across the country along the Quicks' journey.

But "The Journey" wasn't just for fun. Along the way, Bob has been raising money for various charitable organizations. They include: the Wounded

Warrior Project, Primary Children's Hospital, the Special Olympics, Roy City Fire Department, and the McKay-Dee Hospital.

At the time of interview, he had only raised \$5,000 dollars, but was sticking to his goal of raising \$1 million for these charities. He declared, "I'm going after Donald Trump and Bill Gates. I'm going after all the big guys and say-

ing 'it's tax time, and America needs you. Time to step up to the plate and donate.'" He added more softly, "I haven't done any of this for me. I've wanted to take this ride my entire life, but it ain't about me. It's about helping others and showing people that God can do anything."

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AROUND JEFFERSON COUNTY

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The Salvation Army Bell Ringing Season began in Jefferson County just after Thanksgiving on Friday, November 29 and will continue through to Christmas Eve on December 24 in front

of Winn Dixie, on South Jefferson and at Fred's department store on North Jefferson.

Volunteers are still needed as Bell Ringers. If you or your group would like to volunteer, contact Coordinator Georgiana Barker at 850-342-4694. Other volunteers include Joe

Anderson, Melissa Watson, and Steve Hall.

Volunteers help to fulfill the Salvation Army promise to America of 'Doing the Most Good.' Volunteers help to reach its goal of helping others in need. It only takes one shift to raise enough money to provide two nights

of shelter and four warm meals for the men, women, and children who enter its doors every day.

The Salvation Army is an international movement, an evangelical part of the universal Christian church. Its message this year... Bell ringing burns calories!



Mary Ulee with Salvation Army Bell Ringer George King in front of the Winn Dixie store.

Cross Landings Hosts Christmas Party For Its Residents



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Cross Landings Health & Rehabilitation Center will hold its annual Residents Christmas Party at 2 p.m. on Saturday, December 14. The community, family, and friends are invited and encouraged to come celebrate and enjoy a good time.

Facility Administrator Kay Maley welcomes all guests and volunteers to stay after the party to visit more with the residents.

Rev. Walter Thompson will offer a prayer and blessing and the Angel Band will per-

form some old time favorite Christmas music.

And, of course, Santa will arrive bearing gifts for each and every resident from family members, staff, and community friends.

Come enjoy refreshments and put a smile on the faces of these wonderful people. Be sure to label the gifts you bring before you wrap them.

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