

Time Maybe Favorable For Return Of Tung Oil Industry



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It's reported in a 1988 *Monticello News* article that the springtime blossoms of tung tree orchards once graced the Jefferson County countryside from horizon to horizon and attracted hundreds of tourists and sightseers during the peak of the season.

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Long time county residents probably can remember a time in the 50s and 60s when tung tree orchards covered vast acreage in Jefferson County and the nuts of which trees were a viable crop that helped boost the local economy.

oil derived from the nuts was used in a variety of manufactured products, including wood finishes, paints, printing inks and cosmetics.

Jefferson County, in fact, was once part of the Tung Belt, a 100-wide deep crescent along the Gulf of Mexico that stretched from central Florida to east Texas and included southern Georgia.

It's reported in a

1988 *Monticello News* article that at one time plantations such as Anderson and Chase Groves in the Lamont area, Pinckney Hill in the Ashville area, and Jumpie Run east of Monticello were big tung oil producers and "fortunes were made through (the trees') cultivation."

It's further reported in the News that in the Capps area, the 38,000-acre Tungston

Plantation — owned by Ohio industrialist Everett P. Larsh — at one time was the state's largest tung oil producer.

"The Tungston Plantation and other growers throughout the county generated millions of dollars in business from the 1920s to the middle of the 1970s," the News article states. "During that 50-
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New Rule Proposed For Streams And Wetlands

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The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Army Corps) last week announced a proposed rule under the Clean Water Act that aims to clarify protection of streams and wetlands, considered the foundation of the nation's water resources.

The proposed rule, which was released on Tuesday, March 25, and is likely to impact Jefferson County — is said will better protect aquatic resources "by strengthening the consistency, predictability and transparency of jurisdictional determinations."

It's also said the rule will benefit businesses by increasing efficiency in determining the Clean Water Act's coverage.

As part of what is described as "a robust outreach effort", the two agencies plan to hold a series of discussions around the country during the next three months to gather input for the shaping of the final rule.

The EPA and Army Corps point out that determining Clean Water Act protection for

streams and wetlands became particularly confusing and complex in the wake of Supreme Court decisions in 2001 and 2006. Ever since, according to the two agencies, members of Congress, state and local officials, industry leaders, agriculture and environmental groups and even everyday citizens have been clamoring for clarification of the protection, which applies to all Clean Water Act programs.

The rule does not, the two agencies emphasize, break any new ground in terms of protecting any types of waters not historically covered under the Clean Water Act. Moreover, it's the two agencies' representation that the rule abides with the Supreme Court's more narrow reading of the Clean Water Act jurisdiction.

"We're clarifying protection for the upstream waters that are absolutely vital to downstream communities," EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy is quoted saying. "Clean water is essential to every American, from families who rely on safe places to swim and healthy fish to eat, to farmers who need abundant water for their crops."
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Rains Road Fire Victim Seeks Relief

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Bessie Thomas of Jefferson County is a grandmother whose house burned down on Tuesday, March 18. She is requesting the public's assistance in rebuilding her home and life.

Thomas sends much gratitude to the churches that have already donated: thanks to the efforts of local religious organizations, her clothing needs are practically met.

However, she still needs toiletries, and diapers for her two-year-old grandson who lives with her and many baby needs. "His



Bessie Thomas is seeking any help in rebuilding her life after a fire destroyed her home on March 18.

toys all burned up, too," Thomas said.

Thomas is living with her children right now, but needs a

better short-term arrangement. She is also looking for a way to get a new mobile home on the property. Once she does, she will need furniture, appliances, etc.

It may seem like a lot, but when we consider the variety of items that the average home contains and the fact that not one thing survived the fire, the scope of Thomas' need comes into focus.

Despite her circumstances, Thomas is cheerful. "God takes care of me, so I ain't worried about it, sugar. He promises to always be good to the people He loves."

To donate to Thomas, contact the Senior Citizens Center at 342-0242.

Florida's Jobless Rate Stays Steady At 6.2 % (Slight Rate Rise In Jefferson, Madison)

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Florida's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 6.2 percent in February, unchanged from the last two months, according to figures released by the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (FDEO) on Friday, March 28.

The state agency reports that 6.2 percent is the lowest unemployment rate since June 2008, when it was 6.0 percent. Nationally, the jobless rate remained at 6.7 percent for the third month, 0.5-percentage point higher than the state rate.

In Jefferson and Madison counties, the jobless rates rose slightly to 5.9 and 8.6

percent, from 5.5 and 8.5 percents in January, respectively.

Statewide, the 6.2 percent represents 588,000 jobless Floridians out of a labor force of 9,515,000 — not counting individuals who have given up the search for work or are underemployed or employed part time.

Per the FDEO, Florida's seasonally ad-

justed total nonagricultural employment was 7,718,500 in February, an increase of 33,400 jobs over the month. Seasonally adjusted means the numbers have been purged of seasonal and other factors that could skew the results.

"Compared to February a year ago, the number of jobs in the
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Study Finds State Fiscally Healthy

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A recent university study ranks Florida among the top 10 states in the nation for overall fiscal health, based on its ability to meet its short and long-term obligations

The study, by Dr. Sarah Arnett of the Mercatus Center at George Mason University, sought to examine states' abilities to meet their financial obligations in the face of budget challenges post the Great Recession.

Keep in mind, however, that the study utilized 2012 financial reporting data to make its evaluation and rank the 50 states. The financial situation, particularly for Florida, has changed in the intervening year.

The study utilized four indices to measure a state's solvency. The four were cash solvency, budget solvency, long-run solvency and service level solvency.

At the time of the study, as its introduction makes clear, many states were feeling the effects of the Great Recession and were facing severe fiscal challenges resulting from healthcare costs, employee pensions and other such expenses.

The study ranked Florida in sixth place overall for fiscal health, following — in order of the healthiest — Alaska, South Dakota, North Dakota,
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Local Weather

Wed 4/2 80/50
Mainly sunny. High near 80F. Winds light and variable.

Thu 4/3 83/53
A few clouds. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the low 50s.

Fri 4/4 82/59
Partly cloudy. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the upper 50s.



GM Vehicles

Beginning Feb 13, General Motors has recalled about 1.4 million vehicles in which the ignition switch can be jarred out of the "run" position, shutting off the car's electrical system and causing the engine to lose power. If the vehicle subsequently crashes, the air bags will not deploy. The models involved are: all 2005-2007 Chevrolet Cobalt and Pontiac G5; 2003-2007 Saturn Ion; 2006-2007 Chevrolet HHR; 2005-2006 Pontiac Pursuit (Canada); 2006-2007 Pontiac Solstice; 2007 Pontiac Sky.

GM mailed out letters to all owners of these vehicles on March 10, advising them to use only the key with nothing else attached to it, until the vehicles can be brought in and the switch replaced. The company advises that afterward, customers should still use only the key and key ring, with nothing else attached, as a safety precaution.

Nissan Vehicles

Nissan is recalling nearly one million cars because of a software fault that determines whether or not the passenger seat is occupied, and whether or not the

airbag should deploy. The models affected are: 544,000 Altima sedans; 29,000 Leaf electric vehicles; 124,000 Pathfinder SUVs; 183,000 Sentra compacts; 6,700 NV200 taxis. Over 100,000 Infiniti models are also affected, including the 2013 JX35, the 2014 QX60 and the 2014 Q50 sedan.

My Sweet Love Baby Doll

Walmart has issued a recall of 174,000 My Sweet Love/My Sweet Baby Cuddle Care electronic baby dolls. The 16-inch doll, dressed in pink pajamas and equipped with a toy medical bag, coughs and babbles when it is "sick." The problem is that the circuit board in the doll's chest overheats, enough to cause burns or blisters to children's fingers. The doll was sold at Walmart from August of 2012 through March of 2014. Customers should immediately return the dolls to any Walmart store for a full refund.

Oscars Smoke House Cheese Spread

Oscar's Smoke House is recalling 11 of its cheese spread varieties, due to possible listeria contamination. The seven-ounce con-

tainers in question are labeled with lot numbers 719-959.

Fresh Express Italian Dressing

Fresh Express is recalling its Italian Salad, in 6-oz and 10-oz containers, with use-by date of March 26, and product code H071A11A, also for possible listeria contamination.

Lipari Foods Sunflower Seeds

Lipari Foods is recalling sunflower seeds and snack food mixes for possible listeria contamination. The product names include Zoppity and Pic-a-Nut. For the complete list, visit their website.

Parker Foods

Listeria concerns also hang over the Parker Foods recall over the weekend; listeria has an incubation period of up to 70 days, so the USDA will remain on alert for any listeria-related illnesses for the next few weeks. Parker Foods is a Midwestern-based company, but with widespread distribution through retailers like Costco. For a full update on the Parker Foods story, visit their website.

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 -

I'm Baffled At School District's Recent Decisions

Too many times I am in a position that hinders my ability to address certain issues concerning school board or school district issues, but this is one time that I cannot remain silent. Under the headline "School Dist. Sprucing Up Two Of Its Old Buildings" (front page article, Wednesday, 3/19/2014), I read and re-read this article and was incensed about two things. Firstly, and primarily, the \$1 million that the school district is to receive or already has received for the burned building at Jefferson Elementary School is to be used for renovating the former School Board office on W. Washington St.

I understand that it was not the current superintendent's decision to move the county office to its existing location. However, I am stumped as to why this money has to be used in

this manner at this time. There are so many basic academic and technological needs for all of our county students as well as essential tools that teachers need in the classrooms, and most people of Jefferson County know that these needs have been ongoing for some time now.

The building that burned was on the property of the elementary school. Why is the money, or at least a major portion of it, NOT going back to the school for NEEDED expenditures? What about the safety issues that remain unresolved? Intercom system? Walkie-talkies? Doors that lock properly?

The Active Shooter Training Exercise that simulated an intruder in the campus of the JCES on Monday, 3/24/14, revealed much in the way of insufficient safety features. It

bothers me that Mr. Lloyd is quick to release monies for renovating the old school board office, but why is there always such a problem in obtaining funds for what is ABSOLUTELY necessary for the safety and academic progress of the children of this county?

My second problem is that this article mentioned at the very end of the article where the source of funding the renovations of the W. Washington facility was coming from. Why was that not THE headline of the article? I can only say, from my own point of view, shame on the District office for overlooking what should be an obvious priority in the expenditures of these funds, and shame on the local news source for reporting the source of the funding as a side bar in that article.

Jeff Whitty

Searching For Ambrosia

Rose Klein
Guest Columnist



Grilled Cheese Gets All Grown-Up



Greene Publishing, Inc. Photo by Rose Klein, March 28, 2014
A grilled cheese sandwich, gooey and overflowing, made gourmet by adult additions.

Grilled cheese sandwiches are a food loved by both kids and adults. The sandwiches are uncomplicated to make and requires very little in the way of preparation. A few slices of buttered bread, some cheese and a skillet are all you need to make a quick lunch or dinner. Besides being simple to make, it is also simple to eat. Kids love it for the honest flavor of the straightforward ingredients and the gooiness of the melted cheese that flows from the cut edges of the bread.

The sandwich most adults remember from their past was American cheese slices between white bread that had been covered in butter and toasted to a

golden brown. Soup, especially tomato, was a common side to the sandwich. Since around 2011, the classic grilled cheese started to transform and began growing in popularity, establishing itself as a prevalent food trend. Versions of grilled cheese can now be found on food blogs and recipe sites on the Internet, in food trucks that sell them curbside and restaurant menus, all the way from pubs to very fine eateries.

Eating at my friend Holly's house this past weekend, I was excited to find out we were having grilled cheese and tomato soup. Holly is a great cook so I knew it wouldn't be the average sandwich and soup combo. The sandwich ingredients were pre-

pared and laid out for us so we could personalize our sandwich by choosing the ingredients we like. The soup wasn't just plain tomato soup from a can; it was homemade tomato bisque, smooth with cream and just a few chunks of tomato for bite and flavor. The base of the sandwich was Muenster cheese and sourdough bread. The add-ins was caramelized onions, sautéed mushrooms, mustard and kale pesto. Everyone had a good time selecting their ingredients and then experiencing their customized sandwich before lumbering to the patio to digest the huge amount of cheese we had all just consumed.

Today's grilled cheese has many variations of the three major components. Breads could include white, whole grain, rye, brioche, sourdough and even cinnamon-raisin. Cheeses could be a combination of cheddar, hot pepper, fresh mozzarella or goat cheese, Brie or pimento cheese. Add-ins could be proteins such as bacon or ham; fruits such as apples or fresh figs; vegetables such as spinach or avocado and spreads such as jam, mustard or barbecue sauce. As many foods there are that you like, are the many endless combinations you could create when making your own gourmet grilled cheese at home. But, if you've had a hard day and need some comforting or just need something quick and easy, a little bit of cheese and butter with two slices of bread (crust optional) might just help you feel like a kid again.

Pictures from the PAST



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Trophy winners pose with their prize winning watermelons at the watermelon festival - Monticello, Florida in 1973.

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year span, tung oil production on large tracts of land reached a peak during the 1960s and gradually declined.”

That decline is generally attributed to weather (freezes and hurricanes), foreign competition and the development of synthetic alternatives, among other factors, with the devastation wreck by Hurricane Camille in 1969 effectively sounding the death knell for the industry.

Today, tung trees mostly grow in the wild, and no doubt not a few county residents have them growing in their properties and may even appreciate the trees' springtime salmon-pink blossoms, notwithstanding the fruit's toxicity.

Imagine now, if you will, the cultivation of tung trees and the production of tung oil once again becoming commercially viable in Jefferson County. If you were to talk to Greg Frost, you would learn that this is exactly what he has in mind.

Frost, director of administrative services for the Tallahassee Police Department, launched Gulf Coast Tung Oil LLC in 2011 and has since planted a combined 50 acres of tung tree orchards in Jefferson and Leon counties, altogether numbering about 5,000 trees. His goal is eventually to set up an oil-pressing mill in Tallahassee and mostly wholesale the oil, although he envisions also retailing some to local woodworkers, hardwood floor installers and the like.

“We actually have buyers already lined up and waiting for us to produce the oil,” Frost says, naming as two potential customers a chemical supply company in California and a wood finish manufacturer in Vermont. “These folks say if we can provide a good quality oil at a competitive price, they'll never buy oil from overseas again and they'll use us as their supplier. It's a bit of an unusual business model, where we have buyers waiting for us.”

Frost figures his oil production will initially be about 40-gallons per acre, once the trees begin producing nuts at four or so years (His orchards

are going on three years now). And once the trees mature at seven or eight years, he foresees production increasing to about 80-gallons per acre. Ultimately, of course, total oil production will depend on the number of acreage planted in tung trees.

Which brings up the question of who will plant the additional acreage?

It's Frost's hope, if not part of his business plan, that other landowners will join in the venture by planting portions of their lands in tung trees. Frost doesn't minimize the difficulties involved in such an enterprise, given the several years it takes for the trees to begin producing nuts.

“It's a big commitment,” he says. “It's not for everyone.”

He offers that farmers who depend on annual crops for their livelihood will likely not find the proposition appealing or doable. For landowners with a long-term vision for the use of their lands and who recognize the validity of the enterprise, however, the proposition presents a unique opportunity, Frost says.

And in fact, landowners' response has generally been positive, he says.

“There's actually been a lot of interest,” Frost says. “We've got several folks we're talking with right now about how putting tung trees on their properties might fit with how they want to use their land.”

Given the industry's demise in the 60s, what makes him think the time is now propitious for its revival?

The fact is, Frost says, that notwithstanding that demise, a niche market for tung oil has continued to exist in this country, comprised of manufactures that must have the oil in their products. Currently these manufacturers must rely on imported tung oil from China and South America, he says. Meaning that they must order the oil in large quantities, wait lengthy periods for its delivery, and pay a high price to boot. Not to mention having to deal with the storage of the oil, he says.

Domestic produc-

tion, on the other hand, would allow U.S. manufacturers to get quick delivery of good quality tung oil and get it at a reasonable price, Frost says.

“If you need three 55-gallon drums, we can have that at your facility within three or four days versus you've got to buy a boatload of this stuff from China and you've got to wait months to get it imported and actually get it to your doorstep,” Frost says.

He says the idea for the enterprise came from his longtime interest in woodworking and his familiarity with tung trees, one of which grows in his yard. It was his wife's suggestion that they make their own tung oil for a small table they were finishing that got him started doing research on how to produce the oil, he says. And once the research revealed to him the existence of the niche market and this area's rich history in tung oil production, he was hooked, Frost says.

“Once I realize that, it was like, let's see if we can put a small agribusiness together and have another domestic supply,” he says. “And it just grew from there.”

Beyond his immediate family, Frost has been joined in the enterprise by Jeff Phipps, who owns the property on which is planted the Leon County orchard. The orchard in Jefferson County, meanwhile, is planted on land owned by Harold Lane.

Frost has since secured an agreement with the USDA's Thad Cochran Southern Horticultural Research Laboratory in Poplarville, MI, giving him access to a tung cultivar that blooms later than the traditional trees and is thus at less risk of freezing.

“The future orchards that we'll be expanding will have this cultivar available, which hopefully means we'll have better oil and more oil and fewer crop losses due to late season frost,” Frost says.

He asks anyone interested in exploring the possibility and benefits of growing tung trees on their lands to contact him at (850) 524-2852 or gulfcoasttungoil@gmail.com.

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tion, up 2,000 jobs.

The only industry continuing to lose jobs over the year was total government, down 1,000 jobs, with both state and federal cutbacks contributing to the loss.

Monroe County continued to have the state's lowest unemployment rate at 3.8 percent, followed by Walton County at 4.2 percent; Alachua and Okaloosa counties at 5.0 percent; and Bradford and St. Johns counties at 5.2 percent.

Hendry County continued to have the state's highest unemployment rate at 9.8 percent, followed by Flagler County at 9.4 percent; Hamilton County at 9.0 percent; and Hernando, Madison and Putnam counties at 8.6 percent.

For the second consecutive month, no county had double-digit unemployment in February.

New Rule

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dant and reliable sources of water to grow their crops, to hunters and fishermen who depend on healthy waters for recreation and their work, to businesses that need a steady supply of water for operations.”

According to the EPA and Army Corps, the health of rivers, lakes, bays, and coastal waters is dependent on the streams and wetlands that feed into them. What's more, according to the two agencies, streams and wetlands provide numerous benefits to communities, which benefits include trapping floodwaters, recharging groundwater supplies, removing pollutants and providing fish and wildlife habitats.

Streams and wetlands moreover are seen as economic drivers because of the roles they play relative such activities as fishing, hunting, agriculture, recreation, energy and manufacturing.

According to the EPA and Army Corps, about 60 percent of streams in the U.S flow only seasonally or after rain, yet all have a considerable impact on downstream waters. And approximately 117 million people — or one in three Americans — get their drinking water from public systems that partly rely on streams. The proposed rule specifically and explicitly clarifies that under the Clean Water Act, and

based on the science, most seasonal and rain-dependent streams and wetlands near rivers and streams are protected.

Other types of waters whose connections with downstream water and protection are not so easily or clearly discernible will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis to determine if its connection is significant, the agencies state. However, to provide more certainty, the two agencies request that stakeholders comment on possible options for protecting similarly situated waters in certain geographic areas, or adding to the categories of protected waters absent specific case-by-case analysis.

The proposed rule preserves the Clean Water Act exemptions and exclusions for agriculture. Additionally, the EPA and the Army Corps say they have coordinated with the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) to develop an interpretive rule to ensure that 53 specific conservation practices that protect or improve water quality will not be subject to Section 404 dredged or fill permitting requirements.

The agencies plan to work together to implement the new exemptions and periodically review and update USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service conservation practice standards and activities that would

qualify under the exemption. Any agriculture activity that does not result in the discharge of a pollutant into waters of the U.S. still does not require a permit.

The proposed rule is also supposed to help states and tribes, given that according to a study by the Environmental Law Institute, 36 states have legal limitations on their ability to fully protect waters that aren't covered by the Clean Water Act.

The proposed rule is said to be supported by the latest peer-reviewed science, including a draft scientific assessment by the EPA, which presents a review and synthesis of more than 1,000 pieces of scientific literature. The rule will not be finalized until the final version of this scientific assessment is complete.

The literature reveals that 40 years ago, two-thirds of the nation's lakes, rivers and coastal waters were unsafe for fishing and swimming. Because of the Clean Water Act, however, that number has been reduced by half. Still, one-third of the nation's waters have yet to meet the standards.

The proposed rule will be open for public comment during the next 90 days, while the interpretive rule for agricultural activities becomes effective immediately. For more information, visit www.epa.gov/uswaters.

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Nebraska and Wyoming, and followed by Ohio, Tennessee, Montana and Alabama among the top 10.

The 10 states ranked as fiscally unhealthy and at the bottom of the list were Kentucky, in 40th place, followed by West Virginia, Pennsylvania, Hawaii, Maryland, New York, California, Massachusetts, Illinois, Connecticut and New Jersey in 50th place.

“Although the overall ranking is a snapshot in time, the states at the bottom are there due to years of poor financial management decisions, bad economic conditions, or a combination of both,” the study concluded. It cited New Jersey and Connecticut as particularly emblematic of the problem.

“New Jersey and Connecticut face similar problems: tax revenues that have not kept up with expenditures, use of budget practices that only appeared to balance their annual budgets, and significant debt levels as a result of decades of using bonds without being able to pay for them. In addition, both states have underfunded their pension systems, resulting in billions in unfunded liabilities.”

The study defined cash solvency as cash that a state could easily access to pay its bills in the near term, i.e., a state government's liquidity. Most states, the study concluded, had sufficient cash on hand to meet their short-

term obligations. Florida ranked in fourth place in cash solvency.

The study defined budget solvency as a state's ability to create enough revenue to cover its expenditures over a fiscal year. Budget solvency, according to the study, varied greatly from state to state.

Florida ranked 13th in budget solvency.

The study defined the long-run solvency as a measure of a state's ability to cover all its costs with incoming revenue, including long-term obligations such as guaranteed pension benefits and replacing infrastructure. Relative to the other measures, long-run solvency is less sensitive to economic trends, the study states.

Florida ranked 37th in long-run solvency.

The study defined service-level solvency as reflecting whether state governments had the resources to provide their residents with adequate level of services.

“Service-level solvency is the most difficult to measure because it reflects whether state governments have the resources to provide their residents with an adequate level of services,” the report states. “A state's service-level solvency is measured using taxes and revenue per capita, along with expenditures per capita.”

Florida ranked in 2nd place in service-level solvency.

The study con-

cluded that based on fiscal simulations by the Government Accountability Office and notwithstanding noticeable gains in tax revenues and pension assets, the long-term outlook for states' fiscal condition remained negative.

“These simulations predict that states will have yearly difficulties balancing revenues and expenditures due, in part, to rising health-care costs and the cost of funding state and local pensions,” the study stated.

Dr. Arnett has an MA in economics and a PhD in public policy. She has previously coauthored articles on state performance-based budgeting and is currently an analyst at the Government Accountability Office.

Jobless

state was up by 211,500, an increase of 2.8 percent,” the FDEO reports. “Florida's annual job growth has exceeded or been equal to the nation's rate since March 2012.”

For Jefferson County, the 5.9 percent rate translates into 376 jobless persons out of a labor force of 6,423, compared with 350 jobless persons out of a labor force of 6,328 in January, when the rate was 5.5 percent.

In February 2013, the comparable figures were 412 jobless persons out of a workforce of 6,289, when the unemployment rate was 6.6 percent.

For Madison County, the 8.6 percent translates into 602 jobless persons out of a labor force of 7,039, compared with 586 jobless persons out of a labor force of 6,931 in January,

when the rate was 8.5 percent.

In January 2012, the comparable figures were 668 jobless persons out of a labor force of 7,142, when the unemployment rate was 9.4 percent.

“February 2014 was the 43rd consecutive month with positive annual job growth after the state lost jobs for over three years,” the FDEO report states.

The industry gaining the most jobs continued to be trade, transportation and utilities, up 48,400 jobs; followed by professional and business services, up 47,900; construction, up 39,200 jobs; leisure and hospitality, up 35,700 jobs; private education and health services, up 15,400 jobs; financial activities, up 12,300 jobs; manufacturing, up 8,600 jobs; other services, up 3,000 jobs; and informa-

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CONNIE VONCILE LACY HUNTER

Connie Voncile Lacy Hunter was born in Madison County, FL on November 2, 1927 and was a lifelong resident of Jefferson County, FL. She was 86 years old.

Connie Voncile was affectionately known as "Mema" by the family and close friends.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Oliver Dixon Hunter Sr., her parents, Arch and Gladys Lacy, one brother F.A. "Andy" Lacy, all of Monticello.

She has two children, Iris Hunter Keen, husband John Keen of

Enterprise, AL.; and a son Oliver Dixon Hunter Jr. and wife Diane Hunter of Live Oak, FL. Four grandchildren, Sondra Keen Crawford, husband Henry Crawford of Tuscaloosa, AL; John "Jason" Keen, wife Shelly Keen of Panama City, FL; Timothy Dixon Hunter of Jacksonville, FL; Rebecca Diane Parker, husband Glenn Parker of Lake City, FL. Ten great grandchildren and one great great grandchild.

She was a member of Calvary Baptist Church, Monticello, FL. Lifetime member of the

DAVA, Disabled Veterans Association Chapter 9, Enterprise, AL and the Boll Weevil Red Hatters, Enterprise, AL.

The family celebrated the life of Voncile with a graveside service at Roseland Cemetery, Monticello, FL on Sunday, March 30, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. The family is requesting that in lieu of flowers that donations be made to the Advent Christian Village, P.O. Box 4305 Dowling Park, FL 32064 in memory of Connie Voncile Hunter, Alzheimer's Wing improvement project.

Auditions For Children's Stage Play

DEBBIE SNAPP
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Monticello Acting & Dance Company announces auditions for its upcoming children's stage show, '2014: A Space Oddity', traditionally held during and after the Jefferson County Watermelon Festival.

Auditions will be held on Saturday, April

5 from 3 to 5 p.m. and on Sunday, April 6 from 2 to 4 p.m., at the Monticello Opera House, in the theater. Participants need only attend one of the auditions.

There are acting parts available for adults, teens, and children ages eight and up. Prepare a short song with piano accompaniment in your key for speaking roles only. Chorus: (most children

will fall into this category) will be asked to sing in a group.

Come prepared to dance. The director will supply acting sides. No flip-flops, sandals, or Crocs during auditions or rehearsals.

Rehearsals for the play will begin on May 1, and will be held three to four times per week.

Performance dates are: June 13, 20, 21, 25, 26, 27, 28.

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Cathmar Prange's work is regularly accepted for juried exhibits and has been carried by galleries in several states. It is held by institutional and private collectors in the USA, France, and the United Kingdom. Recently she and her

three daughters have presented their Three Kinswomen exhibits in several Iowa communities. Her daughters make hand-applied fabric pictures, woodcuts, and poetry. Cathmar lives part time here in the Monticello area and is a member of Jefferson Arts.

Cathmar's acrylic

paintings will hang in the Gallery until the end of April. We are open on Wednesday's and Saturdays from 10AM until 2PM...or by appointment, call 997-3311.

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April 2, 3, 7, 8

Adult Dance Diva Fitness at MADCo Studio, 262 North Cherry Street, at 7:30 a.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays; 7:00 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Stretch and tone through exercise based in dance: Jazz, Ballet, Pilates, Callenetics, Balance, muscle tone, flexibility guaranteed to improve. **Zumba** Classes on Mondays at 5:15 p.m. and on Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m. Contact Certified Zumba Instructor Melanie Mays at 850-321-0036 for information.

April 2, 3

Cardio Fitness at K&J's Fitness on Wednesdays and Thursdays at 6 p.m. at the Boy Scout Eagles Nest, located at 1035 South Water Street. Bring your own workout mat

and drinking water. For more information call Frazier at 850-321-2358 or Skipworth at 850-688-6286. Or email to kjsfitness@hotmail.com and follow on IG @James_Skipworth and @Kelvin_Frazier.

April 3

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.

April 3, 7, 10

Girls Revival Fitness is making a difference at 4:30 p.m. on Mondays and Thursdays at 1065 South Water Street. For more information contact Nationally Certified Fitness Instructor, AFFA Certified Biggest Loser Pro, Trained/Licensed Zumba, Zumba Gold, and Pilates Instructor Doris De-

Mauro Bishop at 850-591-0085 or doris@girl-srevival.com. Classes are designed for those who might be new to exercise, older, and/or not active, those with joint issues, or for those who just prefer a slower pace. Fun and energetic praise music combined with low impact Latin fused dance moves such as the Cha-cha, Salsa, and Meringue will keep you moving without twisting and turning those knee and ankle joints that just don't work like they used to. This class will give a fun cardiovascular and will work on balance. First class is free!

April 4

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 accepted. For questions or concerns, contact Bobby Connell at 850-445-0049.

April 4

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.

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AROUND JEFFERSON COUNTY

Cross Landings H&RC Volunteer Banquet

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Cross Landings H&RC Center announces its 19th Annual Volunteer Banquet will be held at 6 p.m. on April 11, at the facility located at 1780 North Jefferson. RSVP by April 4 by calling 850-997-2313.

The Friday evening event will be hosted by Social Services Director Mae Kyler, Administrator Kay Maley, and Activities Director Voncell Thomas.

Cross Landings volunteers will be honored and recognized with a dinner, entertainment, a short program, and certificates. "We are proud to honor our volunteers," says Mae Kyler. "These dedicated volunteers are appreciated for their service, service they give freely, in order to bring cheer, music, conversation, and worship to the lives of our Cross Landings residents."

The volunteers recognized this evening will include Al Hall/Tillman Funeral Home, Altrusa, Amedisys Home Health, American Le-

gion/Jane Cox, Angel Band, Angela Gray, Barbara Brinson, Betsy Barfield, Betty Wilkerson/Adult Center, Big Bend Hospice, Bruce Campbell & Family, Calvary Baptist Church, Covenant Hospice, Dean Logue, Eastern Stars, Edna Henry, Elizabeth Baptist Church, Evangelist Barbra Frazier, First United Methodist Church, Fred Mosley, Henrietta and Omega Gardner, Holy Ghost Revival Church, Home Instead, House to House Prayer Band, Jane Hand, Jeff Sorenson, Jefferson EMT's, JROTC Jefferson County, Judge Bobby Plaines, Kirk Reams, Linda Gilley and the Glorious Angels, Lions Club, Lois Hunter, Marty Bishop, Max Bilinski, Melvin and Sloan Walker, Memorial Missionary Baptist Church, Merry Ann and David Frisby,

Michael Allen, Mt. Ararat AME Church, Mt. Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church, Monticello Garden Club, Nancy Roberts, New Bethel AME Church, Norma Martin, Pastor James and Lavern Mack, Red Cross Fire House, Rev. John Jones, Rev. Pride, Rev. Walter Thompson, Rick Knowles, Ryan Logue, Sandra Saunders, Sheriff David Hobbs, Sofia Garmon, St. Rilla MBC, Tallahassee Department of Corrections, VFW 251, Willie A. Dickey, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, and the 4-H Clubs of Jefferson County.

If an organization or person has been omitted, please contact Mae Kyler at 850-997-0218, as it was not deliberate.

Donations will be accepted from businesses and others for the giving of door-prizes.

Old Jail Museum Needs Volunteers



ECB Publishing Photo By Debbie Snapp, March 28, 2014.

Old Jail Museum on West Dogwood Street.

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Main Street Florida Board Members are making great progress with the 'Old Jail Museum' and have applied for another grant to continue repairs and refurbishing. Though volunteers are needed though, to keep the building open to the public.

Visitors to the museum can tour the halls and rooms, and hear the old tales about past sheriffs and deputies

that worked out of the building. They can hear the stories about the wives and children who lived along side their law enforcement family members... in the same building as the prisoners they put there. Visitors can read the prayers, poems, and curses of prisoners written on the walls, and admire the handsome old building.

Grants are needed to improve the museum experience for the visitors, but Florida Arts and other museum grants require a museum to be open 180-

days a year to qualify. So, volunteers are needed to sit in the comfortable little office, with its heating and air-conditioning, and to take visitors through the building. Short histories have been printed up to help the volunteers to tell the stories.

If you, or someone you know, would like to give a few hours a week to be a docent, contact Program Manager Anne Holt at 850-576-0721 or 850-997-5110, or ahholt@ahholt.com, www.mainstreetmonticellofl.org.

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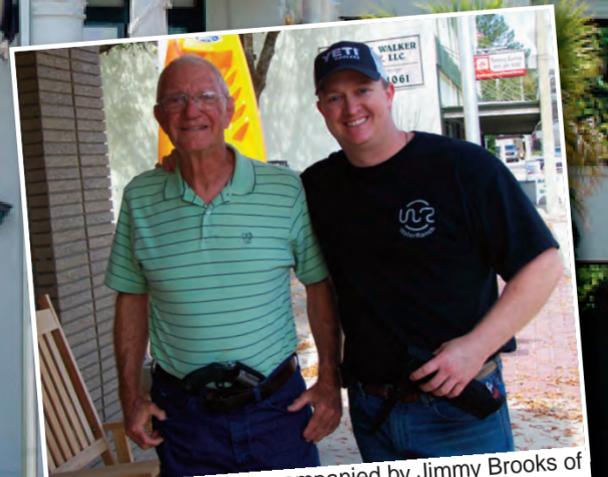
FMB switched job fields from banking to philosophy with this sign and another that proclaimed, "The best exercise is to lift someone else up."



A crew had to take out an old power post in front of Register's Barber Shop. Luckily, Thursday afternoons are low traffic days and the work was done on a side street, so no inconveniences were felt—though curious spectators did put aside their busy schedules to see what was going on.



Three beautiful ladies who work downtown posed for this picture while returning from their lunch break. Left to right: Carol Fraser, Ann Keith, and Susan Clifford.



J.T. Surles, right, is accompanied by Jimmy Brooks of Bainbridge, who was looking to sell his revolver. When this reporter told Surles to stay out of trouble Brooks quipped, "He won't, but that's why I have the gun."

CHURCH

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

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www.cbclorida.org
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Sunday School.....9:45 AM
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Sunday Evening.....6:30 PM
Wednesday Evening.....7:00 PM
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Sunday School.....10:00 AM
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Sunday Evening.....6:00 PM
Wednesday Evening.....7:00 PM
Prayer Meeting and Bible Study
Classes for Students

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625 Tindell Road • Aucilla • 997-2081
P.O. Box 163 • Monticello
Pastor Daryl Adams
850-251-0129

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

INDIAN SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH

5593 Veterans Memorial Drive (Hwy 59)
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www.indianspringsbaptistchurch.com
Rev. Greg Roberts

Sunday School.....9:45 AM
Sunday Worship.....11:00 AM
Children's Worship.....11:00 AM
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Sunday Worship (2nd & 4th Sundays).....11:00 AM
Youth Worship (2nd Sunday).....11:00 AM
Wednesday Prayer Meeting/Bible Study.....7:00 PM

NEW HOPE CHURCH OF GOD

415 E Palmer Mill Rd • Monticello • 997-1119
newhope415@yahoo
Pastor Dr. E. Bob Kuschel

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

OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

7369 Boston Hwy. Monticello
850-997-1596
Bro. David During

Sunday Bible Study.....10:00 AM
Sunday Worship.....11:00 AM
Sunday Evening.....6:00 PM
Wednesday Bible & Prayer Meeting.....6:30 PM

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Sunday Praise & Worship.....11:15 A.M.
2nd Sunday Youth Praise & Worship
4th Sunday Individual Outreach Ministry & Fellowship
3rd Sunday Holy Communion
Wednesday Evenings
Prayer Meeting.....6:30 P.M.
Bible Study.....7:00 P.M.

Holy Week Services Set For April 14-18

“Following Jesus to the Cross” will be the theme for the community Holy Week services sponsored by the Jefferson Ministerial Association and held at noon each day at the First Presbyterian Church on E. Dogwood St.

Services on Monday through Friday (April 14-18) will be from noon to 12:30 p.m., with a light lunch avail-

able in the church fellowship hall. On Good Friday, the service will last an hour and no lunch will be served.

Rev. Ron Cichon, pastor of Miccosukee United Methodist Church, will be preaching on Monday, with Rev. Andy Creel of Ebenezer Baptist Church serving as liturgist. On Tuesday, Father Jim May, of Christ Episcopal Church, will deliver the message and Rev. Jim Gamble, of

Wacissa United Methodist Church, will be the liturgist.

Wednesday's preacher will be Rev. Don Thompson, of Waukeenah United Methodist Church, with retired Pastor Richard Jones as liturgist. And Father Joe Schaub, the chaplain at Jefferson Correctional Institution, will deliver the sermon on Thursday and Rev. Thompson will be the liturgist.

On Good Friday, re-

tired Navy Chaplain Len Dodson will bring the message and Rev. Wayne Cook of First United Methodist Church will serve as liturgist.

Congregation singing is planned at all services.

Area pastors urge their congregations to attend these special ecumenical worship opportunities to make the Holy week theme a reality as Christians “follow Jesus to the cross.”

Community Prayer Breakfast Thursday

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The Business Community Prayer Breakfast will be held this month on Thursday, April 3 in the Christ Episcopal Church parish hall on North Jefferson Street. The meal will begin at 7 a.m. and the program will conclude at 8 a.m. Danny MacQuirter, from Thomasville, Georgia, will be guest speaker. If you have friends or families to add to the prayer list, send 3 to lgwright39@embarqmail.com or contact Coordinator Gary Wright at 850-997-5705 or 850-933-5567.

Health Fair At New Bethel AME



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New Bethel AME Church will host its annual 'Health Fair' from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Saturday, April 12, at the church location, 6496 Ashville Highway.

There will be representatives from the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office, the Monticello Police Department, the Jefferson County Ambulance Service, Community Health Educator Whole Child, and other local health related agencies. There will also be a variety of health workshops for discussion groups.

For more information about this event, contact the church at 850-997-6929, or www.newbethelamemonticello.com. Rev. Jimmie F. Dickey, pastor.

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850-997-2425
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Sunday School (1st & 3rd Sunday).....10:00 AM
Morning Worship (1st & 3rd Sunday).....11:30 AM
Bible Study Tuesday.....7:30 PM

ELIZABETH BAPTIST CHURCH

4124 Bassett Dairy Rd • Monticello • 997-8444
Email: ebcmonticello@centurylink.net
website: www.ebcmonticello.com

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Student Pastor, Don Self

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
RA's/ GA's/Mission Friends/Youth

WAUKEENAH UNITED METHODIST

81 Methodist Church Rd • Waukeenah • 997-2171
www.waukeenah-umc.org

Pastor Donald Thompson, Jr.

Sunday School.....9:45 AM
Sunday Worship.....11:00 AM
Youth Group.....7:00 PM

Wednesday

Choir Practice.....7:00 PM
Youth Group.....7:00 PM
Family Fellowship
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Spring Revival At St. Phillip

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St. Phillip AME Church will host its 'Spring Revival' April 2 to 4 at 7 p.m. nightly.

Evangelist Bishop Chancey King, Sr. will bring the message Wednesday through Friday evening. He is pastor of the Greater Works Tabernacle Church in Atlanta, Georgia.

The church family invite the public to come share with them as they give praises and thanks to God for His reviving and sustaining grace. They are asking



Evangelist Bishop Chancey King, Sr.

that you join them in the Revival and receive a blessing from the Lord.

For more information about this event and direction, call the church at 850-997-4226, or 850-291-6938.

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CHURCH

Music Extravaganza At Memorial Missionary Baptist



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The Memorial Missionary Baptist Church Senior

Choir will celebrate its annual Music Extravaganza on Saturday, April 19, beginning at 7 p.m. All church choirs, musical

groups, spiritual dance artists, and soloists are invited to participate. The community is welcomed to come enjoy and evening of

praise and worship with Christian friends and family. Rev. JB Duval and the church family are looking forward to seeing you there.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF LLOYD

124 St. Louis Street • Lloyd • 997-5309
fbclloyd.pastor@embarqmail.com
Pastor George L. Smith
Sunday

Sunday School-Small Groups..... 9:15 AM
Praise & Worship.....10:30 AM
TeamKID -ages 3 years-5th grade.....5:00 PM
CSI: Youth-Grades 6-12.....6:00 PM
Praise & Worship.....6:00 PM
Adult Choir.....7:05 PM

Wednesday

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

Thursdays

Glory Girls Fitness.....10:00 AM
1st & 3rd Monday
Mighty Monday-Ladies Bible Study.....6:00 PM
2nd Thursday
Lloyd Silver Saints-Senior Adult.....11:00 AM
3rd Thursday

W W Diners.....5:30 PM
Widows/Widowers outing
3rd Saturday
Brotherhood.....8:00 AM

ST. RILLA MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

13 Barrington Road • Monticello • 850-997-8747
Rev. James Mack, Pastor

Sunday School.....(Every Sunday)...9:45 AM
Morning Worship.....(1st & 3rd Sundays)11:00 AM
Bible Study/Prayer Meeting-
(Thursday before 1st & 3rd Sunday)..... 7:30 PM.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Interim Pastors

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

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

325 W. Walnut Street • Monticello
Pastor Wayne Cook 997-5545

Praise & Worship.....8:30 AM
Sunday School.....9:30 AM
Traditional Worship.....11:00 AM

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES

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

TRANSFORMING LIFE CHURCH ASSEMBLY OF GOD

1206 Springfield Road • Lloyd • 997-TLC7 (8527)
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www.TransformingLifeChurch.com

Sunday..... 10:30 AM
Sunday Morning Praise and Worship
Children's Church
Infants & Toddler Nursery
Wednesday.....7:00 PM
Praise & Worship
Adult & Teen Bible Study
Young Explorers (K-5th Grade)

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

US 19 N 1590 N. Jefferson Street (US 19)
850-997-3906
monticellonaz@gmail.com
Pastor Clay Stephens

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

WACISSA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

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

First Corinthian Church

955 Lemon St., Monticello, Florida
850-445-0076
sonnyjohnjr@aol.com
Reverend John Jones, Pastor

Saturday Morning Worship.....11:00 AM
Wednesday Bible Study.....6:30 PM

CHURCH NEWS NOTES

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April

First Methodist Church Monticello is offering to host a 'Bereavement Seminar' for those in the community who are in the darkness of loss of a loved one and would like to share with those who have walked that path of sorrow before you. Contact the church office at 850-997-5545. When a nucleus is formed, a time and date will be given. A time of fellowship will follow each meeting.

April 2, 16

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.first-presbyterianmonticello.org.

April 2

Memorial Missionary Baptist Church will host 'Heaven's Kitchen - Feed My Sheep', a weekly noonday service and meal ministry, every Wednesday at 12 p.m. Rev. JB Duval and Rev. Semmeal Thomas will conduct the Bible Study and Prayer Service each week. For more information, or to make a contribution, contact Coordinator sis. Mary Madison at 850-997-4504 or 850-210-7090.

April 2-4

St. Phillip AME Church will hold its Spring Revival Wednesday through Friday evening at 7 p.m. Evangelist will be Bishop Chancey King, Sr., pastor of the Greater Works Tabernacle Church, Atlanta, Georgia. For more information and direction, call the church at 850-997-4226, or 850-291-6938. Rev. JW Tisdale, pastor.

April 3

Transforming Life Church will host Dave Ramsey's 'Financial Peace University' classes at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday evenings. More than two million families have positively changed their financial future through this nine-week course, which provides families and individuals with practical tools to gain control of their finances and set themselves up for long-term financial success. For more information, visit the church website at transforminlifechurch.com or call the church office at 850-997-8527.

April 4

Evangelist, Pastor, and **Prophetess Betty Hightower** will render a Conference ~ A Service With 'A Word' for African American MEN!, assigned by the Holy Ghost, on Friday evening in the Jefferson County Middle High School gymnasium, on David Road. The African American Men Conference will begin at 7 p.m. with several guest speakers bringing messages

for the African American Men.

April 4

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.

April 5

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

April 5

Church of the Nazarene 'Clothing Giveaway' is held from 9 to 11 a.m. on the first Saturday of every month. For more information contact Rev. Clay Stephens at 850-528-5451.

April 5

Lamont Baptist Church will host a 'Ladies Chip and Dip' at 2 p.m. on Saturday. Participants are asked to bring chips or veggies, and a dip to share. All ladies are invited to come and learn which bird you resemble. For more information go to angelajoynerholley@gmail.com.

April 8

Sons of Allen of the Union Bethel Circuit meet 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.

April 19

Memorial Missionary Baptist Church Senior Choir will celebrate its annual Music Extravaganza on Saturday beginning at 7 p.m. All church choirs, musical groups, spiritual dance artists, and soloists are welcome to participate. Rev. JB Duval, pastor.

April 25

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

April 25, 26

USDA Commodities Food Program and Second Harvest Food Bank together with the churches of New Bethel AME, Elizabeth MB, Hickory Hill MB, Mt. Pleasant AME, and Philadelphia MB will provide food to those needing assistance monthly, on the fourth Saturday, with distribution from 8 to 9 a.m. at the New Bethel AME Church, located at 6496 Ashville Highway. Volunteers are also needed on the Friday evening before at 6:30 p.m. to help bag the food packages. Contact Nellie Randell at 850-997-5605, or Jackie Harvey at 850-997-8410 to volunteer, or for more information about this program.

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April 3 at Van H. Priest Auditorium

The North Florida Community College Artist Series is pleased to bring the national tour of THE FANTASTICKS, produced by veteran theatrical touring company Nebraska Theatre Caravan, to the Van H. Priest Auditorium Stage in Madison, FL on Thursday, April 3. This tour of THE FANTASTICKS is part of a 65-city national itinerary that includes only two stops in Florida. The performance at NFCC is funded in part by a grant from South Arts in partnership with the National Endowment for the Arts and the Florida Division of Cultural Affairs. Nebraska Theatre Caravan will also conduct education-outreach activities at Madison County High School and NFCC in connection with the performance.

A legend in its own time, THE FANTASTICKS, is the longest running musical in history. A simple romantic comedy about a boy, a girl, their meddling fathers and the wall that divides them, THE FANTASTICKS, is crafted with charming

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tumes, set and props, this show is, in its entirety, the original.

THE FANTASTICKS, written by Tom Jones and Harvey Schmidt, opened off-Broadway on May 3rd, 1960 at the Sullivan Street Playhouse in New York City's Greenwich Village with stage, film and television actor Jerry Orbach in the leading role. The production went on to play a record-breaking 17,162 performances before closing on January 13, 2002, making it the world's longest-running musical and the

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Don't miss THE FANTASTICKS by Nebraska Theatre Caravan at NFCC's Van H. Priest Auditorium at 7 p.m. on Thursday, April 3. Tickets are on sale now at the NFCC College Advancement Office. Call (850) 973-1653 for tickets or more information. More information is also available at <http://www.nfcc.edu/community-programs/artist-series>.

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The Heat of the Moment: A Trainee's Story



The police car fire that convinced Austin to join the department.

AMBER HOUSTON
ECB Publishing
Staff Writer

Many think of March kindly for cleaning, decorating, warm weather, and holidays. But I see the men around the station tighten their jaws. Even the words "brush season" spread like wildfire.

It was late afternoon on a weekday when we got the first call of the season: a yard fire got away from a county resident and a dozen or so acres were claimed. I remember seeing three chiefs from three different departments work together to get a hot spot out. The still frame of that will never fade. It was a defining moment of teamwork and collaboration.

Another call is firm in my mind of a double-wide trailer that was a total loss—the Rains Rd. fire that claimed Bessie Thomas' home. We got called out as we were wrapping up EMR

class. I remember seeing a firefighter walk around the house, into the headlights of a truck. His shadow was superimposed on the smoke around him. In the face of chaos and excitement, he was resolute. Lights—white and red—flashed through the smoke behind him. It was a defining moment of calm in a storm.

In training, we have been up to our elbows in Emergency Medical Response. CPR, trauma, childbirth. My instructor, Mike Long, informs the class that twenty years ago, this was the curriculum for Emergency Medical Technicians, but times change: with better technology comes better training and more of an opportunity for even volunteers to save lives.

I won't lie: classwork and two jobs are difficult to juggle.

But volunteer firefighters are a special breed and a family away from family. They teach

patiently, love freely, and help often. They joke and laugh around the station and they put their nose to the grindstone on a call. They're mechanics and drivers and retirees and clerks... and heroes.

In my class, there are four people: Ray Matty (AAVFD), James Hightower (WVFD), Austin Malloy (MVFD), and me (MVFD). At first, it was strange being one of two women around the station. It was strange to see my little station wagon dwarfed by so many trucks in the parking lot and strange to feel dwarfed by so many bearish men with weathered faces and calloused hands. Yet they welcomed me in and taught me to change batteries on the engine and start generators and use extrication tools.

Matty is patient and good with anything mechanical. Generally reserved, he shows a surprising aptitude for EMR and an especially pleasant bedside man-

ner.

Hightower is a class clown. He's good at making "patients" laugh (read patients as: volunteer firefighters who come and set up scenarios for testing) and also at encouraging other students.

Malloy joined when the city police car caught fire and he happened to be there to try and put it out with a fire extinguisher: when he saw the firefighters roll up on scene and take charge of the incident, he was hooked. Even at the young age of 18, he is one of the most determined men I've seen in the department: he excels at everything he sets his mind to.

Earlier this month, Malloy and I were taken out to the JCKC parking lot where the Emergency Vehicle Operations Course is given. Long and Zef Fessenden put us each in an engine and let us drive. I'm going to be painfully honest here: even with the cute little turning radius my Volvo station wagon has to offer, I cannot parallel park it. I cannot imagine trying to parallel park a fire engine. Ours are old and Mike calls the necessary technique "shuttle steering." That is kind wording. I have experience wrestling billy goats when it came time to give preventative medicine to our family herd: "shuttle steering" is slightly more vigorous than that. As far as the mental input it takes to shuttle steer, imagine micromanaging a litter of kittens on catnip.

Still, I will never forget how big and tall I felt,

driving the fire engine alongside Austin. I glanced out of my side window to watch him negotiate a turn and then go trotting down a straightaway. We were precise and coordinated.

The smile on his face? We couldn't wipe it off for two days. My ear-to-ear grin lasted a week.

EMR is winding down and structure fire training is on the horizon.



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"Millennials" Must Plan for Short-and Long-term Goals

If you're one of the "millennials" — the generation that began in the early 1980s — you are still in the early stages of your career. Retirement must seem like a long way off — yet, it's never too soon to start planning for it. At the same time, though, you may also have shorter-term goals. Can you make progress toward your near-term and long-term objectives at the same time?

Yes, you can — but you'll need to match your short- and long-term goals with the appropriate savings and investment vehicles. For example, one of your most important short-term goals may be purchasing a house, so you'll need to accumulate a certain amount of money by a certain time — perhaps in three to five years. Therefore, you won't want to risk your down payment on an investment whose price will fluctuate — and whose value may be down just when you need the money. Consequently, you may want to look for a shorter-term investment whose objective is preservation of principal. Typically, with these types of vehicles, the shorter the term, the lower the interest rate — but since your goal is basically to have a certain amount of money available at a certain time, you might be less interested in what return you'll get on this particular investment, as opposed to the return you might hope for from other, longer-term vehicles.

In fact, while you are saving for your down payment on your home, or for other short-term goals, you also need to be thinking long term — that is, you need to save as much as you can for your eventual retirement.

Since you are still in the early stages of your working life, you have an enormous asset going for you: time. By starting to save for retirement now, you have more time to save than you would if you waited another decade or so. Plus, since you have so many years to go until you retire, you can afford to put a reasonable percentage of your investment dollars into growth-oriented instruments, such as stocks or stock-based investments. They may carry more risk, including the risk of losing principal, but they also offer greater reward potential than, say, fixed-income vehicles such as bonds. And holding growth investments for the long term can help you look beyond short-term volatility.

You can start a long-term investment program by investing in your 401(k) or other retirement plan offered by your employer. These plans usually offer a variety of investment options, including several growth-oriented accounts. Plus, any earnings are typically tax-deferred, which means your money could grow faster than if it were placed in an investment on which you paid taxes every year. So try to take full advantage of your employer's plan — at a minimum, contribute enough to earn a match, if one is offered. Then, every time your salary goes up, boost your contributions.

With discipline and perseverance, you can move toward both your distant and imminent goals. And that's the long and the short of it.

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Pretty Girl Talk Fun, Educational



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The JCMHS S.W.A.T. Team grades 6 to 12, advisors, and coordinator gave a presentation during the Pretty Girl Talk event about tobacco prevention.

DEBBIE SNAPP
ECB Publishing
Staff Writer

The fourth annual Pretty Girl Talk, sponsored in part by Students Working Against Tobacco (SWAT) and The Turner Foundation, event held earlier this month at the Jefferson County Middle High School was well attended, lots of fun, and very educational.

Deveda Bellamy, Florida Department of Health Prevention, kicked-off the event with a welcome to all attending and introduction. She was followed by Kristin Jackson, UF IFAS Extension Jefferson County 4H, introducing the speakers for the evening, starting with Keynote Speaker Second Circuit Court Judge Karen Geivers.

Other speakers included Annie Severin, Property Appraisers Office; Larry Halsey, School Board; John Nelson, County Commission; and Dionne Hairston. All spoke briefly about what to expect from a young lady. All were encouraging in their presentations, and passed on some interesting information for teenage girls.

The event was filled with rotating educational 'move' sessions throughout the evening and included 'girl' time for eating, pam-



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Keynote Speaker Second Circuit Court Judge Karen Geivers was just one of the speaker for the Pretty Girl Talk event. "And, I don't want to see any of you young ladies come into my courtroom," she ended with a smile.

pering, dancing, and Zumba with Instructor Melanie Mays. The girls were also allotted time to visit the agency vendor booths set-up

around the gymnasium.

Vendor booths included Refuge House, with Representative Nan Baughman; Saint Leo University; CareerSource with Rachel Brinson; Tonya Bell, Whole Child Advisor/Florida KidCare/Healthy Start Coalition for Tri-County; Mary Kay makeovers with Timbre Denmark; Cumi Allen with the Florida Department of Health Jefferson County; the Affordable Care Act with Navigator Demetria Tillman; Jefferson County S.W.A.T. Coordinator Chastity McCarthy and JCMHS Advisors Tyneal Haywood and Sharita Scott; School Health Nurse Jackie Guyton; Willie Ann Dickey with Big Bend Transit; and the Daughters of Deborah membership helped with the refreshments, donated by Pizza Hut.

The evening ended with the cutting of cake and more dancing.

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NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45

NOTICE OF SALE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated March 13, 2014, and entered in Case No. 2009-116-CA of the Circuit Court of the 2nd Judicial Circuit in and for Jefferson County, Florida, wherein HSBC Bank USA N.A., as Trustee on behalf of ACE Securities Corp. Home Equity Loan Trust and for the registered holders of ACE Securities Corp. Home Equity Loan Trust 2007-D1 Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates, is Plaintiff and Lester W. Burke, is Defendant, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the North Door of the Courthouse, located at 1 Courthouse Circle, Monticello, FL 32344, at 11:00 o'clock A.M. on the 1st day of May, 2014, the following described property as set forth in said Summary Final Judgment, to wit:

Commence at the Concrete Monument Marking the Northeast Corner of Lot 190 of the ORIGINAL PLAN OF MONTICELLO as per Map or Plat thereof of Recorded in Deed Book "G", Page 1, of the Public Records of Jefferson County, Florida, and run South 89 Degrees 48 Minutes 36 Seconds West, along the South Right-of-Way Line of U.S. Highway 90 (Washington Street), 110.36 Feet to a Concrete Monument for a POINT OF BEGINNING, Thence from said Point of Beginning run South 00 Degrees 42 Minutes 07 Seconds West 184.61 Feet to an Iron Rod, thence North 88 Degrees 17 Minutes 56 Minutes 06 Seconds West 26.48 to an Iron Rod, thence South 00 Degrees 42 Minutes 06 Seconds West 40.85 Feet to an Iron Rod on the North Right-of-way Line of Walnut Street, Thence South 89 Degrees 57 Minutes 21 Seconds West, along Said Right of Way Line 106.60 Feet to an Axle, Thence North 00 Degrees 42 Minutes 07 Seconds East 224.32 Feet to an Iron Rod on the South Right-of-way Line of Said U.S. Highway 90 (Washington Street), Thence North 89 Degrees 48 Minutes 36 Seconds East, along Said Right-of-way Line 133.08 Feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

Located: 635 West Washington Street, Monticello, FL and all fixtures and personal property located therein or thereon, which are included as security in Plaintiff's mortgage.

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus funds from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.

Dated at Monticello, Jefferson County, Florida, this 17th day of March, 2014.

Kirk Reams
 Clerk of said Circuit Court
 By: Sherry Sears
 As Deputy Clerk

4/2,9/2014

NOTICE

The Jefferson County Tourist Development Council will meet Monday, April 7th at 9:00am in the Courthouse Annex. All meetings of the TDC occur on the first Monday of the month at 9:00am in the Courthouse Annex unless otherwise noticed in the Monticello News. 4/2/2014

NOTICE

THE JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WILL HOLD A WORKSHOP ON HERITAGE ROADS ON TUESDAY, APRIL 15 AT 5 PM AT THE COURTHOUSE ANNEX. 4/2/2104

NOTICE

THE JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WILL HOLD A WORKSHOP ON ROADS ON THURSDAY, APRIL 3 AT 6PM AT THE COURTHOUSE ANNEX. 4/2/2014

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Florida Department of Transportation Project

Bids will be received by the Tallahassee Office until 10:30 A.M. on Wednesday, April 30, 2014, for Proposal ID T3489. A Certification of Qualification is not required for this project on SR 57 (US 19) in Jefferson County. Work consists of construct southbound right turn lane on SR 57. Budget Estimate \$192,966.00. Complete letting advertisement information for this project is available on our website at http://www.dot.state.fl.us/cc-admin/Lettings/Letting_Project_Info.shtm or by calling (850) 414-4000. 2/4/2014

ATTENTION OWNERS, AGENTS, CUSTODIANS, LESSEES AND OCCUPANTS OF REAL PROPERTY WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF MONTICELLO

You are hereby notified that you are required by law to cut and prevent the excessive accumulation of weeds, underbrush, grass or other dead and living plant life upon your improved property; to remove any trash, debris, refuse, inoperable or abandoned vehicles or appliances, or other noxious matter located on any property owned, controlled or occupied by you in the City of Monticello; and also to repair, restore or demolish any unfit or unsafe structure located upon such property; and that upon your failure to do so, the City of Monticello will institute nuisance abatement proceedings against your property and cause such nuisance to be abated. The cost of such abatement will constitute a special assessment lien against the property on which the nuisance is located. Such special assessment lien shall be coequal with the lien of all state, county, district, and municipal taxes and superior in dignity to mortgages and all other liens, irrespective of the date of the recording of the municipal lien or the date of the recording of any mortgage or any other lien on real property. A failure to pay said lien, even such lien upon homestead property, may result in a loss of title to your property. 4/2/2014

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

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., Plaintiff,

CASE NO.: 33-2013-CA-000153

vs.

DIVISION:

BARBARA WOODARD GRANGER, et al, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF ACTION

To: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, OR AGAINST, CLAUDE D. GRANGER ALSO KNOWN AS CLAUDE DONALD GRANGER, DECEASED

Last Known Address: Unknown

Current Address: Unknown

ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST THE HEREIN NAMED INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANT(S) WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS

Last Known Address: Unknown

Current Address: Unknown

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

LOT 7, BLOCK B, PECAN HILL SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, ASCORRECTED AND REPLATTED IN PLAT BOOK B, PAGE 98, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, FLORIDA. A/K/A 440 MELROSE DR MONTICELLO FL 32344-1694

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses within 30 days after the first publication, if any, on Albertelli Law, Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is P.O. Box 23028, Tampa, FL 33623, and file the original with this Court either before March 30, 2014 service on Plaintiff's attorney, or immediately thereafter; otherwise, a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint or petition.

This notice shall be published once a week for two consecutive weeks in the Monticello News.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this court on this 25th day of February, 2014.

Clerk of the Circuit Court

By: Sherry Sears

Deputy Clerk

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact Kirk B. Reams no later than seven (7) days prior to the proceeding at room 10, Jefferson County Courthouse, Monticello, FL. 32344, at 850-342-0218: 1-800-955-8771 (TDD), or 1-800-955-8770 (voice), via Florida Relay Service. 4/2,9/2014

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AROUND JEFFERSON COUNTY

Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser

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Staff Writer

Boy Scout Troop 803 is out and about pre-selling tickets for its upcoming 'Spaghetti Dinner' fundraiser; to be held on Saturday, April 26, at the Eagle's Nest, 1085 South Water Street. The menu will in-

clude spaghetti with meat sauce, fresh garden salad, bread, dessert, and iced tea. Advance ticket purchase is \$5, or \$6 at the door the day of the event. So, buy early and save a buck! For more information, or to purchase a ticket, contact Scout Levi Singleton at 850-210-3116.



County Business Leaders Interviewed In Webinar

Jefferson County and its Small Business Development Program (SBDP) hosted an online seminar this month focused on building local economies and communities through supporting small business development. The SBDP Director, Marcia Elder, interviewed the owners of two local businesses: Mark Kessler of Kessler Construction LLC and

Denise Vogelgesang, co-owner of Carrie Ann & Co. The business leaders were each asked a range of questions important for business success. Each gave specific information of value for other entrepreneurs and companies. On-demand replays of the interviews, along with presentations by state level experts, are featured on the SBDP Website. Visit the site at <http://jeffersonmeansbusiness.com/resources/ouractionplan.org/webinar-replays/> and learn approaches and strategies for effective business management and success. For business coaching and other support of your business, contact the SBDP at 997-2185 or support@jeffersonmeansbusiness.com.

4H Summer Camps 2014



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The Jefferson County Extension Office is now accepting applications for the 4H Summer Camp season. So, register your child today by picking up an application at the office, located at 2729 West Washington Street, or call 850-342-0187, or email Jefferson@ifas.ufl.edu. Wildlife Day Camp will kick off the summer on June 16 to 20 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Extension Office. The cost is \$35. Dead-

line to register is Monday, June 2. 5 - 7 Year Old Day Camp will run from June 24 to 27 from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Extension Office. The cost is \$35. Deadline is Monday, June 9. 8 - 9 Year Old Day Camp will run from July 21 to 25 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Extension Office. The cost is \$35. Deadline is Monday July 7. Camp Cherry Lake, in Madison County, is an overnight camp held from July 7 to 11, five days/four nights. The cost is \$40. Deadline is Tuesday, July 1.

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