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COUNTY COMMISSION

“Gator Boy” dreams to bring animal preserve to Monticello

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A newcomer to the county who is also something of a celebrity wants to start a wildlife rescue facility here that, he says, would provide an educational experience and also attract tourism to the area.

Jimmy Riffle, who introduced himself as one of the “Gator Boys” of the Animal Planet television show by the same name, pitched his idea to the Jefferson County Commission on Thursday evening, April 5.

Riffle told commissioners that he had been in the
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- 'Old Florida-themed' educational wildlife rescue facility
- exotic animals
- animal demonstrations
- educational animal shows
- ecological swamp buggy tours
- school field trips

Facelift for historic building



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A work crew begins the reparation of the exterior of the historic building on the corner of Dogwood and North Jefferson streets.

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Repairs have begun on the exterior of the landmark brick building on the northeast corner of East Dogwood and North Jefferson, preparatory to its rehabilitation.

The repairs follow the plan approved by the Historic Design Review Board in early December. The work, parts of which were accomplished earlier, entails the removal of the stucco from the facade to access, and assess, the damage to

the underlying bricks and the sources of leaks into the building's interior; the cleaning, repairing and/or replacing of the damaged or missing bricks; and the repointing of the walls wherever the mortar is missing.

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MONEY MATTERS

Tax breaks for historic homes preservation?

Lazaro Aleman, *ECB Publishing, Inc.*

A proposed city ordinance that would grant tax-exemptions to historic buildings as an incentive to prompt owners to preserve their structures is being resurrected following a long dormancy.

City Clerk Emily Anderson raised the issue before the Monticello Historic Design and Review Board at its recent quarterly meeting on Monday evening, March 26.

“It's been bogged down and put on hold,” Anderson said of the ordinance, which was first proposed about two years ago.

She said that she had revisited and updated the document in light of changes to specific federal tax

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SPORTS

Three Warriors sign scholarships



Photo Submitted

Tima Finlayson, of Monticello, will be on the golf team at Shorter University, in Rome, GA.

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Aucilla Christian Academy

Three Aucilla Christian Academy Warriors have committed to play sports on



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the collegiate level during the next school year.

Tima Finlayson will be playing golf for Shorter University, a Christ-centered private college in Rome, GA.



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Katie James, of Monticello, will be rowing on the crew team at the University of Central Florida, in Orlando.

Haley Jones has committed to ride on the rodeo team at Missouri Valley College, a four-year private college, affiliated with the Presbyterian (USA) Church in Marshall, MI.

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Instead of writing a column this week, I thought I would run a story that I read not long ago.

The Lord tells us to go out and do good! I think this little story speaks volumes.

God's Love Returned

The man slowly looked up. This was a woman clearly accustomed to the finer things of life. Her coat was new. She looked like that she had never missed a meal in her life. His first thought was that she wanted to make fun of him, like so many others had done before.

"Leave me alone," he growled. To his amazement, the woman continued standing. She was smiling -- her even white teeth displayed in dazzling rows.

"Are you hungry?" she asked. "No," he answered sarcastically. "I've just come from dining with the president. Now go away."

The woman's smile became even broader.

Suddenly the man felt a gentle hand under his arm.

"What are you doing, lady?" the man asked angrily. "I said to leave me alone."

Just then a policeman came up. "Is there any problem, ma'am?" he asked.

"No problem here, officer," the woman answered. "I'm just trying to get this man to his feet. Will you help me?"

The officer scratched his head. "That's old Jack. He's been a fixture around here for a couple of years. What do you want with him?"

"See that cafeteria over there?" she asked. "I'm going to get him something to eat and get him out of the cold for awhile."

"Are you crazy, lady?" the homeless man resisted. "I don't want to go in there!" Then he felt strong hands grab his other arm and lift him up.

"Let me go, officer. I didn't do anything."

"This is a good deal for you, Jack," the officer answered. "Don't blow it."

Finally, and with some difficulty, the woman and the police officer got Jack into the cafeteria and sat him at a table in a remote corner. It was the middle of the morning, so most of the breakfast crowd had already left and the lunch bunch had not yet arrived. The manager strode across the cafeteria and stood by the table.

"What's going on here, officer?" he asked. "What is all this? Is this man in trouble?"

"This lady brought this man in here to be fed," the policeman answered!

"Not in here!" the manager replied angrily. "Having a person like that here is bad for business."

Old Jack smiled a toothless grin. "See, lady. I told you so. Now if you'll let me go. I didn't want to come here in the first place."

The woman turned to the cafeteria manager and smiled. "Sir, are you familiar with Eddy and Associates, the banking firm down the street?"

"Of course I am," the manager answered impatiently. "They hold their weekly meetings in one of my banquet rooms."

"And do you make a good amount of money providing food at these weekly meetings?"

"What business is that of yours?"

"I, sir, am Penelope Eddy, president and CEO of the company."

"Oh." The woman smiled again. "I thought that might make a difference." She glanced at the cop who was busy stifling a giggle. "Would you like to join us in a cup of coffee and a meal, officer?"

"No thanks, ma'am," the officer replied. "I'm on duty."

Then, perhaps, a cup of coffee to go?"

"Yes, ma'am. That would be very nice."

The cafeteria manager turned on his heel. "I'll get your coffee for you right away, officer."

The officer watched him walk away. "You certainly put him in his place," he said.

"That was not my intent. Believe it or not, I have a reason for all this."

She sat down at the table across from her amazed dinner guest. She stared at him intently.

"Jack, do you remember me?"

Old Jack searched her face with his old, rheumy eyes "I think so -- I mean you do look familiar."

"I'm a little older perhaps," she said. "Maybe I've even filled out more than in my younger days when you worked here, and I came through that very door, cold and hungry."

"Ma'am?" the officer said questioningly. He couldn't believe that such a magnificently turned out woman could ever have been hungry.

"I was just out of college," the woman began. "I had come to the city looking for a job, but I couldn't find anything. Finally I was down to my last few cents and had been kicked out of my apartment. I walked the streets for days. It was February and I was cold and nearly starving. I saw this place and walked in on the off chance that I could get something to eat."

Jack lit up with a smile. "Now I remember," he said. "I was behind the serving counter. You came up and asked me if you could work for something to eat. I said that it was against company policy."

"I know," the woman continued.

"Then you made me the biggest roast beef sandwich that I had ever seen, gave me a cup of coffee, and told me to go over to a corner table and enjoy it. I was afraid that you would get into trouble. Then, when I looked over, I saw you put the price of my food in the cash register. I knew then that everything would be all right."

"So you started your own business?" Old Jack said.

"I got a job that very afternoon. I worked my way up. Eventually I started my own business that, with the help of God, prospered." She opened her purse and pulled out a business card. "When you are finished here, I want you to pay a visit to a Mr. Lyons. He's the personnel director of my company. I'll go talk to him now and I'm certain he'll find something for you to do around the office." She smiled. "I think he might even find the funds to give you a little advance so that you can buy some clothes and get a place to live until you get on your feet. And if you ever need anything, my door is always opened to you."

There were tears in the old man's eyes. "How can I ever thank you?" he said.

"Don't thank me," the woman answered. "To God goes the glory. Thank Jesus. He led me to you."

Outside the cafeteria, the officer and the woman paused at the entrance before going their separate ways. "Thank you for all your help, officer," she said.

"On the contrary, Ms. Eddy," he answered. "Thank you. I saw a miracle today. Something that I will never forget. And thank you for the coffee."

If you have missed knowing me, you have missed nothing. But, if you have missed knowing the Lord Jesus, you have missed everything in the world.

Have a wonderful week and may God bless you always!



Numerology is Bad Theology

The headline read, "Biblical prophecy claims the Rapture is coming April 23, numerologist says."



Gary B. King
Guest Columnist

In what appears to be a news release, self-proclaimed numerologist David Meade claims, "On April 23, the sun and moon will be in Virgo, as will Jupiter, which represents the Messiah," and this is a "unique once-in-a-century sign exactly as depicted in the 12th chapter of Revelation. This is our time marker."

Meade further predicts this alignment signifies "the Lion of the tribe of Judah," and Planet X, also named Nibiru, will appear above the earth on April 23 signaling the start of cataclysmic events also prophesied in the book of Revelation.

This is three fakes-in-one: it is fake news, fake science, and fake theology.

Meade has predicted the end of the world on at least three separate occasions: September 23, 2017, November 19, 2017, and just a few days ago, April 11, 2018. At some point you would think repeated false predictions about the end of the world would cease to be newsworthy. Evidently fake news is alive and well.

Nibiru, or Planet X as Meade prefers to call it, is fake science. NASA has repeatedly denied the existence of Planet X. It doesn't appear to be on anyone's radar screen, but Meade's.

And last of all, this is fake theology. Using astrology to predict future events and then trying to support that prediction with Scripture is spurious. Astronomy is a science, astrology is a belief that the stars dictate and determine our destiny. It is nothing less than fake religion, and

more specifically a form of astromancy.

If you really want to know God's intended purpose of the sun, the moon and the stars in creation (Genesis 1:14) just pick up a current copy of most any farmer's almanac. You will learn more practical, astronomical facts about these heavenly bodies reading just a few pages in a farmer's almanac than you will ever glean from studying the Zodiac.

When Judah lapsed into idolatry, God used Babylon to punish them and take their nation into captivity. Displaced in Babylon and questioning whether Babylonian beliefs and gods were more powerful than the Almighty One they had trusted, they were no doubt tempted to embrace the faith of their captors.

It is in this context that the prophet Isaiah issues a lament and rebuke of Babylonian practices. Isaiah warns, "You are wearied with your many counsels; let now the astrologers, those who prophesy by the stars, those who predict by the new moons, stand up and save you from what will come upon you." (Isaiah 47:13)

History tells us that the Babylonian astrologers were unable to prepare their nation for the military onslaught of the Medes and the Persians who conquered Babylon in a single night. The Babylonian astrologers missed it; Isaiah nailed it.

The return of Christ will be unexpected (Matthew 24:36) and will be universally and undeniably witnessed (Luke 17:24). Meade will miss it; the Bible will nail it. I'll see you guys on April 24.

Gary B. King welcomes comments or questions and can be reached at garybkingcc@gmail.com. Christian Concepts are archived at gbkcc.com.



Collector finds drugs hidden inside Nintendo games



A Georgia collector who bought a stash of retro Nintendo games at a flea market discovered two of the cartridges were filled with packages of drugs.

Julian Turner of Newnan posted a video to YouTube showing him examining his day's flea market haul, which included multiple Nintendo Entertainment System games from the 1980s.

Turner said his interest was piqued when he noticed one of the cartridges, Rollergames, was the European/Australian PAL release. He said the game, and a copy of Golf, were also found to weigh about 50

percent more than they should have.

Turner opened the two cartridges and discovered they contained small packages of what appeared to be narcotics.

The Newnan Police Department opened an investigation into the discovery and detectives said the packages appear to have been inside the cartridges for a very long time before they ended up at the market.

Turner said he was researching his unusual discovery and found out that another copy of Golf purchased by a collector a few years ago was found to be filled with \$5,000 cash in bills that dated from 1985.

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GATOR BOY

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area for about six months and had fallen in love with Monticello.

"It's a homey feeling here," he said. "We feel right at home in the town."

He said that he was interested in building an 'Old Florida-themed' educational wildlife rescue facility where people could come and learn about native and exotic animals and how to appreciate and respect them.

"In addition, we would offer a place for exotic animals that need a forever home," Riffle said. "We would offer demonstrations and interactive ways to teach people to respect and be safe around wildlife."

Riffle said he foresaw the preserve having educational animal shows throughout the day. The hope, he said, was also eventually to offer ecological swamp buggy tours and field trips to schools.

"Our goal is to build natural habitats for

the animals, not just cages," Riffle said. "We would start as a small scale endeavor with expansion happening in the future."

As personal background, Riffle offered that he had started out as an 11-year-old alligator wrestler in the Seminole Reservation and had then gone on to star as one of *Gator Boys*, a show that aired on the Animal Planet channel for about four years and enjoyed a following of about two million at one point.

"I'm still recognized a lot of places I go today," Riffle said, noting that he has an educational roadshow that now travels the country.

As for the specifics of what he was seeking, Riffle said he was ideally looking for 10 to 20 acres that were available for lease or sale and that were located within proximity of Monticello and readily accessible from I-10.

Riffle said that given Monticello's historic character and the *Gator Boys'* appeal, he envisioned the wildlife facility serving as an additional inducement to draw

tourists here. Nor could he discount the possibility that Animal Planet or some other network might not film the preserve's creation, he said.

Riffle assured commissioners that the preserve would adhere to all Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission regulations and assured the safety of the animals and the patrons. He said a 10 to 12 foot high fence would enclose the facility and, where needed, natural barriers would be utilized or perimeter fencing installed.

"There will be security system monitoring of the facility at all times," Riffle said. "And during operation hours, we would have adequate staff throughout the preserve."

The commissioners expressed openness to the idea. Commission Chairman Stephen Fulford encouraged Riffles to keep the commission abreast of his plan and in particular stay in touch with Commissioner J. T. Surles, who Riffles said he had gotten to know and supported the project.

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The plan also calls for the upstairs windows to be replaced with Pella windows of an appropriate style and the downstairs windows likewise to be replaced with a matching style. Also the East Dogwood entrance is to be designed to match the original recessed styling, and the original

wood doors on the west side of the building are to be refinished, among other changes and improvements.

The building's owners, Michelle and Byron Arceneaux, have indicated that they want to restore and renovate the historic two-story brick building inside and out.

"In a nutshell, our plan is to refurbish the building," Byron Arceneaux told the council earlier in the year.

Last viable as a popular restaurant in the 1990s, the building was subsequently purchased by an individual with a vision of converting it into a fine dining restaurant with a bar. After proceeding to gut the building's interior in the pursuit of his vision, however, the individual ran out of funds and abandoned the project.

Since, the building sat abandoned, until the Arceneauxs purchased it.

SCHOLARSHIP

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And Katie James will be rowing on the crew team at the University of Central Florida in Orlando.

"This has been an incredible year for ACA athletes!" said ACA Athletic Director Dan Nennstiel. "God has blessed seven of our athletes with opportunities to excel in college sports. That's nearly 25 percent of our graduating senior class. Tima, Haley and Katie will be joining ACA's four student athletes who signed to play collegiate sports last fall: Elizabeth Hightower (University of Florida), Abigail Morgan (Florida Atlantic University), Carly Joiner (Valdosta State University) and Camryn Grant (Lee University)."

As a golfer, Finlayson received ACA's Most Valuable Player Award five straight years and was selected to play on the Panhandle Cup golf team the past three years. He was also chosen for the All Big Bend second and honorable mention golf teams. In basketball, he received ACA's Best Guard Award for two years and All Big Bend honorable mention recognition. He's also been involved in the leadership of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Beta Club as an officer and the ACA Ambassadors.

"Playing golf at Shorter is a dream come true," said Finlayson. "I have visited the campus multiple times and



Photo Submitted

Three ACA athletes signed with their respective colleges on Wednesday, April 11. Pictured, in the front, are: Tima Finlayson (signed with Shorter University in Rome, GA.), Haley Jones (signed with Missouri Valley College, in Marshall, MI.) and Katie James (signed with University of Central Florida, in Orlando). In the back, pictured from left to right, are: Meagan Finlayson, Richard Finlayson, Chad Agner, Coleen Agner, April James and J.D. James.

really feel a strong connection to the school and the golf coach."

Jones, a qualifier last summer for the National High School Rodeo, the largest rodeo in the world with the best four in each state and the best in Canada and Australia, said, "I'm excited to be offered an athletic rodeo scholarship to compete with the Missouri Valley College Rodeo Team. I'm looking forward to competing at the next level in the collegiate and professional rodeo circuit." Along with participating in rodeos, Jones

also makes time for ACA activities, including: Beta Club, Living Waters Praise Team, cheerleading, basketball and serving as the senior class president this year.

James played on ACA's basketball team that participated in the Florida High School Athletic Association Final Four State Basketball Championship Tournament in Lakeland this year, along with Jones, and was excited to be recruited as a competitive and motivated out-of-sport athlete to UCF's Varsity D1 National College

Athletic Association rowing team. "I'm so excited for next year and am so thankful that God gave me this opportunity," said James. Active on-campus, James has been involved in the leadership of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Beta Club, Living Waters Praise Team and the ACA Ambassadors.

All of the athletes are honor students. Finlayson is the son of Richard and Meagan Finlayson of Monticello. Jones is the daughter of Chad and Coleen Agner of Greenville. James is the daughter of J.D. and April James of Monticello.

TAX BREAKS

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incentives, which the ordinance incorporated by reference. One, a 20-percent federal tax exemption, was going away, she said. And a second, a 15-percent reduction, was also possibly going away, she said.

Anderson said that once she got started on the revisions, she continued to clean up the document and tighten the application process to ensure that projects were completed in full, complied with all the appropriate requirements, and assured the structure's safety.

The ordinance stems from an earlier change to the Florida Constitution authorizing local governments to grant an ad-valorem tax exemption historic properties. City officials reason that implementation of the exemption should encourage preservation, which they argue enhances citizens' lives, promotes appreciation of the past, serves an educational purpose and attracts visitors, which translates into economic development.

The ordinance stipulates that owners of qualifying historic properties who meet the ordinance's requirements will receive an exemption of 100 percent of any increase in assessed value that results from the restoration, renovation or rehabilitation of the structure for a set period. Which period the ordinance currently sets at 10 years.

The Jefferson County Property Appraiser would determine the amount of the exemption, based on a typical post-construction inspection and appraisal. And the actual issuance of the exemptions will occur after the completion of three requirements. They are the issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy, final approval of the work by the Monticello City Council, and upon receipt by the property appraiser of a written notice from the city that the exemption is in effect.

"The exemption shall continue regardless of any change of authority of the City to grant exemptions or any changes in ownership of the property," states the draft language. "In order to retain an exemption, however, the

historic character of the property and improvements which qualified the property for an exemption must be maintained over the period for which the exemption was granted."

The exemption would extend to the new owner if the property were sold, provided that the former owner met all the ordinance's requirements. The language also addresses the grounds and mechanisms for revocation of the exemption, and the remedies and procedures for its reinstatement.

In her presentation, Anderson noted that in her research, she hadn't found widespread use of the exemption in localities where it existed, St. Augustine, FL, being the exception. Still, she believed that it could provide benefits locally under certain circumstances, she said.

"It's another tool in the toolbox," Anderson said. "It's a good carrot for people to join the historic district."

"I think it's worth exploring again," she added of the proposed ordinance's resurrection.

Jefferson County Sheriff's Office presents program to Beta Sigma Phi



Photo submitted

Sheriff Mac McNeill and Major Bill Bullock joined with the local chapter of Beta Sigma Phi in late March to present a program about protecting oneself and one's property. The meeting was hosted by Jean Folsom and Linda Naylor.

Networking event being held at Early Head Start on April 19

Debbie Snapp, *ECB Publishing, Inc.*

The Monticello Jefferson County Chamber After 5 networking event is scheduled to be held this Thursday, April 19 at the Early Head Start Kids Incorporated, located at 395 East Washington Street, in Monticello.

This is an evening social bringing together members of the business community in a fun-filled atmosphere. It's designed to encourage networking and interaction among those attending while enjoying tasty food and drink.

After 5 events are meant to promote business and promote Monticello. Members form comfortable relationships, which strengthens community bonds. People do business with people they know.

Contact Chamber Executive Director Katrina Richardson at (850) 997-5252 for more information and directions.

OBITUARIES

Garner Otis James, Sr.

Husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather, Garner Otis James, 75, passed away Sunday, April 15, 2018, in Tallahassee.

He was born March 17, 1943, in Tallahassee, Florida to Otis Duffy and Mittie Marie James.

Garner was preceded in death by his wife, Grace Thigpen James. He was also predeceased by one son, Garner Otis James, Jr. and one brother, Bobby James. He is survived by one brother Jimmie Daniels and wife Karen, Brewster, WA, sister-in-law, Mary Soule of Tallahassee, FL, son Mike James and daughter-in-law, Dina of Monticello, FL, and daughter Kathy (James) Phillips and husband,

Jerry of Monticello, FL, and daughter-in-law Joy James of Tallahassee, FL, and four grandchildren: Danielle Merritt and husband Clyde of Monticello, FL; Heather James of Monticello, FL, Matthew Phillips of Walnut Hill, FL, and Trevor Phillips of Hendersonville, TN, and two great-grandchildren, Emma and Caroline Merritt of Monticello, FL.

The family will receive friends beginning at 5:00 until 7:00 p.m., Tuesday at Beggs Funeral Homes, 3322 Apalachee Parkway, Tallahassee, FL. Graveside services will be held 11:00 a.m., Wednesday at Oakland Cemetery, Tallahassee, FL.



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* On Sunday, April 22 at 3 p.m. the Sons of Confederate Veterans and the United Daughters of the Confederacy will have a Memorial Service at the Old Monticello Cemetery. The public is invited.

* The Sons of Confederate Veterans purpose is to honor and preserve the history, legacy, honor, and patriotism of the Confederate soldier and the Southern Cause.

* President Abraham Lincoln had three brothers-in-law killed fighting for the Confederacy.

* Over 14,000 Floridians entered Confederate Services and over 5,000 died from wounds or disease.

* It is estimated that around 1000 women fought for either the south or north and many were killed in combat.

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Sheriff and Chief spearhead talks on community safety



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The Chamber Meeting Spotlight speaker was Sherri Dean, one of the organizers for the Sheriff David Hobbs Memorial Barrel Race and Boots & Badges Sponsor Party. She introduced guest celebrity for the fundraising events, Jerry Byrd. Pictured, from left to right, are: Chamber Executive Director Katrina Richardson, Jerry Byrd, Sherri Dean, and Chamber President Bob Davison.

Debbie Snapp,
ECB Publishing, Inc.

The Monticello Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce members received an update Tuesday, April 13, regarding what local law enforcement is doing in the Jefferson and Monticello area about crime prevention and personal home safety. They discussed things like watching over our elderly citizens, as they are the most vulnerable; alarm

systems and security lights; concealed weapon permits and most importantly, personal responsibility. "If you see something, say something! Have a presence in your community. Be engaged."

Monticello Police Chief Fred Mosley and Jefferson County Sheriff Mac McNeill took to the podium together to answer questions and calm concerns. They shared valuable information with the audience, information

that would be helpful for all. They also offered to make themselves available to the community if they should have questions that needed answers. They shared the good things happening in the community, noting the "Monticello is a great place to live and raise a family."

Mosley and McNeill spoke proudly of their city and county and this county's citizens. They also spoke proudly of their employees, noting that each one is well-



ECB Publishing Inc. Photo By Debbie Snapp, April 3, 2018

Jefferson County Sheriff Mac McNeill (left) and Monticello Police Chief Fred Mosley (right) were guest speakers for the April Monticello Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce Membership Meeting. They spoke about law enforcement in our community. They are pictured here with Executive Director Katrina Richardson.

educated in their fields of expertise and more than willing to help those they are employed to protect.

McNeill also mentioned that since 1999, rules dealing with schools have changed.

"A lot is changing for the good," he said. "We have to be prepared for the worst (school shootings) by neutralizing the threat," said McNeill. "Our law enforcement officers are trained in the schools."

Sherri Dean was the Chamber Meeting Spotlight. Dean is one of the organizers for the Sheriff David Hobbs Memorial

Barrel Race and the Boots & Badges Sponsor Party. She talked about those upcoming activities and introduced guest celebrity for the events, Jerry Byrd, to the members and their guests.

"He has a very busy week ahead of him," quipped Dean. She encouraged involvement in the fundraising events, the profits of which went to the Jefferson Senior Citizens Center.

Executive Director Katrina Richardson mentioned to the group that the Chamber Bike Fest is scheduled for May 12, and on May 1, Covenant Hospice will be "Making Wishes" for residents at Brynwood Center H&R.

Spring Visions showing at The Arts

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Jefferson Arts invites the community to view 'Spring Visions' paintings by Linda Van Beck and 'Sculptural Clay' forms by Judith Birtman in the Gallery.

The show opens on Saturday, May 5, with a reception from 2 to 4 p.m. and will continue through May 30. Light refreshments will be served while visiting with the artists.

Artist Judith Birtman's altered wheel-thrown and hand-

built sculptural clay forms are reminiscent of the female forms found in the temple complexes of the ancient world. They include the simplicity of form with complex patterning.

Artist Linda Van Beck's panels are a vision of the spring landscape from a birds-eye perspective high above the earth.

Regular hours for the Jefferson Arts Gallery are Wednesdays and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. or call (850) 997-3311 for an appointment. The gallery is located at 575 West Washington Street.



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Cat & Dog Theology

a ministry offered at Elizabeth Baptist Church

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Unveiling Glory Ministries will be at Elizabeth Baptist Church holding a series of special meetings on April 22 and 23. This ministry is open to any and all wishing to grow in the Lord.

The ministry will share a unique, memorable, humor-filled, Scripture-based way of communicating the need for Christians to re-think their relationship with their Master (God).

The purpose of Cat and Dog Theology is to call the global church away from its self-centeredness and to focus on the glory of God. It is an international teaching ministry and its goal is to assist Christians in living for the glory of God, and doing it in a more joyful manner.

Unveiling Glory Ministries is a ministry committed to helping the body of Christ discover the Glory of the Lord in new ways and to see His glory go to all the nations of the earth.

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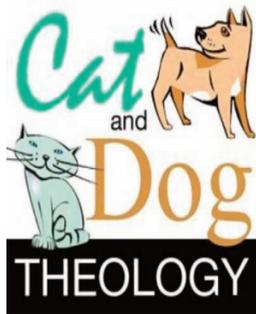
veterinarians!"

Meeting session one will be held on Sunday,

April 22 at 11 a.m.; session two will be held at 1:15 p.m.; and session three will be held at 6 p.m. Then, on Monday, April 23 session four will be held at 7 p.m.

Lunch will be provided on Sunday at 12:15 p.m. by Poppa's Dog House. Separate children's sessions will be held simultaneously with the youth and

adult sessions. Elizabeth Baptist Church is located at 4124 Bassett Dairy Road. Rev. Robert Dennison is pastor. Contact the church at (850) 997-8444 or call Pastor Dennison at (850) 559-5177 for more information about this very special program.



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Garden Club Flower Show April 28

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The Monticello Garden Club will bring back its Flower Show & Charity Plant Sale from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, April 28 at the Wirick-Simmons House.

This event is free and open to the public. It's a non-judged show, presented to the community for fun and pleasure. Each Garden Circle will show at least six floral arrangements. There will be a variety of arrangements in the house for the public to view and purchase, and be sure to visit the plant sale on the outdoor patio.

The sale will feature a selection of annuals, veggies, perennials, daylilies, landscape plants, butterfly attractants and so much more.

So, get yourself ready for Spring and help support the Garden Circle community service activities and scholarship programs, including 4-H Summer Camps.

The Wirick-Simmons House is located just north of the courthouse on Highway 19, on the corner of Pearl Street, across from the Monticello Post Office.

Monticello given a spring look



ECB Publishing, Inc. Photo By Ashley Hunter, April 14, 2018

During The Big Spring Clean 2018 on Saturday, April 14, the Old Jail Museum got a bit of a facelift. A new sign was placed in front of the jail with the hopes of being more visually appealing than the old sign as well as general cleaning and other visual improvements, such as planting flowers and shrubs around the new sign. Pictured, from left to right, are: Michele Arceneaux, Byron Arceneaux, Tom Randall and Zef Fessenden.



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If you are driving through Downtown Monticello and you see a bit more color and life to the street corners, you can thank the busy crew who volunteered their time for The Big Spring Clean on Saturday, April 14. Around town, volunteers cleaned windows, picked up trash, planted flowers and plants while keeping busy on the sunny Saturday. Pictured from left to right, are: Kim Davis, Joey Davis and Matthew Arceneaux while they plant flowers on the corner of Cherry and Dogwood streets.

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Clothing Giveaway on May 5

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'Clothed With Joy' will sponsor a Free Clothing Giveaway from 10 to 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 5 at the First Presbyterian Church, in the fellowship hall, on East Dogwood Street.



There's a selection of summer clothes for boys and girls, in all sizes. This is a community service event for all. Plan to come and be blessed.

Volunteers are needed to help sort clothing at 1 p.m. on April 30, May 1, 2, 3 and 4.

For more information contact Coordinator Michelle Dollar at mmdollar@bellsouth.net.

Smoke On The Mountain playing at the Monticello Opera House

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Smoke On The Mountain is a gospel, bluegrass show that's fun for the whole family. You'll sing along and tap your toes to your favorite songs like "Church in the Wildwood", "Angel Band", "Taking a Flight" and so much more.

The year is 1938 in Mount Pleasant, North Carolina. The Sander's family performs their gospel show at a Saturday night sing at the Mount Pleasant Baptist Church. Through song and testimony and some hilarious shenanigans, you learn about the family and their trials and tribulations.

Love conquers all during this enjoyable and fun evening play from MadCo, starring Melanie Mays, Jeff Whitty, Larry Blake, Michelle Dollar, David Balogh, Mary Rose Schwier, and Benjamin Britton.

The show begins on Friday, April 20 and will run through Sunday,

April 29. On Friday and Saturday evenings the shows will start at 8 p.m. with optional dinner at 7 p.m. On Sunday, April 22, there will be two shows. At 12:30 p.m. an optional lunch will follow the matinee performance, with appetizers during the pre-show for the church crowd; and at 7 p.m. with optional dinner at 6 p.m. Then, on Sunday, April 29, there will be two shows. At 2 p.m. with optional lunch at 1 p.m. and at 7 p.m. with optional dinner at 6 p.m.

This play is perfect for families, church groups and those longing for a simpler time.

Catering will be by Carrie Ann & Co. with a Friday and Saturday evening menu of salad, fried chicken, mashed potatoes, sauteed green beans, rolls with butter and dessert. The Sunday lunch menu will be fried chicken, potato salad, sliced tomatoes, rolls with butter, dessert.

Early Childhood Class at NFCC Beginning May 7

Story submitted

The North Florida Community College (NFCC) Early Childhood Education program is enrolling now for its summer Early Childhood Professional Certificate (ECPC) course. Class begins May 7 and can be completed in 15 weeks or one semester.

The ECPC course is an approved credential for VPK instructors and meets the Florida Department of Children and Families (DCF) Staff Credential requirements. The program is eligible for federal financial aid and the T.E.A.C.H. Early Childhood Scholarship Program. Students of the ECPC program gain valuable experience working in early childcare centers outside of class. The course is also aligned with National Child Development Associate (CDA) credentialing allowing students to seek national certification through additional requirements and fee payment. A Level II Background screening is required to enroll in the course.

For more information, contact Denise Callaway, Coordinator of Early Childhood Education at NFCC, at (850) 973-9449 or callawayd@nfcc.edu. More information is also available at www.nfcc.edu/academics/programs-of-study.



Apply for a Summer 2018 Scholarship for NFCC by April 30

Story submitted

A new semester at North Florida Community College (NFCC) is right around the corner as students gear up for Summer Term of 2018. Alongside the arrival of a new term comes the opportunity to apply for summer scholarships until the scholarship application deadline on April 30.

The NFCC Foundation awards scholarships each term to eligible students as supplemental funds to help in covering the cost of tuition, books and fees. Individual and organizational scholarships, for those planning to enroll in Summer 2018, are available for application until the April 30th deadline.

Restrictions and requirements vary with each scholarship, however basic eligibility for funds is a minimum of a 2.0 GPA. Applicants are also required to fill out a Free Application For Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to be considered for a scholarship. Scholarships may be applied for through the NFCC Foundation, Inc. located on the NFCC campus, Bldg. #36 (Development and External Affairs/NFCC

Foundation Office). Scholarship applicants may stop by the Foundation Office, call (850) 973-9414 or email Foundation@nfcc.edu for more information and scholarship applications.

The North Florida Community College Foundation, Inc. is a separate not-for-profit, IRS approved 501(c)(3) corporation chartered to provide financially for the educational needs of NFCC programs and students from Hamilton, Jefferson, Lafayette, Madison, Suwannee and Taylor counties that cannot be met through state aid or student tuition income.

For more information about the NFCC Foundation or scholarships at NFCC, visit www.nfcc.edu.

Scholarship money available to peanut growers

Story submitted

The Florida Peanut Producers Association is pleased to announce the opening of their 2018 Scholarship Award Program.

Two \$1,200 scholarships will be awarded to deserving high school seniors and/or college students. The applicant or someone in the applicant's family must be an actively producing

peanut grower, not necessarily a member of the FPPA.

Each winner will receive \$600 when the scholarship winners are announced. The remaining \$600 will be awarded after the completion of one semester and documentation of passing grades is submitted to the FPPA Office.

"The Florida Peanut Producers Association is committed to helping further the education of young

people in Florida and the scholarship program is evidence of our commitment," said Ken Barton, Executive Director of the FPPA.

"The FPPA welcomes all applicants. The final selection will be made by the committee and all applicants will be notified by mail, as will the scholarship winners," said Barton. To get an application, call (850) 526-2590, stop by the FPPA Office at 2741 Penn Ave., Suite 1, Marianna, FL 32448, or look for it on the FPPA website at www.flpeanuts.com and print it out at home. The scholarship applications must be postmarked no later than July 1, 2018.

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Dale Hackle retires after long, accomplished career at North Florida Community College

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North Florida Community College (NFCC) recently honored Dale Hackle for 40 years of dedicated service and outstanding commitment to his job, the NFCC family and our community. Dale was born in South Florida and moved to Madison in 1977. In March 1978, he began working at NFCC (then North Florida Junior College) as a maintenance carpenter under the direction of then Maintenance Supervisor Ralph Williams. Dale assumed leadership of the department in 1984 and served as Director of Physical Plant at NFCC through December 2017.

“It’s been a pleasure working with everyone over the years,” said Dale. “It sure has been a challenging and rewarding experience.”

Throughout his career, Dale says he most enjoyed working with all the new construction and maintenance projects and is proud of the campus improvements made over the years. The majority of NFCC buildings have either been remodeled or were built during his tenure.

Dale played an instrumental role in helping get campus facilities and grounds functioning and repaired after an EF3 category tornado hit NFCC in 1988, destroying and damaging buildings and uprooting trees along its path through campus. “It was quite the challenge to get building roofs dried in and to have debris removed to be able to have classes going again. We were closed for four days before we reopened.”

He also had the privilege of working for eight of NFCC’s nine presidents during his years of service. Beginning early in his career and still, Dale is praised for doing an admirable job, for being a fair and strong leader, and for his outstanding dedication to NFCC, the campus and his colleagues.

“Dale has been an amazing steward of NFCC’s campus for decades,” said NFCC President John Grosskopf. “His dedication to the College and the students we serve are a model for the rest of us who serve.”

Dale is married to Gail Hackle who currently works as a senior staff assistant in the NFCC Public Safety Academy. They have been married 42 years, have two sons and three grandchildren. Dale said he was looking forward to spending more time with his family and doing more woodworking, fishing and camping in retirement. He officially passed his NFCC “tool belt” on to current NFCC Director of Physical Plant Glenn Strickland at the end of the year.

“I have enjoyed working with everyone over the years,” said Dale. “I wish the College and its employees the best in the future.”



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NFCC President John Grosskopf (left) and NFCC retiree Dale Hackle (right) are pictured together during Hackle’s retirement reception.

NFCC student Monica Powe honored at All-Florida Academic Team awards ceremony in Tampa

Story Submitted

North Florida Community College (NFCC) student Monica Powe was named to the 2018 Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) All-Florida Academic Team and honored among the most outstanding students in the Florida College System at an awards ceremony in Tampa on April 6. Powe received recognition and a medallion for her outstanding academic achievement, leadership and service to the community. She was among 133 Florida College System students and a total of 141 students from across the state named to the All-Florida Academic Team.



Photo Submitted

NFCC Student Monica Powe received her medal at the 2018 All-Florida Academic Team awards ceremony in Tampa on April 6.

“The ceremony was beautiful and elegant,” said Powe. “I had the opportunity to meet the Chancellor of The College Florida System [Madeline Pumariega] and several other team members. It was amazing to know that I was selected to be rewarded for my academic success and represent my college [NFCC] with 141 other students around Florida. After the ceremony, a University of South Florida tour was provided. The tour solidified my choice of transferring to USF after finishing the RN program at NFCC. I am so blessed to be able to have this experience and meet so many people.”

Powe began her journey at NFCC as a high school dual enrollment student attending Lafayette High School. She completed over half of her Associate in Arts (A.A.) degree credits while in high school, completed her A.A. degree in December 2017, and is now enrolled in the Associate in Science in Registered Nursing program at NFCC expecting to graduate in the spring of 2019.

“After graduating high school, I decided to stay at NFCC to complete my A.A. to save time and money,” said Powe. “I later chose to apply to NFCC’s RN program because it is local, affordable, and I was familiar with the campus and several staff members.”

Powe plans to continue her education and move up the nursing career ladder. “I want to transfer to the University of South Florida to complete my Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) as well as my Master of Science in Nursing (MSN),” said Powe. “There are several MSN specialties, but I will earn my Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist (CRNA).”

Powe says NFCC has made a tremendous contribution to her education thus far. “As I grew up, I knew I wanted to pursue a career where I would be able to positively impact a person and their life,” said Powe. “Without NFCC and its staff, I would be nowhere near reaching the current milestones that I am pursuing.”

Powe is Vice President of NFCC’s Phi Theta Kappa Mu-Xi Chapter and has been a PTK NFCC’s Fall Term 2017. NFCC is proud to recognize Powe as an outstanding student along with PTK and the Florida College System.

“Monica is among our most intuitive students,” said Julie Walden, NFCC Nursing Instructor. “She is an outstanding student and is exceptional in the classroom and in our on-the-job student clinicals. She is the full package and is destined to be an amazing nurse.”

Powe credits her parents for instilling in her a strong work ethic and determination. “I believe that the strong work ethic that was instilled in me at an early age by my parents is what I owe my success to,” said Powe. “I have been taught that you have to work hard for the things you want because, if they are worth it, they will not come easy. I have stood by that logic so far and will continue to do so to fulfill my hopes and dreams.”



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NFCC President John Grosskopf (left) congratulates Monica Powe (right) for being honored as an outstanding student.

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A look at the lives of our linemen Bill Kinsey and Terry Dobson

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Bill Kinsey is a Serviceman and has been a lineman with Tri-County Electric Cooperative (TCEC) for 37 years now.

“I got it in my blood, and I can’t get it out; it is the only thing I have ever wanted to do,” says Kinsey about his work at TCEC.

Kinsey is a Monticello native. He graduated from Jefferson County High School. He has been married to his wife Ramona for 33 years and is the father of two children.

Kinsey says his favorite part of being a serviceman is that it makes him feel good to help someone. When he is there to turn the lights back on, he knows that is going to make them happy. He has spent 37 years helping TCEC members by keeping the lights on. Monday through Friday, and



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Bill Kinsey (left), Tri-County Electric Cooperative Serviceman, and Terry Dobson, Tri-County Electric Cooperative Lead Apparatus Technician, are both assets to the community.

on some weekends, Kinsey can be spotted all over Jefferson County carrying out the service and maintenance of the electric distribution system, including outdoor lights, transformers and much more.

Terry Dobson is a Lead Apparatus Technician and has been a lineman with Tri-County Electric Cooperative for 36 years.

“I started on Valentine’s Day in 1983. TCEC was my sweetheart that year,” he says.

Dobson knew back then that working at TCEC would be a great opportunity for him, considering the limited amount of good jobs there were in the area at that time. He also knew several people employed at TCEC and that it would be a great place to work.

Originally from Greenville, Dobson moved to the Monticello area after he married his wife Ronda, over 31 years ago. They have raised three children and are now blessed with seven grandchildren.

As Lead Apparatus Technician for the cooperative, Dobson spends his days maintaining substations and substation equipment, transformers, voltage regulators and other technical equipment. He works with various other equipment components that are essential to providing safe, reliable power to TCEC members.

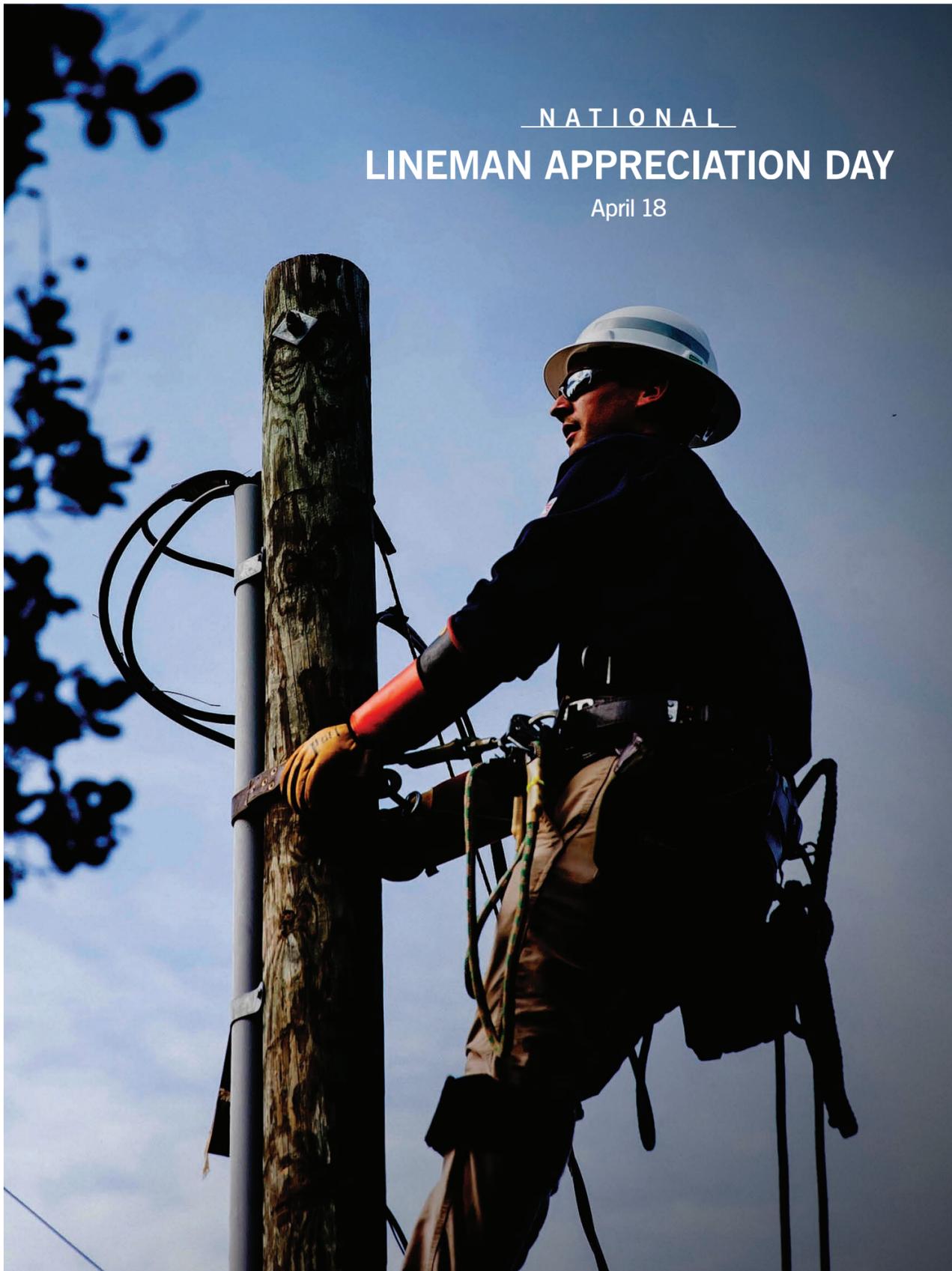
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From the Pulpit...

Putting Humpty Together

Humpty Dumpty sat on a wall, Humpty Dumpty had a great fall, and all the kings horses and all the kings men, couldn't put Humpty together again. But God can.



Pastor John Hicks
First United Methodist Church

One of the things that God has told us about Himself in His Word is that "I am the Lord who heals you." (Exodus 15:26) He is Jehovah Rapha, the God who wants to heal. I believe this, but with this belief also comes a mystery. God can put Humpty together again, but there are many times God doesn't.

Faith does not always bring healing in terms of physical and emotional cure for our maladies. It's evident as we look around us that some are healed by faith, and others are not.

It happens all the time. I pray with and for people for healing, and sometimes healing takes place the way I desire and picture it. Then there are the times I pray for and with people for healing and it doesn't take place in the manner or time I have envisioned or would like.

Many people are not open to miraculous possibilities in their lives because they simply will not admit to any problem, any need, or any inadequacy of any kind. For some that attitude evidences itself in the fact that they will not come to God at all.

And even those of us who have asked Jesus into our lives often live and act as though we have to live the Christian life on our own strength and power.

If we want our miracle, if we want spiritual healing, there must be a point at which we are willing to admit our problem or condition; then turn to God with open heart and belief that God will meet our needs as we do our part to seek

healing. We need to have a desire to get well, not excuses for why we can't. When we allow ourselves to embrace excuses, we resign ourselves to the fact that there is nothing we can do. Our excuses keep us from going the extra mile to seek healing.

Even then, there are times when healing doesn't take place for reasons we don't understand. We aren't alone. The Apostle Paul had "a thorn in his side" which he prayed numerous times for God to remove. God didn't, but enabled Paul to minister out of his disability.

Here's the point: Sometimes our strongest abilities arise out of dealing with our disabilities. Just because some people aren't physically and emotionally healed from the particular malady that has them in its grip, doesn't mean they can't experience wholeness. God may not remove our condition, but He will give us what we need to be whole and overcome it, and possibly even do something for His glory in the midst of it.

God's word to Paul and to us is, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Like Paul, we can proclaim, "I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me. That is why, for Christ's sake, I delight in weaknesses, in insults, in hardships, in persecutions, in difficulties. For when I am weak, then I am strong." (2 Corinthians 12:9-10 NIV)

When Humpty Dumpty experiences happen, God is with us in our brokenness. That means when life gives us lemons, we can make lemonade. When eggs break, we make omelets. In Christ, we can know wholeness even when we're limited. Jesus' call to health and wholeness enables the disabled every day, and will enable us as well.

Struggling to meditate on God's Word?

With three children under the age of four and expecting another, I was a busy and exhausted mama. Worse, the depression I had battled since my teens made my days and my outlook on life feel even more overwhelming.



Sheryl H. Boldt

One afternoon, a friend shared Philippians 4:8 (ESV) with me: "Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things." She emphasized the words "these things."

I looked at her and nodded, faking understanding. But I wish I had been honest and asked her to teach me how to "think about these things." How could I think about true, honorable and lovely things when most of my thoughts were focused on how to make it through another day?

I tried meditating on God's Word, but my thoughts would race – making all the words in the

verse seem to run together. And chasing three small kids with that ever-growing belly of mine didn't leave me with much spare time. Thankfully, I finally developed a method that worked.

Each morning, when I read my Bible and came across a verse that was relevant to my needs for the day, I wrote it on an index card. Since I still had trouble focusing on long sentences, I focused on one small segment at a time.

Using Philippians 4:8 as an example, I wouldn't try to ponder the entire verse at once. Rather, whenever I could grab a minute, I'd think and pray about a few words at a time, such as, "Finally, brothers, whatever is true." Asking the Holy Spirit for insight, I'd pray something like, "Lord, teach me Your truths and how to recognize when the enemy is lying to me." Then I'd pause to allow God to speak to my heart.

An hour or two later, or whenever my thoughts would go in a negative direction, I'd look at the verse again and continue with that same segment or move to the next small segment.

Do you think this would work for you? Try it for a couple of weeks and watch how your thoughts will be transformed by God's Word, one small segment at a time.

Sheryl H. Boldt is the author of the blog, www.TodayCanBeDifferent.net. You can reach her at sherylboldt@gmail.com.

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Photo Submitted
The Eppes Quartet performed at First United Methodist Church on Easter Sunday, April 1st.

Porch de Salomon • Panajachel, Guatemala • www.porchdesalomon.org WAITING FOR JESUS

Story submitted

On the other side of the lake the crowds welcomed Jesus, because they had been waiting for him. Luke 8:40 NLT

What I have come to realize is that Jesus doesn't want us to wait for Him to return. He wants us to get busy being the light of the world and the salt of the earth. He wants us to be His ambassadors of His Kingdom in our community. He wants us to "be Christ" to people around us who have never seen Him, or heard His voice. He wants us to be His hands and His feet to show compassion to people who don't deserve it, but so desperately need it anyway – just like us. Keith Giles, author

March was an exciting and impactful month for Porch de Salomon's service and outreach in Guatemala. Our complete newsletter, at <http://porchdesalomon.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/04/April-2018-PorchTalk.pdf>, contains examples of us and our teams doing the things Mr. Giles references above.

We thank you, our Jefferson County mission partners, for your prayers, your interest, and your financial support, which undergird all we do to bring and "be" Jesus now. Melanie and I will be stateside April 18 –May 30. We'll speak before partner churches, new and old, in Florida, Georgia, Tennessee, and Kentucky. Join us or let us know if you'd like to get together for a chat. We welcome your ideas and input.

Thanks! Lloyd dllloydmonroe@gmail.com or 850-688-2076.



Photo submitted

JESUS SHOWED UP! Teams Killearn UMC/John Wesley UMC (FL) and Crossroads UMC (VA) brought house construction skill and brawn to bear last month. They also provided and funded four days of free village medical clinics, seeing almost 600 patients. Many of these indigenous patients had never seen a health care provider before.

Photos submitted

(Top picture) - A street on the other side of Lake Atitlan is decorated with beautiful colored sawdust. The crowd waits for the hand-carried Jesus float to pass by during this Viernes Santo (Good Friday) ritual.

(Second picture down) - Samuel Par waits for "his Jesus" from inside our confinement house in El Tablon. Luis Castellanos, Samuel's caretaker, feeds him, gives him his anti-psychotic medicine, cleans up behind him, and bathes him five times a week.

You may remember Samuel as the indigenous father whose schizophrenia resulted in him being chained to a light pole, in the elements, for six years. Let us know if you'd like to help fund Porch's care of Samuel, including Luis's modest wages and transportation expenses.



Photos submitted

Our Killearn UMC team had a really valuable time at Porch; it was an awesome experience. Thanks for all you do to serve Christ in Guatemala. We are privileged to be a part of the Porch mission! Team leader Linda Bianco, PA

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Bible Study.....7:00 P.M.

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4:59 pm Choir
5:00 pm TeamKID
6:00 pm Youth
6:00 pm Praise & Worship
Wednesday 5:30 pm
Family Supper
6:30 pm
Youth Potter's Wheel (Grades 6-12)
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6:45 pm
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JEFFERSON COUNTY EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY Equipment Operator II & III

The Jefferson County Board of County Commissioners is seeking qualified applicants for full-time Equipment Operator II and III; "Commercial Driver's License, CDL". **"CLASS B" REQUIRED**

The successful applicant will demonstrate the ability to operate equipment with complex controls requiring a high degree of skill and manipulative ability. The Operator is required to exercise skill and care in the operation of assigned equipment and to perform service and inspection on the equipment as well as protect property from damage. Work is objectively performed to provide a service to the citizens of Jefferson County.

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 - OPERATOR II**
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 - Performs manual work associated with equipment usage
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 - Tractor Trailer, Dump Trucks, Low Boy Transport, etc.
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 - Construction project management able to begin and finish a project as directed by supervisor
 - Items 2,3&4 above as related to duties needed within performance responsibilities

Drug screening and background checks are required; Class B Driver's License in good standing required; (Class A, in good standing desired). Veteran's preference will be given to qualified applicants. Starting salary up to \$12.50 per hour depending upon qualifications. Jefferson County is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer/Drug Free workplace.

To apply, send a Jefferson County Employment application to Jefferson County Road Department, 1484 S. Jefferson St., Monticello, Florida 32344. Applications may be obtained by visiting our website at www.jeffersoncountyfl.gov, Questions? Please contact Tom Kisamore or Parrish Barwick at (850) 342-0287. Closing date is Friday May 4, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. 4/18,25,27, 5/2

NOTICE

The Jefferson County Planning Commission will conduct a Public Hearing regarding an application for a Text Amendment to language in the Jefferson County Land Development Code. The Planning Commission will make a recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners regarding the adoption of the following proposed ordinance amending the County Land Development Code. The Public Hearing will be on May 10, 2018, at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as such matter may be heard, in the courtroom of the Jefferson County Courthouse Annex located at 445 West Walnut Street, Monticello, Florida. The meeting may be continued as necessary.

JEFFERSON COUNTY, FLORIDA PLANNING COMMISSION

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JEFFERSON COUNTY EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY Land-Use Planner

The Jefferson County Board of County Commissioners is seeking qualified applicants for a full-time Land Use Planner. The successful candidate will have earned a Bachelor's degree in Urban and Regional Planning or a related field and a minimum of three years professional planning experience, supervisory experience desired; or, A minimum of ten years professional planning experience to include supervisory experience in public planning or in a planning related field such as experience in a surveying, engineering, and/or architectural firm specializing in land development, including rezoning, planned developments, etc. Appointments to or participation as a member of one or more local government committees, boards, or other organizations or groups associated with land development and/or the regulation of one or more aspects of land development could be indicative of proficiency. While not a requirement, American Institute of Certified Planners (AICP) certification is preferred.

The employee will be responsible for planning, directing and coordinating comprehensive master planning, zoning code administration, and land use regulations as well as administrative functions. Responsibilities include providing technical and administrative support to the Jefferson County Coordinator's Office, Planning Commission, County Commissioners and other public address concerns. The position requires and exercises extensive planning, development and regulatory activities; supervision of administrative staff; and the preparation and management of the annual departmental budget. General direction is received from the Board of County Commissioners.

Drug screening and background checks are required. Veteran's preference will be given to qualified applicants. Jefferson County is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer/Drug Free workplace. Beginning salary \$40,000 dependent upon qualifications.

To apply, send a Jefferson County Employment application to Human Resources, 1 Courthouse Circle, Monticello, Florida 32344. Applications may be obtained by visiting our website at www.jeffersoncountyfl.gov, Questions? Please contact Parrish Barwick or Diana Bullock at (850) 342-0287 or visit our website at www.jeffersoncountyfl.gov. Closing date for this position is Monday, May 7, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. 4/18,25,27,5/2

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Add fresh Tex-Mex flavor to grilled chicken

Backyard barbecues provide the perfect opportunity for grillmasters to experiment with their favorite foods. Those who want to give grilled chicken a tasty twist can whip up this recipe for "Citrus Recado Chicken Breasts" from Eric Treuille and Birgit Erath's "Grilling" (DK Publishing).

- Citrus Recado Chicken Breasts - Serves 4**
- 1 teaspoon: chili powder
 - 1/2 teaspoon: oregano, thyme, cumin, coriander, black pepper
 - 1/4 teaspoon: ground cinnamon, salt
 - 1 tablespoon: dark brown sugar
 - 2 tablespoons: canola oil, fresh lime juice
 - 1/4 cup: orange juice
 - 2 crushed garlic cloves
 - 4 boneless chicken breast halves

With a sharp knife, cut 3 parallel slashes through the skin of the chicken breasts, about 1/4 inch deep. Combine garlic, chili powder, oregano, thyme, cumin, coriander, pepper, cinnamon, sugar, oil, lime juice, and orange juice. Marinate chicken up to 2 hours in advance, refrigerate and turn while marinating. Grill according to instructions below and sprinkle with salt. Serve hot with avocado mango salsa if you prefer.



Outdoor grill: Grill skin-side down over medium-hot coals until skin is crisp, 7 minutes. Turn and continue grilling until chicken is opaque with no trace of pink, another 5 minutes.

Indoor grill: Preheat broiler. Broil skin-side up until skin is crisp, 7 minutes. Turn and continue cooking until chicken is opaque with no trace of pink, another 5 minutes.

- Avocado Mango Salsa**
- 1 diced mango
 - 1 diced avocado
 - 1/2 chopped red onion
 - 1 diced red chile
 - 1 tablespoon: fresh lime juice, red wine vinegar, Tabasco®
 - 2 tablespoons: olive oil, finely chopped mint leaves

Peel, halve, and remove pits from mango and avocado before dicing. For mango, slice fruit carefully away from pit. For avocado, halve lengthwise all the way around the pit, and remove the seed cleanly by tapping into it with the knife and rotating.

Combine mango, avocado, onion, chile, lime juice, vinegar, oil, and mint. Add salt and Tabasco® to taste. Cover and let stand for 30 minutes at room temperature to allow flavors to blend. Serve chilled or at room temperature.

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- City in Sweden
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- Google certification (abbr.)
- Six (Spanish)
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- A local church community

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- "Beastmaster" actor Singer
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