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## School Board votes on the refund to Watermelon Pageant

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The topic of the Kilpatrick Auditorium, which the Jefferson County Watermelon Pageant had rented out prior to the Watermelon Festival, returned to the agenda of the Jefferson County School Board. This time, the matter at hand was whether or not to refund the rental fee which the pageant had been charged and paid. Due to the disgusting conditions which the pageant had found the auditorium in, School Board member Bill Brumfield had suggested, at the June meeting, that a

refund should be considered by the board. The discussion of a refund was, however, tabled during the June meeting and placed on the agenda for the July meeting.

Starting off, a citizen came to the podium to share that he had also rented the Kilpatrick Auditorium in the past and had also found it in less-than-preferred conditions. The citizen cited that his group had rented the building without air conditioning or functioning lights (despite being told

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that the air conditioner was functioning).

"If you're going to refund their money, why not refund our money?" he asked.

Chairperson Sandra Saunders, who had been late to the June meeting, and was not at hand for the presentation and discussion regarding the Kilpatrick Auditorium, requested an update on what was being discussed.

"I can't vote and be fair unless I

know [what is going on]," said Saunders.

Shirley Washington offered to update Saunders and the audience about the subject and launched into a discussion about the auditorium, her feelings on the *Monticello News*, and how she felt the situation should have been handled.

"Emerald Greene [Parsons] came in with some pictures that was taken from the auditorium. She said it came from the bathroom and was the condition of the auditorium and [she] distributed them among everybody in the audience. It was done to degrade this board. Whereas, it could have been done in a better manner. If she had gone to [the] auditorium and found it in the condition that she said, according to the pictures, then the superintendent, the secretary, or a board member- somebody should have gone and seen for themselves, not on pictures," said Washington. Although, according to the Pageant and Watermelon Festival Committee, they had called the school district office and only launched into cleaning the filth up themselves after no one arrived.

"After that, it just blew up in the *Monticello News*. I don't do the *Monticello News*, but other people do. And they were telling me what were in the *Monticello News* concerning the board. How the editor, the people, whatever, were bashing the board because of the auditorium," added Washington, who also took the opportunity to question where the refund money would be going, as the pageant did require a small entry fee for the pageant and had been seeking sponsors for the pageant.

"I'm trying to see where the argument is. Who gets the proceeds from the pageant?" asked Washington.

"I'm going to see what all this is about to degrade the board over \$600."

Then, not yet willing to

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## Congressman to host office hours here Thursday

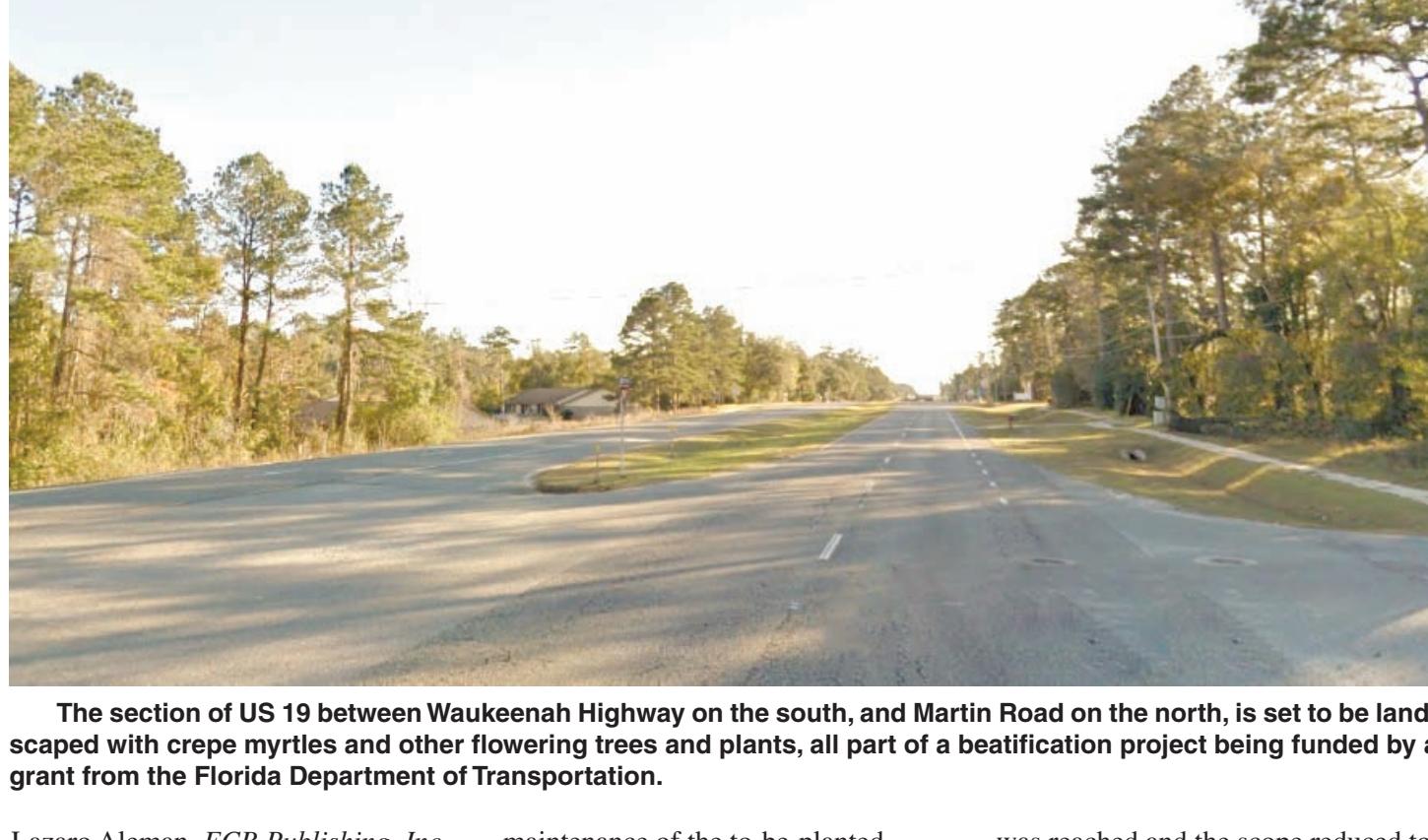
Staff from Congressman Al Lawson's office will be in Jefferson County on Thursday afternoon, July 19, to hear constituents' concerns.

The staff will hold office hours in the community room of the Jefferson County R.J. Bilar Public Library from 12 to 3 p.m., with caseworkers available to discuss with citizens any federal agency issues they may have relative to veteran benefits, Medicare and Medicaid, social security, immigration or the postal service, among others. No appointment is necessary; walk-ins are welcome.

For more information, contact Rep. Lawson's district office at (850) 558-9450.

The library is located at 375 South Water Street.

## US 19 landscaping to begin



The section of US 19 between Waukeenah Highway on the south, and Martin Road on the north, is set to be landscaped with crepe myrtles and other flowering trees and plants, all part of a beautification project being funded by a grant from the Florida Department of Transportation.

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The landscaping of US 19 is expected to begin within the coming months, now that the three key players – the city, county and Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) – have signed off on the project.

The last piece of the puzzle fell into place on Thursday evening, June 21, when the Jefferson County Commission approved the modified contract. Just days earlier, the FDOT had signed off on it, following the city's agreement to undertake the

maintenance of the to-be-planted trees and shrubs.

The FDOT also reduced the amount of the grant from the original \$271,000 to \$153,000, in recognition of the reduced scope of the project.

Originally, the project called for the landscaping of 10,500 feet of select sections of US 19 between I-10 and Martin Road just south of Monticello, including the Drifton railroad overpass area. County officials, however, refused to accept maintenance responsibility, saying it was more than the county could handle. That's when a compromise

was reached and the scope reduced to only the area within the city limits.

The project, which represents phase 2 of what initially was supposed to entail the landscaping of US 19 from I-10 to the city limits in one fell swoop, has been on the drawing board for several years.

Per the latest design plans drawn by landscape architect Winston Lee, the trees to be planted are canopy types, such as magnolias and live oaks, crepe myrtles and other flowering understory species, along with sabal and pindo palms or other hearty shrubs.

## Chamber, Main St. ask for money

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Representatives of two of the community groups that regularly request funding from the city for their operations appeared recently before the Monticello City Council to make their annual asks for the coming fiscal year.

The two were Tom Randall, of Main Street Monticello (MSM), and Katrina Richardson, of the Monticello-Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce. They appeared before the council on Tuesday, July 3. The MSM is asking

for \$4,000, the chamber for \$2,000.

Randall recited a partial list of his group's accomplishments last year, including a halloween party at the old jail and the spring cleanup, when volunteers spruce up the town. He said the haunted jail event had proven particularly popular, especially the inmates' wall writings, detailing their imprisonment days.

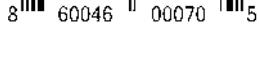
"The writings on the walls of the prisoners were really interesting to the visitors," Randall said, adding that the idea now is to expand the event's offering next year.

Of the spring cleanup, he said the

volunteers had washed windows, cleaned up sidewalks and planted flowers, among other activities to freshen up the town. In fact, he said, the event had gone so well that the MSM was planning to hold a fall cleanup, to prepare the town for the Halloween and Christmas celebrations.

Councilman Troy Avera wanted it noted that more than the monetary contributions that the city made to these organizations, the city also contributed indirectly through its services, such as providing a police

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# Emerald's Gem Box...

## Emerald's ~~Aesop's Fable~~

Once upon a time, deep in the woods, all the different species of animals were having trouble making rules and regulations among

  
Emerald Greene  
Parsons  
Columnist

themselves. So, they came together and decided to elect one animal, from each species, to become their representative. It was decided that each month the elected animals would gather together to discuss the happenings and problems that seemed to be facing all the community animals.

This seemed to work for a while; the meetings were held and the elected animals worked together to help make peace and unity among all the wooded friends. But, soon some decisions were made that the other wild critters did not agree upon. Many of them wished they could attend the elected council's meetings to hear what exactly was being said, what was being voted on and who was voting on which issue. But, it was not possible to attend all the meetings; for some squirrels had to work during the day gathering nuts for the winter, some beavers had to work during meeting times gathering sticks for their dam and some mother birds were busy collecting worms for their babies or teaching them how to fly.

So, once again, all the animals came together for a special meeting. How could they still carry on their busy lives but also know what was happening at the slated meetings? After much discussion and brainstorming it was decided that Mr. Owl would attend every meeting and come back and tell all the wildlife population what had been said and decided at each meeting.

And so it was. Mr. Owl began attending each and every monthly meeting of the elected wildlife animals. He diligently took careful notes and made sure he was accurate in all of his writings. The day after each meeting, the other wildlife creatures would gather around Mr. Owl to hear his report. He would precisely explain everything that occurred during the meeting, being careful not to leave out any details, for he felt it was important that all the other animals know everything that had happened.

Soon, however, another problem seemed to arise. Some (not all, but some) of the elected/appointed animals began to complain about Mr. Owl's news report. Some began saying he was not reporting accurately and was not reporting what they said exactly. Mr. Owl was even accused of changing their words and adding words that they did not say!

Mr. Owl, knowing that he would never make words up or change them, also knew he needed to come up with a wise decision. So, he asked Miss

Parrot to join him at the meeting.

The next month's meeting arrived and Mr. Owl and Miss Parrot went to the council meeting together. Mr. Owl took his precise notes, as usual, and Miss Parrot listened to every word that was spoken.

The very next day, all the community animals gathered around Mr. Owl and Miss Parrot to hear the results of the previous meeting. Mr. Owl gave his very detailed news report, as always. But, this month when he was accused of making things up (by those select few council animals), Miss Parrot was there to mimic back every word that had been spoken, thus proving that Mr. Owl was only doing his job and reporting what had been said, and nothing more.

As the months went on, some of the animals of the forest really began voicing their desires of wishing they could be at each meeting; but time just did not permit them to do it! So, Miss Parrot began to think and ponder on what could be a good solution for her wooded friends. She then gathered all her other parrot friends together and told them all of the wonderful idea she had.

When the next month's meeting rolled around, Mr. Owl, Miss Parrot and all Miss Parrot's friends flew to the meeting place. Mr. Owl and Miss Parrot perched on the same tree limb, as usual. However, Miss Parrot's friends began spacing themselves out, on different tree limbs, that stretched from the meeting point all throughout the woods. Everywhere you looked you could see a parrot perched on a tree limb... waiting.

The meeting convened. Mr. Owl, once again, began taking his precise notes. However, Miss Parrot mimicked the precise words to the parrot in the nearby tree as the words were being spoken. That parrot, in turn, mimicked the exact words to the next parrot, who mimicked to the next parrot who mimicked to the next parrot. Soon every animal in the forest could hear what was happening, during the meeting, as it was happening. The animals loved being able to hear the meeting "live" and asked the parrots to please continue to do it each month.

This seemed to be a "win/win" for everyone involved, for Mr. Owl had even more validation for his news reports and it didn't deter his news story the next day, at all. Not all animals were within hearing distance of the parrots. Some animals were working far off or were too busy to stop to listen, so they were still glad Mr. Owl gave his report the next day.

The Moral Of the Story ...

- 1) We don't make the news; we just report it
- 2) We have audio recordings of all meetings and are posting them on our website
- 3) we will begin going live on Facebook for all meetings



We complain about Shirley Washington, but the African American Community and Jefferson County citizens have elected her time and time again. Is there not a single parent, professional, housewife, that can run against her? The chrome book discussion didn't need to be public. Openly berated each other again. Shame on you. If Jesus sat at the table would the discussion change? Let us all be a better example for the children. Anti-bullying campaigns are required at schools, Does the school need a board or just a superintendent. Our community and county need a leader who encourages one to honor all citizens and encourages unity not division.



## A Reasonable Faith

Philippine President Rodrigo Duterte seems to be unhappy with the Catholic Church and has said he would

resign if anyone can prove God exists. Just last month he said God was stupid. Which is it? God cannot be stupid and not exist at the same time. And if He does exist, it would be foolish to call Him stupid.

If this is an example of atheistic reasoning don't expect to talk me out of my faith. Atheists appeal to reason because they think it displaces faith; they think the two are mutually exclusive. The truth is both exist within everyone. The question is not whether reason supplants faith; the question we should be asking is your faith reasonable, because everyone has a belief system that cannot be proven.

It is significant to note that Duterte did not stake his presidency on his ability to prove God does not exist, because he can't. The person who believes God does not exist believes something he cannot prove.

An atheist wrote that "atheists do not believe in believing," but that is a complete lie. They believe there is no God or an afterlife, but cannot disprove either, all they can say about such things are what they believe, because they have no proof. The atheist does "believe in believing."

The difference between the Christian and the atheist is the Christian is honest

about what he believes. "Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen," (Hebrews 11:1). Faith is believing in things that cannot be "seen." An atheist believes in things that cannot be seen also, he merely attempts to cloak what he believes in reason.

Ravi Zacharias has said, "God has provided enough evidence to make it reasonable to believe Him; yet has left enough out that we cannot come to Him by reason alone; we must come by faith."

There is enough observable design in the natural realm to deduce an intelligent designer, but He has designed things in such a way that it still requires faith, a trust in His word, to know Him. And if one is unwilling to even admit He exists, how can that one expect to know Him.

The fact that God exists is innate. Paul speaking of unbelievers declares, "that which is known about God is evident within them," (Romans 1:19). Atheism is not so much a denial of God's existence as it is an expression of their frustration that God does not act in a way that they think He should.

They would serve God if they could do so in an advisory capacity, but they refuse to yield to a God they believe is "stupid" and fail to consider their judgment is imperfect or impaired.

C. S. Lewis said, "I believe in Christianity as I believe the sun has risen: not only because I see it, but because by it I see everything else." That statement for one who believes has the ring of reason.



## Letters To The Editor

Letters to the Editor are typed word for word, comma for comma, as sent to this newspaper.  
Please keep letter to 600 words or less.

## More on Board

After reading the article in the

*Monticello News* last week, it became crystal clear regarding the failure of our school board. After reading the coverage of the board meeting, one thing was evident, Shirley Washington's behavior towards Ms. Arbulu was publicly gruesome. Ms. Washington completely dominated the entire meeting. And if you looked in the dictionary for the word bully, Ms. Washington picture would be there. This all could have been avoided, if someone had investigated the issue

and concluded with the facts. We do

not know if Ms. Arbulu is innocent or guilty. But let's find out before we publicly humiliate her. If this is an indicator of the school boards normal process, it is really not difficult to understand why we had been among the worst school systems in the state. Ask yourself this, why would the charter school ask any advice from this woman.

Best regards,

Lawrence Beger

Monticello

## Hot, Hot Board Meeting

It makes one wonder why at the last Jefferson County School Board meeting the same explanation by Superintendent Arbulu had to be repeated several times for some board members to finally understand the conversation. However, if one wishes to conjure up a time consuming argument then definitely to demand statements be repeated over and over works. Constantly complaining and ripping into each other has become the norm for our Jefferson County School Board. Mr. Brumfield was correct in interjecting that the people now are paying close attention as to what comedy plays out at the so called board meetings.

Somerset has succeeded in one year to place Somerset Jefferson County as the most improved school in the entire state of Florida. What the

board could not accomplish in years they managed in less than 1 year. Why in the world would anyone look at our board with anything but embarrassment, as the numbers do not lie. We need to organize to turn our county into a total charter county, so that our school board can be abolished, and these people that continually show grievous behavior during a school board meeting will be out of a good paying job for constantly being the joke of Florida. Thank you *Monticello News* for electing to attend those laughable board meetings so the citizens of Jefferson County can understand how a group of people have been allowed to run amok!!!!!!! Yes, School Board We Are Watching!!!!!!

Becky Bryson

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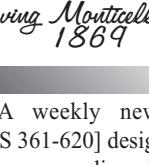
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relinquish her hold of the floor, Washington brought up the price of advertising within the *Monticello News*.

Topics such as the *Monticello News* being paid to print delinquent tax certifications from the Tax Collector to charging \$10 for thank-you notes were fumed over by Washington.

"I'm trying to see what the problem is, degrading the board over paying \$600," questioned Washington. "I wanted the citizens of Jefferson County to see how much the *Monticello News* is making off of them, just by printing their name in the paper. You are all upset, going to degrading this board, for \$600 and some dollars."

Not yet finished, Washington added: "I don't read the *Monticello News*. It disturbs me. It is confusing to some people."

After Washington had ceased in her almost five minute tirade, Saunders spoke up: "Again...I still don't know what was wrong [with the auditorium]."

Board member Charles Boland spoke up against Washington saying, "I am not degraded by what was said, because I voted, to begin with, to not charge the Watermelon Festival for the use of the auditorium. So don't include me in that, Ms. Washington, as being one of the board members who is being degraded. I am not degraded because I voted my conscious and I voted for what the citizens of Jefferson County want."

Parsons was asked to come to the front and inform the board, the chairperson and the audience of the subject of the item on the agenda for the sake of clarity for everyone involved.

According to Parsons, the pageant committee had arrived at the auditorium the day of the pageant rehearsals (as they had been unable to receive a key from the school district prior to that day) and found an infestation of filth. The dressing rooms were littered with trash. Moldy waste filled up toilets; one toilet was reportedly so full of waste that it could not be cleaned or unstopped and the pageant committee had to put up an 'out of order' sign. The auditorium stage was full of chairs and risers, which needed to be moved by the committee. The trash cans were full of garbage, rotting food, and insects. The seating area in the main auditorium was littered with trash. There were only two working stage lights. The air condition was not operating properly. The stage curtains were stuck and required the committee to climb up ladders and remove the cords holding the curtains back. One side of the auditorium had a water leak, which left the carpet soaked and smelling of mildew; the mildew smell and fumes gave several of the committee members headaches throughout the weekend and one contestant slipped on the wet carpet and hit his head; according to the contestant's mother, he had been on concussion watch as a result of his fall. The stage floor was dusty and grimy, even after the pageant committee's attempts to sweep it clean.

The back door of the auditorium had been left unlocked, resulting in a building that was not secure.

The grass was long and, according

to Parsons, looked as if it had not been cut in weeks.

Upon discovering the condition of the auditorium, the committee had called Superintendent Arbulu and requested that the custodian, who was under the payroll of the school district, to come and assist with the cleaning but the custodian did not arrive until Saturday morning, long after the committee had been required to clean the mess up themselves. Further, the committee had to go out and purchase all the unexpectedly needed cleaning supplies in order to get the auditorium in presentable condition.

"We never said 'give us a refund'... If it seemed implied, it might have [been]," said Parsons. "Mr. Brumfield made the suggestion to do the refund for us. Mr. Boland had spoken up and said he agreed and didn't think we should've been charged, to begin with."

After a moment, Parsons added, "What all does this have to do with what my printing bill to *Bainbridge Post Searchlight*...I have no idea."

As soon as Parsons had finished, Washington added, under her breath, "I'm not paying that \$600."

"\$600 for the Jefferson Watermelon Pageant or \$600 for the *Monticello News*?" inquired Parsons, to which Washington replied: "You were the spokesman, so you were over the pageant and you're the editor to the *Monticello News*...either way, you take it."

Parsons attempted to clear up with Washington that the \$600 would not go to the *Monticello News* in any way, and that Parsons would not benefit from the refund at all.

"I'm not drawing a paycheck. I'm here as a volunteer for Jefferson County, trying to do something for the Jefferson County girls. If you want to sit there and bash evil on me for that, then you go right ahead."

Not one to back down, Washington commented on Parsons' suggestion at the last board meeting in June that if the auditorium did not receive more attention and care from the school district and no other building came accessible for the pageant, the pageant may face having to move to Madison.

"You (Parsons) said you could take it to Madison, you were the one saying that. Maybe you would like to consider that. You might want to consider that," said Washington.

The audience began to stir and talk at this point, causing Chairperson Saunders to regain control of the boardroom before asking if Superintendent Arbulu had been aware of the issues at the auditorium, which Arbulu confirmed and the board agreed that they had been made aware of the situation at the auditorium after the last meeting in June.

Nan Baughman, chairperson of the 2018 Watermelon Festival stood, requesting a chance to speak (which was granted by Saunders).

"When we made the presentation at the last board meeting, we were doing that to make the board aware. We didn't ask for the refund; Mr. Brumfield suggested it." In response, Chairperson Bill Brumfield nodded. "Mr. Boland never wanted to charge us. We just wanted the board - [who] is always saying 'we don't know what's going on' - to

ask," Rissman said.

Randall responded that in fact the focus of his group's efforts and any economic development benefits that derived thereof from such events mostly accrued to Monticello, as opposed to the other communities in the county. So that in effect, he said, it was appropriate that the city should contribute a greater portion.

Richardson's presentation was more to the point. She cited the four main events that the chamber sponsors annually to help the city's economic development efforts. These are the bike fest, the watermelon festival, the chili cook-off challenge, and the barbecue fest, each of which she said brought visitors and money

see. We wanted to make the board aware of the condition that the auditorium was in. That was all," added Baughman.

Parsons spoke again, turning to the citizen who had spoken at the beginning of the topic's introduction to the meeting. "But what I'm hearing is this gentleman has come forward and also said that he's complained in the past too."

The citizen joined Parsons at the podium, saying that he believed that, should the board refund the pageant's rental funds, then he was also due a refund.

"All I'm saying is that if you refund them for the air conditioner not working, and for the way that the auditorium was set up, then you need to do the same for me," he said.

"Absolutely," agreed Saunders. "And if that happens, then you will be placed on the agenda too for the same thing."

Gladys Roann-Watson asked Superintendent Arbulu if the facility's rent was broken up in any way, such as a defined portion for utilities or insurance.

"We've pretty much broken it out. It's rental fee, plus clean up, plus utilities. Everything is spelled out in our policy of lease agreement," said Arbulu.

According to Roann-Watson, the board was going "around and around", when they had the option in front of them to refund the portion of the rental fee that the pageant had been found unsatisfactory within the auditorium.

"Next time, someone needs to do a walk through with whoever is going to rent it," added Roann-Watson, as that it would help prevent the situation from taking place again. Arbulu stated that in the future, a walk-through would be held before any rental agreement was signed.

After discussing hiring a reliable custodian for the board to depend on, and the fact that the school board had charged for the funeral of Jefferson County Sheriff David Hobbs, Brumfield made a motion to refund the custodian's money as well as half of the utilities, and the rental fee. Brumfield's motion also included not paying the custodian who was supposed to have cleaned the auditorium.

Boland asked how much the refund would come to, and Arbulu gave a rough estimate of around \$250.

"They did not come for the refund, so whatever we give them is out of the ballpark," said Saunders. "They wanted to make the board aware and now we know; this will not happen again."

At this point, Roann-Watson made a counter motion, in order to prevent the school district staff from having to go back, do the math and keep the situation prolonged, that the board gives back \$300 to the pageant.

"I say we give them their \$600 back," said Boland.

Brumfield seconded Roann-Watson's motion, withdrawing his own, in favor of supporting her motion.

The motion to refund \$300 back to the pageant/festival was approved 3-2, with Shirley Washington and Sandra Saunders voting against the motion.

In closing, Saunders asked the board if they had any closing comments or remarks.

"I think we are giving the

Chamber of Commerce the shaft," said Boland, who also offered to personally compensate the pageant/festival committee on some of the money that they are not being refunded.

"I'm sure they will be eternally grateful," suggested Saunders, before asking if Roann-Watson or Brumfield had any comments – both declined.

Saunders then turned the floor over to Board member Shirley Washington for her own closing comments, which took up a total of two minutes and thirty seconds.

"I just wish the *Monticello News* report everything I say correctly. I don't read it – but other people read it. One thing about the *Monticello News*, if I would read it, it would really steal my joy [and] I don't want the *Monticello News*, or anything or anybody else, to steal my joy," said Washington.

"Regardless, whoever it is that writes such negative articles, then that's where their heart is, that's where their mind is, but I am commanded to still love them in spite of [that]."

"It's really doing me well. I went to the doctor last week, they have taken me off all my medicine and I said 'Gee, boy, that *Monticello News* paper, it is really doing me well!'" Washington added.

In response to the unveiled attack on the *Monticello News*, Parsons asked Washington to clarify what the refund to the pageant had to do with Parsons' business, which was in no way affiliated with the Watermelon Pageant or Chamber of Commerce.

"What does this have to do with the Chamber? It is a personal attack and a personal vendetta," said Parsons.

"You were the representative last month to the board meeting. I thought you were in charge," said Washington.

"Was I representing the *Monticello News* or the Jefferson County Watermelon Pageant?" asked Parsons.

"Well, you're the editor of the *Monticello News*, so that makes a big difference," Washington added.

"I am also a mother, but you aren't going to stand here and talk about my children. I came here as the Jefferson County Watermelon Pageant" Parsons started, only for Washington to interrupt with "Did I talk about your children? I didn't say anything about your children. Let's get it straight now, did I say anything about your children? I didn't even know you had any children."

At that point, Saunders banged the gavel, as the audience began to stir and murmur in response to Washington's comment towards Parsons. Saunders' took the floor back, saying she had no further comments, and Brumfield made the motion to adjourn, with all the board voting in agreement.

The Jefferson County School Board will have a special meeting on Tuesday, July 24, with the next regularly scheduled school board meeting to be held on Monday, August 13.

*Can't make the School Board meetings yourself? ECB Publishing, Inc. is now posting audio clips from the meetings on our website! Visit: [ecbpublishing.com/audio](http://ecbpublishing.com/audio) to listen to the meeting yourself, or tune in to our Facebook page to watch the meetings live as they occur.*

## MONEY

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presence during the festivals and city crews to clean up after the events.

Councilman Steve Rissman, for his part, wanted to know exactly how much the county contributed to the MSM.

"I'm always the bad guy," Rissman said.

"But what does the county contribute?"

The county, Randall said, contributed about \$4,000.

Of which amount 20 percent came from city taxpayers, Rissman countered, making the perennial argument that in the city and county relationship, the city often gets shorted.

"It seems that we get the disproportionate

ask," Rissman said.

Randall responded that in fact the focus of his group's efforts and any economic development benefits that derived thereof from such events mostly accrued to Monticello, as opposed to the other communities in the county. So that in effect, he said, it was appropriate that the city should contribute a greater portion.

Richardson's presentation was more to the point. She cited the four main events that the chamber sponsors annually to help the city's economic development efforts. These are the bike fest, the watermelon festival, the chili cook-off challenge, and the barbecue fest, each of which she said brought visitors and money

to the town.

Richardson preempted Rissman's expected question. The county, she volunteered, contributed \$7,500 annually, plus it typically awarded a \$1,500 grant for each of the events.

Another group that earlier made a request to the city for a contribution was the Holistic Plan of Care, a local substance abuse treatment program. This group last month asked for \$10,000 donation.

The council takes all the donation requests into consideration and decides whether and how much to contribute during its budget formulation process, which is already underway.



ECB Publishing, Inc. Photo  
By Ashley Hunter, July 5, 2018

**Shatoria Livingston won four tickets to Wild Adventures after participating in ECB Publishing's Facebook ticket giveaway. These tickets would allow Livingston to bring three others to experience the park and enjoy a free concert by Linkin' Bridge on July 7.**



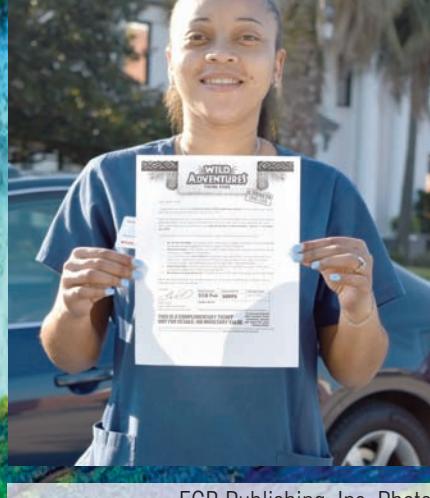
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By Ashley Hunter, July 11, 2018

**Brenda Guerrero was one of the randomly-selected ticket winners to the Wild Adventures theme park from ECB Publishing, Inc. The tickets allowed Guerrero the opportunity to visit the theme park during the La Fiesta weekend celebration.**



ECB Publishing, Inc. Photo  
By Ashley Hunter, July 6, 2018

**Takaya Broxie was randomly selected as a winner of four tickets to the Valdosta-based theme park, Wild Adventures, to watch Linkin' Bridge perform live in the park on July 7.**



ECB Publishing, Inc. Photo  
By Ashley Hunter, July 12, 2018

**Through participating in ECB Publishing's Facebook giveaway, Tondra Williams won four tickets to Wild Adventures during the La Fiesta weekend celebration.**



## WILD ADVENTURES® TICKET WINNERS



ECB Publishing, Inc. Photo  
By Debbie Snapp, July 11, 2018

**Denice Thompson won four tickets to Wild Adventures after sending in a newspaper clipping from the Monticello News.**



ECB Publishing, Inc. Photo  
By Ashley Hunter, July 11, 2018

**One of the Monticello News' winners of a Family Four-Pack admission tickets to Wild Adventures was Jimmy Holland, Jr. The tickets were part of Wild Adventures' "Light Up the Sky In July" fireworks celebration and the July 14-15 La Fiesta.**

## NOTICE FROM THE ELECTIONS OFFICE MARTY BISHOP – SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS

On July 30, 2018, the registration books close for Party changes and new Florida registrations for the Primary Election to be held on August 28, 2018.

Voters that are registered as a NPA or Minor Parties will be limited to what they can vote on.

Florida is a closed Primary State, therefore voters are only allowed to vote for candidates who are registered in the same party they are. In a General Election, it does not make a difference but in a primary it certainly does. After July 30, 2018, the only changes that can be made are name, address, and signature updates. If you would like to verify your party of record just visit [www.jeffersonvotes.com](http://www.jeffersonvotes.com) or call the election office at (850) 997-3348.

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## Girl Scouts seek Women of Distinction nominees

Since the Girl Scouts of the Florida Panhandle Women of Distinction Award program started in 1998 over 100 women have been honored. All nominees will be recognized during the Women of Distinction Awards Gala, on November 8, at Florida State University's Alumni Center.

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Suggested Categories include, but are not limited to: lifetime achievement, challenges experienced, evidence of leadership, impact on the community, special talents or expertise and unique endeavors.

The deadline for nominations is August 31, 2018, 5 p.m.

Nomination forms can be obtained by visiting [www.gscfp.org](http://www.gscfp.org) to complete online or download.

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## Rev. George Arden Stinson Sr.



Rev. George Arden Stinson Sr., age 70, went home to be with his Lord and Savior on Sunday, July 15, 2018. George was born in Arlington, VA to William Bruce and Mary Jane Stinson on November 20, 1947.

He is survived by his wife Linda of 49 years. He is also survived by his son George "Bubba" Stinson (Lisa) of Monticello; his daughters, Sylvia Perez (Roger) of Port Richey, Lisa Starling (Michael) of Monticello, Pam Smith (Jason) of Pittsburg, TX and Tammy Bowling (Floyd) of Monticello; grandchildren, Olivia Perez, Michael Starling Jr. (Selina), Gabriel Starling (Amber), Abigail (Connor) Starling, Shawn Smith, Emily Smith, Anna Belle Glenn (Blake), Caralyn Bowling and one great granddaughter, Carlie Glenn. He is also survived by five brothers, William "Bud" (Mary Francis) of Edenton, NC; Charles "Tommy" (Rachel) of Agusta, ME; John (Sue), of Cary, NC; Mark and Robert of Lyons, CO and two sisters, Janet Goovas of El Mirage, AZ and Rebecca Goodson of Lyons, CO.

George was a proud veteran of the US Navy. He was motor grader operator in Jefferson County for 19 years before moving on to Tallahassee Memorial Hospital where he worked in maintenance. After that he worked in communications before receiving his call to minister. He pastored at the Assembly of God in Madison.

In his spare time he enjoyed woodworking. He loved to make wooden bowls, candlesticks, Christmas ornaments and all kinds of other things on his wooden lathe.

A viewing will be held on Thursday July 19, 2018 from 6 to 8 p.m. at Beggs Funeral Home in Monticello. There will be a graveside service at Evergreen Cemetery in Greenville on Friday, July 20, at 10 a.m. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Big Bend Hospice House.

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### July 16-19

Sweetfield Missionary Baptist Church will continue its Vacation Bible School through Thursday. *Game On* is held nightly at 7 p.m. All ages are invited to learn about "God's Divine Power (2 Peter 1:3)." A light meal is served. For more information contact Sis. Gloria Gallon at (850) 322-5009. Rev. Kassalando Brooks, Sr., pastor.

### July 16-20

New Bethel AME Church and its pastor Rev. Jimmie F. Dickey will continue its Joint Revival Meeting with Pleasant Grove Missionary Baptist Church and its pastor Rev. W.W. Williams through Friday at 7 p.m. nightly. Guest speaker is Rev. Dr. John Manning with the St. Mark Missionary Baptist Church in Valdosta, GA.

### July 16-20

Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church will continue its Vacation Bible School through Friday. *Jesus, The Kingdom Builder* is held from 6 to 8 p.m. for attendees of all ages. Light meals are served nightly. For more information, contact Coordinator Bro. Eric Evans at (850) 694-0905. Rev. Jeffrey T. Graham is church pastor.

### July 18

First Presbyterian Church hosts EaglesWings, an outreach ministry serving the community, on the first and third Wednesday from 9 to 11 a.m. Volunteers are always needed to distribute food items and to donate non-perishable food items. Contact Coordinator JoAnne Arnold at (850) 997-2252 or eagleswingsmonticello@yahoo.com. Rev. R.C. Griffin III, church pastor.

### July 19

Clergy Gathering at 12 p.m. on the third Thursday for lunch, a

presentation and fellowship. Held at Big Bend Hospice in Tallahassee, 1723 Mahan Center Boulevard. For more information contact Candace McKibben at candace@bigbendhospice.org.

### July 21, 22, 23, 26

AA meetings are held at 8 p.m. on Mondays, Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays at Christ Episcopal Church annex, 425 North Cherry Street. For information call (850) 251-0278. Father Jim May, church pastor.

### July 22

Saint Rilla Missionary Baptist Church will celebrate its 50<sup>th</sup> Homecoming "You Can Always Come Home" with guest speaker Rev. Ronnie Johnson and music by the Sweetfield Missionary Baptist Church Choir. Sunday School will begin at 9:30 a.m. and Morning Worship will follow at 11 a.m. Rev. James Mack, pastor. (850) 997-8747

### July 22

Thompson Valley Elizabeth AME Church, 2728 Thompson Valley Road, will hold its Homecoming Celebration at 11 a.m. with a Sunday Morning Worship Service. Sunday School will be held at 10 a.m. Dinner will be served after the 11 a.m. service. Rev. Stefon McBride, pastor.

### July 23

Alzheimer/Dementia Support Group meets from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the fourth Monday at the First United Methodist Church Family Ministry Center. Alzheimer's Project, Inc. is a non-profit organization extending a warm supportive welcome to caregivers. Questions and comments may be relayed to Rural Outreach Manager Stephanie Pollack at (850) 386-2778 or alzheimersproject.org or call the church at (850) 997-5545 for directions. A light lunch is provided.

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# Showing their heart through donated hair

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When Jefferson County's Property Appraiser Angela Gray and her son, Jacob, walked out of Monticello Hairlines on Friday, July 13, they were both a few inches lighter—but this wasn't just a typical haircut.

No, the Grays were going in to cut their hair in order to donate it to the Pantene Beautiful Lengths Program, a program that helps women feel themselves again with real-hair wigs. The program is in partnership with the American Cancer Society in order to make and distribute wigs that have been made by the hair donated to the program. The program makes it possible for

donors to provide a way to help the woman who have lost their hair as a result of illness or cancer treatments.

Angela Gray donated ten inches of her hair, with her son Jacob donating nine inches. This is Gray's sixth time making a donation of her hair, and Jacob's first time.

Gray's daughter, Isabella, is another member of the family who has parted with inches of her hair for a good cause: Isabella was a hair donor during the Relay For Life event held in Monticello back in 2013.

"We hope this inspires others to consider making a contribution that can bring someone some joy," wrote Gray. The Grays' hair was cut and styled by Amy Harrison at Monticello Hairlines.



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**Angela Gray (left) and son, Jacob (right) both hold the inches of hair that they will be donating to the Pantene Beautiful Lengths Program. Angela donated 10 inches, and Jacob donated 9 inches.**

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## July 18

Kiwanis Club meets at 12 p.m. on Wednesdays at the Jefferson Country Club for a program and lunch. For more information contact President Fred Beshears at (850) 997-2516.

## July 18, 21

Jefferson Arts Summer Members Show "Summer Time" on Wednesdays and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Gallery. The show will continue through the summer months of June, July and August. The artwork may be rotated by the artist. For those having questions or concerns contact Susan Rissman at [srissman4766@embarqmail.com](mailto:srissman4766@embarqmail.com).

## July 20

Rotary meets at 12 p.m. on Fridays at the Jefferson Senior Citizens Center for a meeting, program and lunch. For more information contact President Matt Coniglio at (850) 566-0271.

## July 20

Monticello Jamboree Band performs at 7 p.m. on Fridays at 625 South Water Street. Join for dance music, door prizes, soft drinks and snacks. This is a nonprofit charitable event; donations are accepted. For more information contact Darlene Aldrich at (850) 556-5218.

## July 21

HUGHES Community Center meets at the Teen Center, on Tiger Lane, at 4 p.m. every Saturday. All youth and parents are encouraged to attend. For more information contact Coordinator Lamar Hughes at (850) 300-9828 or (850) 300-8587 or go to [hughescsc.org](http://hughescsc.org) or [hughes01lamar@gmail.com](mailto:hughes01lamar@gmail.com). Adult volunteers needed for a one-on-one mentoring and flag football.

## July 21

Eastside Neighborhood Association meets at 11 a.m. on the third Saturday at the Public Library to address observations and to offer recommendations for neighborhood revitalization and overall

enhancement of the 'Roostertown' neighborhood. Your reliable involvement and support is requested. For more information contact [vivian.royster@yahoo.com](mailto:vivian.royster@yahoo.com).

## July 21

Back-2-School Drive 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Saturday at the Sparkman For Sheriff Campaign Office, 290 West Washington Street. Donors may also drop off school supplies and canned food items at The Mays House, 925 East Washington Street.

## July 21

Head on over to the Winn Dixie parking lot from 9 to 11 a.m., as the Margaret Byrd Jones Foundation will be sponsoring a Back To School Supply Giveaway. The event is first-come, first-served. To learn more, visit [mbjf.org](http://mbjf.org).

## July 21

Howard Academy High School Alumni Association will meet at 10 a.m. on the third Saturday at the Public Library. Your support is needed and appreciated. For more information contact [vivian.royster@yahoo.com](mailto:vivian.royster@yahoo.com).

## July 23

Breastfeeding Support Classes at 11 a.m. on Mondays at the Jefferson County Health Department, 1255 West Washington Street. For more information call (850) 342-0170.

## July 23

EOC Amateur Radio Operators net call at 8 p.m. on Mondays on repeater WX4JEF (145.430, minus offset, pl tone 94.8) All are invited to tune in and licensed operators are urged to check in. For text alerts of Club news and events to your smart phone text JEFFARES to 84483. For information contact Andy Rudd at (850) 694-6006 or [arudd@att.net](mailto:arudd@att.net).

## July 23

Jefferson County Lions Club meets at 6:30 p.m. on Monday at the county health department annex. For more information about this service organization and its fundraising efforts, contact Lion June at (850) 997-1754.

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# July 21: Back to School Supply Giveaway

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On Saturday, July 21, head on over to the Winn Dixie parking lot from 9 to 11 a.m., as the Margaret Byrd Jones Foundation will be

sponsoring a Back To School Supply Giveaway for anyone with children in need of school supplies for the coming year.

The event is first-come, first-served. To learn more, visit [mbjf.org](http://mbjf.org).

## “Back 2 School” Party at Tiger Lane

Ashley Hunter, ECB Publishing, Inc.

Jefferson Somerset's Athletic Department and Administration will be presenting a “Back 2 School” party on Saturday, August 11 from 2 to 7 p.m.

The party will be held at the Jefferson Somerset Athletic Field, located at 555 Tiger Lane.

Food, vendors, bounce houses, a live DJ and a giveaway of school supplies will be a part of this fun party!

There will be a \$5 gate fee for entrance.

If you are a vendor and would like to set up for this event, Jefferson Somerset requests you RSVP at (850) 242-1702.

## “Back 2 School” supply drive

*School supplies and food items welcomed*

Ashley Hunter  
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The community is invited to help pitch in and bring backpacks, calculators, crayons, disinfectant wipes, erasers, glue sticks, hand sanitizer, highlighters, kleenex, markers, notebooks, notebook paper, pencils, pens, and all other school supplies to the “Back 2 School” supply drive on Saturday, July 21.

The drive will begin at 9 p.m. and continue to noon.

Along with school supplies, the drive will be accepting non-perishable food items for the families and children who will be returning to school and furthering their education this August.

Drop off locations for the items will be: 290 W. Washington St., Monticello and The Mays House, located at 925 E. Washington St.

## Community Partnership Night at Jefferson Somerset



ECB Publishing, Inc. Photo By Ashley Hunter, July 12, 2018  
Vice Principal Andre Gainey held the discussion on Thursday, July 12 for the Community Partnership Night at Jefferson Somerset.

Ashley Hunter, ECB Publishing, Inc.

Parents, guardians, members of the community and those with a deep interest in the education of Jefferson's students were invited to a

Community Partnership Night on

Thursday, July 12 at the Jefferson Somerset Cafeteria.

The night was orchestrated by Vice Principal Andre Gainey, and was a gathering that would allow interested individuals an opportunity

to voice questions, concerns and

learn about how they could become

more involved in the education of the

community's youth,

Gainey made note of some of the

academic highlights of the past

school year, such as the increases in

the schools' grades, the creation of a

Gifted Program within the school, the

military signing of a dozen senior

students from the school, and the

birth of the 'Impact Team', a group

that consists of various behavioral

and mental specialists who help students pinpoint behavioral triggers and help them work through their trials rather than sending them directly to the principal's office for negative behaviors.

Gainey also worked with the

audience to answer their questions

pertaining to different facets of the

school, such as transportation, PTA,

cafeteria rules, security, fundraising,

after-school activities, sports and

dress code.

Gainey also invited the audience

to look into taking part in the

Educational Excellence School

Advisory Council (EESAC) and

Parent-Teacher Association (PTA), as

both groups had minimal enrollment

and Jefferson Somerset is looking to

grow both groups.

Weren't able to make the meeting

and you have questions or concerns

of your own? Call the school at

(850) 997-3555 and ask for Vice

Principal Andre Gainey.

## Backpack Drive for Jefferson Students

Ashley Hunter  
ECB Publishing, Inc.

“We need your help,” writes Jefferson Somerset.



The school is hosting a Backpack drive with the goal of ensuring that all students who are attending Jefferson Somerset's High, Middle or Elementary School this fall are able to return to school with backpacks and school supplies. Is your church group, civic organization or community group looking for a service project that will benefit the children of Jefferson County?

This might be the perfect opportunity for your group to make a difference in the education of the students in the county.

The school is hoping to have these items for their students before the “Back 2 School” Party on August 11, as they will be giving away supplies to students during the party.

For more information, contact Nancy Whitty at (850) 342-0840 or [nwhitty@somersetjefferson.org](mailto:nwhitty@somersetjefferson.org), or Nicky Seaton at (850) 342-0534 or [nseaton@somersetjefferson.org](mailto:nseaton@somersetjefferson.org).

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# Great dads to inspire great students

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Watch D.O.G.S (which stands for Dads of Great Students) is a national school-based, family and community engagement organization that focuses on bringing fathers and male role models into the school systems around the country.

For many children and students, mothers and women are the educational role models they look up to, and Watch D.O.G.S, while acknowledging the powerful women and mothers who have impacted children and students, have decided that it is time for men and fathers to take part in their children's education.

"Just because we are working doesn't mean we can't give an hour or two each day," said Jefferson Somerset's Vice-Principal Andre Gainey, who directed the first meeting of the Jefferson Somerset Watch D.O.G.S on Tuesday, July 10.

The program began with a news clip from the Today Show which spoke about the Watch D.O.G.S program, and provided information about the program on a national level.

"We want the presence of male role models in the school," said Gainey.

The presence of fathers and male role models in the school will help students feel more confident, bond with their fathers and role models, and will help provide a sense of security on campus.

Gainey also shared that when parents have an active role in their children's education and have built a level of connection and trust with their children's teachers, it allows the educators to feel more at ease when communicating with the parent on activities and situations within the classroom.

The Watch D.O.G.S program also helps fathers by helping equip them with the insight and

## Financial Focus...

### Help Protect Vulnerable Family Members from Scam Artists

If you have older family members whose cognitive functions or decision-making abilities have declined, or who are lonely or recently widowed, you might need to help protect them against financial scams. What steps should you take?

First of all, try to gain a good sense of their overall financial activity. Look for red flags, such as a reluctance to discuss money matters, consistently unpaid bills, unexplained withdrawals, mysterious wire transfers or a sudden need to purchase large quantities of gift cards. And watch out for new "best friends" or caretakers who show an unusual interest in your loved one's finances.

Whether or not you've observed any of these activities, you can help your elderly family members by making these moves:

**Have checks (such as Social Security payments) directly deposited.** You can help your family members avoid a lot of potential trouble by having their checks deposited directly into their bank accounts.

**Seek permission to become a joint account owner.** By becoming a joint account owner on your elderly family members' checking and savings accounts, you can review statements for suspicious activity. Of course, your loved ones may be initially reluctant to add your name, but if you have a good relationship with them, you should be able to explain the benefits.

**Shred bank statements, credit card offers and notices of lottery or sweepstakes winnings.** One of the most useful gifts you can give to your elderly family members may be a shredder. Encourage them to use it to shred old bank statements, credit card offers and other financial documents.

**Get on a "do not call" list.** Telephone scammers are persistent and devious. By registering your family members' house and cell phones at [www.donotcall.gov](http://www.donotcall.gov), you may be able to reduce their exposure to unwanted calls.

**Obtain power of attorney.** By creating a power of attorney, your loved ones can designate you or another trusted relative or friend to assist with their finances now—for day-to-day assistance and protection from scammers—and later, should they become incapacitated. Again, you will need to employ some sensitivity when discussing this issue.

**Check references of caretakers.** As mentioned above, some caretakers are, unfortunately, dishonest. Before you hire one, check out this person's references. And even when you do, be careful—scam artists have been known to use accomplices as references, so you will need to be thorough in your research and questions.

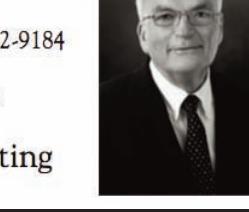
**Get to know your family members' financial advisors.** If possible, become acquainted with your older family members' financial advisors. Any reputable advisor will welcome a connection with their clients' loved ones. And if you are involved in any estate plans, this multi-generational relationship will prove beneficial for everyone.

**Ask to meet any new "friends" they have met online.** When someone is lonely, they become vulnerable to online friendships. Sometimes, these new friends make promises of meeting, but never show—and then they suddenly need money for one reason or another.

It can be challenging to guard against all threats posed by the scammers of the world. But by staying alert and taking the appropriate preventive actions, you may be able to help safeguard your loved ones' financial security.

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**Great change sometimes starts small, but it was no meager turn out for the first meeting of the Watch D.O.G.S program at Jefferson Somerset on Tuesday, July 10. These fathers will be a new step into providing school security, student improvement and classroom aid on campus and at home for their children and those who educate their children.**

knowledge that they can bring home and use when assisting with homework or instructing their child on school-related problems.

"There's no excuse not to be involved," said Gainey.

The program will have a School Representative from within Jefferson Somerset, a Top Dog Coordinator from amongst the participants in the program, and the whole group will serve as the recruitment panel to bring more fathers, grandfathers, step-fathers and mentors into the program.

The functions of the men who take part in the Watch D.O.G.S program will be assisting with the bus, walking the grounds and halls on campus, assisting teachers in the classroom, eating lunch with the kids, and engaging with the kids during recess.

"Fifty percent of kids don't see a dad at night," said Gainey, adding that many children are taking their role models from television and other media sources where the role models provided might not be positive sources of encouragement. "We know it's going to take more. We've got to show them some different role models."

The next Watch D.O.G.S meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 8 at the school, from 5-6:30 p.m.

Men interested in serving on the program are invited to attend. Men of all ages, walks of life, and stages of fatherhood are welcomed; whether a father, step-father, grandfather or the mentor in a student's life, the Watch D.O.G.S program is an opportunity for men to take a stance and start



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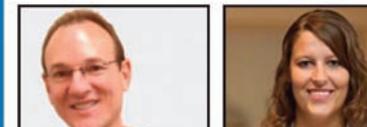
**Jefferson Somerset's Vice-Principal Andre Gainey spoke about the Watch D.O.G.S program to the fathers gathered for the first meeting of the group on Tuesday, July 10.**

changing the lives of the youth in our county and schools.

To learn more about the Watch D.O.G.S program, visit [dadsofgreatstudents.com](http://dadsofgreatstudents.com).

## Great Fathering tips from Watch D.O.G.S.:

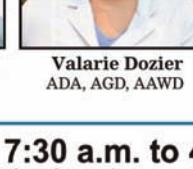
- 1: Great Dads listen to their students.
- 2: Great Dads are good encouragers.
- 3: Great Dads honor moms.
- 4: Great Dads help kids overcome their fears.
- 5: Great Dads don't quit.
- 6: Great Dads know how to stay cool.
- 7: Great Dads affirm their children.
- 8: Great Dads know their children's teacher.
- 9: Great Dads read with their children.
- 10: Great Dads model good behavior.



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# It's time to enroll your Kindergarten student!



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**Jefferson Somerset's enrollment period for Kindergarten students opened on Monday, July 9. The school asks that all Kindergarten students be five years of age by Sept. 1, and parents will need to provide a birth certificate, social security card, current physical and current immunization needs for their child upon enrollment.**

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Jefferson Somerset would like to welcome all new and potential incoming Tigers!

The first year of the partnership between Jefferson County Schools and Somerset Academy, Inc. has already produced new safety initiatives, increased attendance and retention, and better grade ratings for each school level.

The State of Florida announced the 2018 grades, and Jefferson Somerset's Elementary is C Rated, Jefferson Somerset's Middle is C Rated and Jefferson Somerset's High is B Rated.

All three are improvements over previous years with signs of even more improvements to come. Now is the time to get on board and enroll your student!

July is the month for

Kindergarten Roundup at Somerset Jefferson. Students MUST be 5 years of age by Sept. 1 to enroll.

Kindergarten Registration will begin on July 9, from Monday through Thursday, 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

For more information contact Mrs. Nicky Seaton at (850) 342-0534 or [nseaton@somersetjefferson.org](mailto:nseaton@somersetjefferson.org) anytime between Monday and Thursday, from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

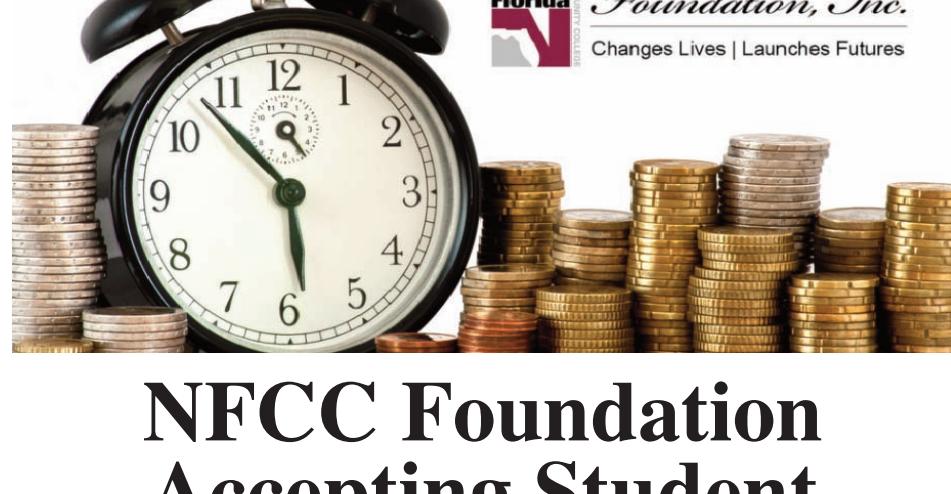
The school would like you to be prepared and able to provide the following documents for each child being enrolled:

- birth certificate
- social security card
- current physical
- and current immunization records.

Interested parents and guardians can see the full announcement flyer on the school's website at this web address: [ow.ly/UMex30kQJ6p](http://ow.ly/UMex30kQJ6p).

## Fall Term 2018 SCHOLARSHIPS

**Deadline to Apply is Aug. 1**



## NFCC Foundation Accepting Student Scholarship Applications Through August 1

**Apply for a Fall Term 2018 Scholarship at NFCC**

The North Florida Community College Foundation is now accepting scholarship applications for students planning to enroll in Fall Term 2018 classes at NFCC. The College awards a variety of individual and organizational scholarships each term to eligible students as supplemental funds to help cover the cost of tuition, books and fees.

To get started and help determine eligibility, all NFCC scholarship applicants are required to fill out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, available online at [fafsa.ed.gov](http://fafsa.ed.gov), and an NFCC Scholarship Application. Restrictions and requirements vary with each scholarship; basic eligibility for funds is a minimum 2.0 GPA.

For more information, visit the NFCC Foundation Office (NFCC campus, Bldg. 36), call (850) 973-9423 or email [Foundation@nfcc.edu](mailto:Foundation@nfcc.edu). Applications and more information are also available online at [www.nfcc.edu/foundation-giving/scholarships](http://www.nfcc.edu/foundation-giving/scholarships).

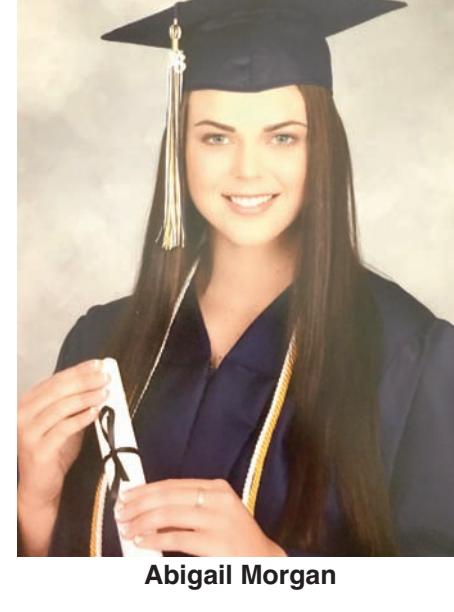
The NFCC Foundation is a separate not-for-profit, IRS approved 501(c)(3) corporation chartered to provide financially for the educational needs of NFCC programs and students from Hamilton, Jefferson, Lafayette, Madison, Suwannee and Taylor counties that cannot be met through state aid or student tuition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

# Abigail Morgan ... More than an athlete

Rick Patrick, ECB Publishing, Inc.

It doesn't take much time into a conversation with recent Aucilla Christian Academy (ACA) graduate Abigail Morgan to realize she is much more than the typical high school student athlete. The three-sport star athlete for the Lady Warriors was recently named the All-Big Bend Softball Player of the Year by the Tallahassee Democrat for the second time. Morgan helped lead the Lady Warriors to the state championship softball game this year and to a Final Four appearance in basketball.

But Morgan's accomplishments on the field and on the court are only a part of what has made and continues to make her career so remarkable. In addition to her athletic achievements, Morgan has been involved in the Fellowship of Christian Athletes while a student at ACA. Morgan recently returned home from a mission trip to the Houston area in Texas, where she and a group of fellow students worked tirelessly helping to repair one of the many houses damaged during last year's Hurricane Harvey. In spite of the hot, hard work, Morgan speaks of how enjoyable the experience was with a smile that can be heard through the telephone lines. "We had a great time," said Morgan. "It was a lot of hard work. We were mostly



Abigail Morgan

hanging dry wall in a house that was damaged by the hurricane. It was kinda neat because the family was living upstairs in the house while we worked downstairs. That gave us a chance to visit with them [the house owners] while we worked on the house. It was fun to make those new friends."

Morgan will be taking her softball skills to Boca Raton next year to play softball on a scholarship at Florida Atlantic University. There, she plans to pursue a degree in Political Science and possibly go on to law school after that. No matter what she does in the long term, Morgan's future will certainly be as bright as she wants it to be.

She is the daughter of Mitchell and Susan Morgan, of Monticello.

## New CDL-Class A certification training class Sept. 13 starting at North Florida Community College

**Attend Required Orientation Session July 25, Aug. 1, Aug. 15 or Aug. 29**

North Florida Community College and CareerSource North Florida are working together to get potential students ready to begin NFCC's Commercial Driver's License (CDL-Class A) certification program on Sept. 13 and on track to a new career in the trucking industry.

To be considered for the program, potential students must be at least 18 years old and must attend an orientation session at NFCC to determine program and scholarship eligibility. Students who complete admission requirements and successfully enroll in the program may be eligible to have their tuition fully funded by CareerSource North Florida.

Training focuses on the driving and technical skills needed to pass the CDL-Class A exam. This

three-part exam includes a pre-trip inspection, driving maneuvers, and a road test.

Students receive classroom instruction as well as driving

time and instruction on the

College's certified driving

range, city streets, rural

roads, and the interstate.

Students will practice

driving during both day and

night time frames. Classes

are held at NFCC, Monday

through Thursday, from 8

a.m. to 4 p.m., with hours

varying to compensate for

night driving requirements.

Potential students are required to attend a one-hour NFCC CDL-Class A orientation session.

Orientation sessions will be held at the NFCC Career and Technical Education

Center (Bldg. 13, RM 221) in Madison on the following dates.

**Wednesday, July 25, 9-10 a.m.**

**Wednesday, Aug. 1, 3-4 p.m.**

**Wednesday, Aug. 15, 9-10 a.m.**

**Wednesday, Aug. 29, 9-10 a.m.**

**Wednesday, Aug. 29, 3-4 p.m.**

More information and an orientation registration form are available online at [nfcc.edu/academics/career-and-technical/cdl-class-a-training/index](http://nfcc.edu/academics/career-and-technical/cdl-class-a-training/index) or by contacting the NFCC Career and Technical Education Center at (850) 973-9470 or by email at [zimmerlyc@nfcc.edu](mailto:zimmerlyc@nfcc.edu).

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Sunday Evening.....6:00 PM  
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Sunday Worship Service.....11:00 AM  
Worship Service.....6:00 PM  
Wednesday  
Choir Practice.....6:00 PM  
Fellowship Meal.....6:45 PM  
Prayer Meeting/Bible Study.....7:10 PM

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Wednesday  
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Morning Worship.....10:45 AM  
Student Life Group.....4:30 PM  
**Tuesday Evening**  
Mens & Ladies Bible Study 6:00 PM  
**Saturday**  
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Email: [secretary@ebcmonticello.com](mailto:secretary@ebcmonticello.com)  
website: [www.ebcmonticello.com](http://www.ebcmonticello.com)**Pastor, Robert Dennison**Sunday Bible Study.....9:45 AM  
Morning Worship Service.....11:00 AM  
Choir Practice.....5:00 PM  
Evening Worship Service.....6:00 PM  
**WEDNESDAY**Bible Study/Prayer Meeting.....6:00 PM  
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Sunday Evening Worship.....6:00 PM  
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Wednesday Bible Study.....6:30 PM  
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Church/Family Supper (Sept-May) Wednesdays 5:00 PM  
Women's Prayer Group, third Monday.....6:30 PM  
Community LLL Meeting, fourth Tuesday.....10:00 AM  
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(850) 545-2039  
[sonnyjohnjr@aol.com](mailto:sonnyjohnjr@aol.com)**Pastor John Jones**Sabbath Morning Worship.....11:00 AM  
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[www.monticelloFUMC.org](http://www.monticelloFUMC.org)[jandkhicks@aol.com](mailto:jandkhicks@aol.com)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  
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Sunday Worship.....11:00 AM

Adult Bible Study-Wednesday.....6:30-7:30 PM

Men's Breakfast.....2nd Saturday 8:00 AM

**From the Pulpit...**  
**Dealing with cancer**

Cancer. If you don't have it, you know someone who does. Let me suggest that while

**Pastor John Hicks**

First United Methodist Church

cancer might invade the body, it doesn't have to invade the soul. Let me also suggest that our greatest enemy isn't the disease, but despair. I've found that mental attitude can make all the difference in the world in dealing with cancer. Accepting the battles that we must go through and learning to adapt makes the course much easier.

In this life, I have learned there are times I look for answers and sometimes answers are hard to find. Sometimes I can't find them at all. Yet, in the midst of this, there are hopes and promises given to us in God's word.

Someone once described cancer as a hideous monster seeking to rob us of what we love. There's truth in that, but cancer is not all powerful. There are things that cancer can't do. For instance, cancer can't

separate us from God's presence. Nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus.

Looking at the bigger picture, we can see there are more things cancer can't do. Cancer can't shatter hope. It can't corrode faith. It can't destroy peace. It cannot kill friendships or the love of family and friends. It can't suppress memories.

Cancer can take away our earthly life, but it can't steal eternal life from us. We're surrounded by cancer and cancer infiltrates our life, but cancer is not the victor, God is.

Do you know someone with cancer? Share the good news: cancer is not the end all. Are you inflicted with cancer yourself? Grab hold of the message that embraces faith and hugs hope. We have a God who hears and answers prayers.

For those with cancer or dealing with someone with cancer, you'll need every ounce of strength that you can muster to deal with what you're going to be going through. Don't think you have to go it alone. You'll need encouragement. Family

and friends are some of the tools God uses to accomplish this. Don't feel you have to protect us. You bless us when you can share a tear or fear with us.

Take each day one day at a time, sometimes each hour an hour at a time. Live each one fully as if it's your last (good advice for all of us!).

Know that God will walk through the day with you holding your hand, catching your tears and giving you comfort. Your body can be severely afflicted and you may have a great struggle, but if you trust in God's love, your spirit will remain strong. With His help, we can make it through all things that we encounter in this journey called life, even cancer.

One of my wife's favorite "make it through" verses is, "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."

Ultimately, when we are in Him, we'll go to be with Him when our time comes, whenever that time might be. Having said this, I keep my focus on God and the hope He holds out to all of us. I still pray for healing!

Let me know if I can include you in my prayers.

**Methodist Church gets new Youth Ministries Director****Debbie Snapp***ECB Publishing, Inc*

Josh Hawkins is the new Director of Youth Ministries at First United Methodist Church in Monticello.

You may have met him already, as he and his young family have been in attendance to several area events and fundraisers already; introducing themselves to the public and making new friends all around town.

Josh has been speaking during the Wednesday evening services, and preaching at other praise and worship services, when called upon. He's been doing a pretty good job at reaching people, according to church parishioners. He is said to have great leadership skills and is loved by the church youth.

Josh is excited about working with youth from the area schools as well. He's starting up an outreach ministry called "5th Quarter", a time of fun, food, fellowship, sharing and learning more about God's goodness after home games. To learn more about this ministry, contact Josh at [joshhawkins1994@gmail.com](mailto:joshhawkins1994@gmail.com).

Josh and his wife, Liz, are parents to a young daughter, Sophia, and are expecting another child soon.



Photo Submitted

**Josh Hawkins is the new Director of Youth Ministries at First United Methodist Church.**

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Wed. Bible Study.....7:00 PM

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Sunday Bible Study.....10:00 AM

Sunday Worship.....11:00 AM

Sunday Evening.....6:00 PM

Wednesday

Bible &amp; Prayer Meeting.....7:00 PM

**Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old, he will not depart from it.**  
*Proverbs 22:6, KJV*

# Quieres jugar? (Wanna play?)



## Porch de Salomon (Panajachel, Guatemala)

Photos Submitted

New Providence PC (TN) team members worked it and played it hard!

Photo Submitted

Porch de Salomon was pleased and humbled to complete and dedicate our fourth house of 2018 in chilly Xaxajac. Juana Sicajau and Mario's family life will never be the same; comparing their squalid living conditions to their neat, new house was quite the juxtaposition. They received the house free/gratis, but with a charge to live and love as generously as they can. We are thankful to our indigenous builders, our spring teams, our staff, and mission partners who put it all together: desire, labor, money, and more. Adelante juntos!

... play skillfully, and shout for joy. (Psalm 33:3)

Amy McGibany's comments, below, inspired our June PorchTalk newsletter's theme. While it's a cliché, our Porch short-term teams work hard, but play hard as well!

In our faith journeys, some hear God inviting us to "get in the game" and truly follow the Way of Jesus of Nazareth, and not just spectate or relegate that to Sundays. Likewise, Porch de Salomon always invites folks to partner with us and not just watch our work.

Two June short-term team members commented as follows:

**Amy McGibany:** What really hit home for our girls was the connections they made with the indigenous people using a simple soccer ball. "Futbol" is a common link of simple fun across cultures. Even playing a small game in a narrow, sandy back alley next to the home-building site —kids just want to play. Here in America, we spend a lot of money playing the game...uniforms, travel, coaching, etc. In Panajachel, it just takes a ball and a willingness to ask, "Quieres jugar?" It reminded us that we are not that different.

**Hunter Heuchan:** We were so touched by the people we met and grateful that we have made some incredible new friends. It is an undeniable gift to feel like you have impacted a person's life in a positive way, to see that impact firsthand and to feel their love and gratitude through words, tears and hugs.

Porch de Salomon is thankful for our Jefferson County mission partners. Please contact me at (850) 688-2076 or [dlloydmonroe@gmail.com](mailto:dlloydmonroe@gmail.com) if you'd like to get involved. Our matching donation opportunity (up to a total of \$20,000, from a Texas partner family) continues through July 31.

Please check out our most recent newsletters at: [porchdesalomon.org/newsletters](http://porchdesalomon.org/newsletters).

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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.

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**Pastor Eddie and Elder Veronica Yon**

Get Moving Womens Fitness & Fellowship, Monday.....6:00 PM

Sunday Church Service.....10:00 AM

Tuesday Night Taebbo.....6:00 PM

Thursday Church Service.....7:00 PM

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Worship Service .....9:30 AM

Sunday School To Follow

Tuesday Bible Study.....6:30 PM

Wednesday Evening Activities.....6:30 PM

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Deadline for  
Wednesday's Paper  
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