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2-year-old drowns Father arrested

Story Submitted

On Tuesday, August 7, at about 5:30 p.m., Jefferson County Sheriff's Deputies were dispatched to an address in the Boston Hwy area in reference to the drowning of a two-year-old child.

Upon their arrival, the deputies found the father, Isaac White, and his brother-in-law performing CPR on a small child next to a swimming pool.

The deputies took over CPR until Jefferson County Fire



Isaac White

Rescue (JCFR) arrived.

Once on scene, JCFR evaluated the patient and the child was pronounced deceased.

During the subsequent investigation, law enforcement learned that around 3:15 p.m., the father was tasked with the child's wellbeing while the

mother went to Tallahassee.

The father admitted to investigators that he was aware that the child had walked out of the back door of the residence and waited several minutes before checking on the child.

When the father couldn't locate the child while searching around the residence, he walked the perimeter of the property to try to locate the child.

When the father was unable to locate the child, he contacted the mother and told her their

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ELECT David Frank for Circuit Judge Group 12



When it comes to circuit judge candidates, know what to ask.

I've heard a lot during this campaign about passion for justice and the importance of being fair to all. I'm sure you're thinking these are things all judge candidates say. Certainly, we would all be worried if a candidate for judge did not say these things. But how do you as a voter really know if such statements are campaign sound bites or a true reflection of the candidate's moral fabric?

One way is to ask three questions.

First, does the candidate have meaningful life experience? I served as a U.S. Army officer overseas and saw what life looks like in countries that did not have an independent, fair, or efficient judiciary. When you see how people suffer in such a setting, it gives you a true passion for our justice system.

Second, does the candidate have the support of diverse sectors of our community? I have been endorsed by every elected sheriff in our circuit, police, firefighters, state/local/municipal employees, teachers, retirees, civil rights leaders, past presidents of the Florida Association of Women Lawyers, the former long-time public defender for our circuit, and many accomplished attorneys who practice criminal law, business law, constitutional law, estate and guardianship law, personal injury law, family law, and more.

Third, has the candidate served our community? I have served as the chair of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Foundation of Florida and have worked on its many charitable and civic initiatives for almost ten years. I'm a Legal Services of North Florida Founder of Justice. I also have worked on numerous programs that support veterans, including the American Legion Post 13 and the Fallen Heroes Fund.

I urge you to ask these three questions of each candidate. I'm proud of my answers and I'm asking for your vote on August 28th.

Political advertisement paid for and approved by David Frank, non-partisan candidate for 2nd Judicial Circuit Judge, Group 12

Early voting has started

Early voting for the primary election started on Monday, Aug. 13, and will continue through Saturday, Aug. 25. Early voting hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. daily at the elections office, 380 W. Dogwood Street.



Guilty : Man gets nine years in prison

Lazaro Aleman, ECB Publishing, Inc.

A 43-year-old county man was sentenced recently to prison for violation of probation and attempted robbery.

On Monday, July 23, Circuit Judge Dawn Caloca-Johnson sentenced Levinston Eugene Grier to nine years with the Department of Corrections (DOC). Grier pled no contest to violation of probation on a felony battery case dating from July 2016. He also pled no contest to a charge of attempted robbery with a deadly weapon on a case dating from October 2017.

The judge adjudicated Grier guilty on the two cases, revoked and terminated the probation on the battery case, and credited him with 282 days served in the county jail.



Levinston Eugene Grier

Assistant Public Defender Davis Revell represented Grier. Assistant State Attorney Andrew Deneen prosecuted the case.

Grier was first arrested in July 2016, based on a domestic incident where he threw beer on his girlfriend and her son punched him in retaliation. At which point, Grier grabbed a knife and stabbed the girlfriend's son in the right forearm. Grier was charged with aggravated battery with a deadly weapon, pled to felony battery and was placed on probation.

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Sheriff : One Candidate is a Forum : no show

Lazaro Aleman
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One of the two individuals vying for the Democratic nomination in the Jefferson County Sheriff's race was a no show at the Chamber of Commerce-sponsored Candidates' Forums on Thursday evening, Aug. 9, making for a one-sided presentation.

Eugene Butler Jr. never showed up, leaving Capt. William "Bill" Massey, formerly of the Jefferson Countys Sheriff Department, alone to face the



Eugene Butler Jr.

questions from the panel of David Ward and Jay Adams. Ron Cichon moderated.

In his opening remarks, Massey

touched on his county roots, his family, attendance at local schools and military service. He also touched on his 31 years of law-enforcement experience with the Jefferson County



William "Bill" Massey

Sheriff's Office (JCSO), serving at various levels.

"My mission is to give the citizens more service and less politics,"

Massey said, adding that he was seeking the office from a strong commitment to service, not for fame, notoriety, political aims or self gratification.

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Watch : Bridge Inspections Out : Aug. 15 and 16

Ashley Hunter
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The Florida Department of Transportation advises that a stretch of U.S. 19 that passes over the CSX railroad in Drifton will have alternating lane restrictions from 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. on Wednesday, August 15 as crews perform routine bridge inspections on the roadway.

The following day, on Thursday, August 16, State Road 20, over the Aucilla River, will have alternating north and southbound lane restrictions about half a mile south of Lamont. The lane restrictions will last from 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. as crews perform a routine bridge inspection.

All planned construction activities are weather dependent

and may be delayed or rescheduled in the event of inclement weather. Motorists are reminded to pay attention to the speed limit when traveling through the construction area, to watch for construction equipment entering and leaving the roadway, and to use caution when driving through the work zone.

Speeding fines are doubled when workers are present.



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Did you know?
If you could drive to the sun at a speed of 88.5 km/h (55 mph/h) it would take around 193 years

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Letters To The Editor

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From International Development Churches EPC to the Jefferson County Community

It is an honor to be a part of the Jefferson County community on a greater scale. As an outreach ministry, we understand and can relate to the common life stressors that make it challenging to live out one's true purpose.

So, to all of you, from our heart to yours, we share our story, our history, and our plan on how we are committed to helping you.

Our church's beginning starts with our Bishop, Dr. Lorenza Rutledge. As a grandson of a field worker, Bishop Rutledge left school in order to provide for his family at the age of twelve. He later went on to re-enroll in school and taught himself how to read in the tenth grade. At the age of 17, he met his wife, graduated from high school, and became a junior minister in Gainesville, Florida. In May of this year, he received his doctoral degree from Destiny Bible College.

Bishop Rutledge was commissioned to begin International Development Churches, EPC after 17 years of full-time ministry work. In 2006, just four years after our beginning, we implemented our outreach efforts here in Monticello. We began to work in the county, providing food, clothing, and various resources that people needed at no cost. We have fed hundreds of people across Monticello without government assistance. Our goal here is only to complete the vision GOD gave us to assist and help people.

In 2015, Pastor Leona Ross was assigned to come to ensure a consistent presence. She has partnered with the local teen center, offering monthly services and need based assistance to the community.

We have made a proposal to the school board to purchase the old Howard Middle School. We are interested in the facility for the various purposes:

1. To commission an entire building to preserve the history of Monticello and the contributions of the Howard Academy Alumnae – it is important for us to enhance the legacy so many families have built here. It is important for us to express that we would never erase, misrepresent, or mishandle. We merely are interested in furthering our community service efforts in the spirit of the foundation that has been laid before us.

2. We would offer comprehensive services in the form of food banks, disaster relief items, job placement opportunities, and training. The facility would host other vital programs relating to computer accessibility, tutoring, and utility referral services.

3. We also desire a permanent location to implement our staple programs:
a. Every Gift, Every Child, Home for the Holidays, Back to School Bash, and an on-site City of Refuge agricultural training center.

These events/programs are free of charge thanks to our corporate partners and sponsorships. We wanted to write this letter, because we felt it was important to share and inform the Jefferson County Community of our plans. We humbly ask for the opportunity to expand our services and fellowship with you. We are a compassionate people simply interested in providing resources to help build and assist the community. Jefferson County matters.

In the spirit of Humbleness,
The International Development Church EPC Family



Simplified Tablets Designed for Tech-Challenged Sen-

**“Dear Savvy Senior,
I’m interested in getting my 78-year-old mother a tablet for video calls and email but want to get one that’s super simple to use. What can you recommend?”
—Shopping Around**

Dear Shopping,

There are several different ways you can go about getting your mom a simplified tablet that's easy for her to use. Depending on how much help she needs and how much you're willing to spend, here are some different options to consider.

Simplify a Tablet

If you or your mom already has a tablet, but it's too difficult for her to use, you can install a free senior-friendly software application on it like Oscar Senior, which works on Apple iPads and Android tablets.

This app will change the appearance and performance of your tablet into a simplified device with big understandable icons to only commonly used features (video calls, photos, instant messages, Internet, news, weather, reminders, contacts, etc.) for easy navigation, with no clutter. It even offers remote access capabilities so you can gain access to your mom's tablet from your smartphone, so you can see what she sees, and help her if she gets stuck.

No Tech Skills

If your mother is completely unfamiliar with technology, two simpler options are the grandPad and Claris Companion.

GrandPad is a 7-inch touchscreen

Android tablet that is designed for seniors, ages 75 and older. It comes with a stylus, charging stand and Verizon 4G LTE built-in so it works anywhere within the Verizon network - home Wi-Fi is not necessary.

This tablet provides a simplified menu of big colorful icons and large text, to only essential features, giving your mom clutter-free, one-touch access, but, to simplify usage and avoid confusion, it does not offer Web browsing.

GrandPad also has a “Help” button that offers 24/7 phone/tablet remote assistance to help your mom with any facet of her tablet, and it provides damage and theft insurance so if your mom breaks or loses her tablet it will be replaced at no additional cost. Available at grandPad.net or call 800-704-9412, a grandPad leases for \$60 per month, or \$53/month if you pay one year in advance.

Another good option to check out is the Claris Companion, which offers Wi-Fi and 4G tablets that costs \$549 and \$649 respectively, plus a \$29 and \$49 monthly subscription fee.

These tablets are designed specifically for elderly seniors living at home so their family can connect with them socially via video calls, email, text messages and photos. It also gives caregivers the ability to receive alerts and monitor compliance with medications, treatments, and important appointments.

Send your senior questions to: Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443, Norman, OK 73070, or visit SavvySenior.org. Jim Miller is a contributor to the NBC Today show and author of *The Savvy Senior*.

Christian Concepts Enemies, Friends and Fake News

President Trump purportedly called the press the “enemy of the people.”



Gary B. King
Guest Columnist

Recently Jim Acosta a reporter with CNN suggested in a Whitehouse press meeting that presidential press secretary Sarah Sanders set the record straight by saying those in the press “are not the enemy of the people.” When he got an answer he did not like, he walked out in protest.

The takeaway in that incident for me is there are those within the national news media who are as thin-skinned and narcissistic as Trump. If they cannot manipulate the answer they want to hear then they pout-out. Am I supposed to think such a person will be objective in his reporting?

A working definition of a friend or enemy is; a friend is someone I can trust to tell the truth and an enemy is someone I cannot trust to do the same. I think there is more to being a friend or enemy than this definition describes, but the element of truthfulness and subsequent trustworthiness is certainly an element of friendship and lacking in an enemy.

I expect a friend to not “bear false witness,” (Exodus 20:16), nor to exaggerate or slant the truth to the point that what is said is no longer the truth, but “fake news.” President Trump claims to have coined the term “fake news” but according to other sources that may be fake news itself. Who originated the term is not important to

me; the fact that it exists and is practiced is a concern.

Tweeting on an interview of LeBron James by Don Lemon, Trump said, “Lebron James was just interviewed by the dumbest man on television, Don Lemon. He made Lebron look smart which isn't easy to do.”

James and Lemon are black prompting retired CBS anchorman Dan Rather to tweet that what Trump said was a “disgrace. It's racist.” I would agree that our president tweets some disgraceful things, but racist?

I don't think a twitter spat between ego-laden celebrities, even if one of them is the president, is real news, and then to call the president racist when he did not say anything racist in his tweet is an example of fake news. Trump may harbor some racist prejudice in his heart, but I cannot see inside his heart and neither can Dan Rather.

But our president is something just as bad as a racist; he's a narcissist. He will attack anyone simply because they disagree with him; it has nothing to do with the color of one's skin or ethnicity.

I know we still have race issues in this nation, but making something a race issue that isn't one does not help anyone and is racist itself. I pray the day will come in this nation that we all realize there is only one race, the human race; we are all in this together.

Until then journalists like Rather should not slant the truth and needlessly inflame prejudices to win some popularity points. Only an enemy does that.



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Thank You from the Public Library

The Jefferson County R.J. Bailar Public Library would like to extend our gratitude to all the community leaders, businesses and organizations that helped make our summer reading program possible, including:

The Jefferson County Board of County Commissioners, for their leadership and faithful support of the library and the annual summer reading program.

The Friends of the Jefferson County R.J. Bailar Public Library, whose generous support and advocacy is essential to library programs. The Friends of the Library volunteered their time, talents and money to make our theme of “Libraries Rock” come alive, funding training for our staff, food and decorations for events and equipment and prizes for the children.

The City of Monticello and the Monticello Police Department.

The local vendors and volunteers who provided entertainment, education, food, and gifts for the children and their families: Tampa Taiko Japanese Drums, the Florida Archaeology Network, Wizzle's New Beat, the African-Caribbean Dance Theatre, children's author Faith Harkey, Animal Tales, comedian Ron Anglin, Burger King, Carrie Ann & Company, Jump 'n' Fun Rentals, hot dog cook Marty Andrews and DJ George Pittman.

Hines and Janegale Boyd, William Massey, Dr. Barbara Reddick, Sam Madison, Jr., Angelo Barker and Anonymous, the generous donors of the grand prizes, which included three Amazon Fire Tablets and two bicycles. Children were able to enter the contest by reading during the summer and participating in library events.

We would like to make special mention of the NASA lunar rock and meteor program, which would not have been possible without the efforts of the following: The National Aeronautics and Space Agency (NASA) for generously making these rare and unique samples free to the public to help extend our firsthand knowledge of space and geology.

David Driggers, Jr. and the staff at FMB for housing these priceless discs in their vaults and for taking them out and locking them up each day we had an event. Captain Mac Norton of the Monticello Police Department, who provided security for the lunar samples every day for two weeks, which enabled NASA to release the discs to the library safely.

Additionally, we would like to recognize the library staff, each of whom put many hours into organizing and leading these programs and providing a safe and welcoming environment for children and families during the summer. They are library paraprofessionals Terez Washington, Rani Rae Morgan, Ashley Garcia and Heather McClelland; Doris Andrews, who advocated tirelessly for this program and personally reached out to families every week; and Youth Services Librarian Courtney Nicolou who organized each program, coordinated the calendar, became a Certified Lunar Rock Handler, and led weekly storytimes for our babies and preschoolers.

Finally, we would like to thank the children who attended our programs and their parents and caregivers. Children who attend library programs over the summer are more likely to succeed in school and grow up as readers and writers. Your children are the future and your dedication to their success is remarkable.

If you participated in organizing, funding or leading the Libraries Rock summer reading program, and you are not mentioned here, please know that your support and involvement is no less appreciated. Our summer reading program was a huge success thanks to this wonderful community.

Natalie Binder
Library Director

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child was missing.

The mother returned home a short time later, and during a continued search for the two-year-old, they located the child at the bottom of the swimming pool.

After interviewing multiple neighbors,

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In October 2017, Grier was again arrested as a suspect in an attempted armed robbery at the Neighborhood Store at 825 East Washington in Monticello.

According to the Monticello Police Department (MPD) arrest report, a father and

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The public safety of citizens, Massey said, should not be influenced by who one was, where one lived or what one drove. If elected, he said, he would work to make the office accountable, responsive, inclusive, open and transparent.

“I possess the leadership, integrity, commitment and experience,” Massey said. “I am ready to provide the leadership to take Jefferson County to the next level.”

What steps did he propose to reduce the department's oversized budget?

“Law enforcement is expensive,” Massey said, noting that the office operated 24-7 and a certain level of staffing and equipment was necessary to do the job.

“Some of the expenses you just have to deal with,” he said. “But I also believe in doing without and I would try to reduce some of the costs. I understand it's taxpayers' money.”

He was asked to cite his experiences at the JCSO.

Massey said he had served as a dispatcher, correctional officer, resource officer, overseen a drug unit and lastly was in criminal investigations.

How would he deal with emergency management and the Emergency Operations Center?

It was part of the JCSO, Massey said. He said he thought the two people currently in place were doing a good job and he would keep them.

What was his stance on the Second Amendment and Stand Your Ground Law?

He supported the Second Amendment, Massey said. But if thought it would save a life or lives, he would give up his assault rifle, he said.

“But I'm just one American,” Massey added.

law enforcement learned that this child had walked off the property on multiple occasions. Several neighbors made statements that the child had been known to roam the neighborhood without the parents being aware of his location.

Based on evidence located at the scene and interviews of witnesses and family

daughter told officers that immediately after exiting the store, a black male who had been inside the store approached the father and asked for money.

When the victim said he had no money, the assailant “pulled a knife from his pocket and demanded the victim's wallet,” according to the police report.

The victim then held his hands up and

As for the Stand Your Ground law, he saw no reason for it.

“In my mind, you already have a right to protect yourself and your property,” Massey said. “I think maybe we need to do away with it.”

What about the guardian program?

He supported the resource officer program but not the guardian program, he said.

“Personally, I'm not a fan of that,” Massey said of the latter. “I don't think it's a good idea to arm teachers. That's putting more arms on the campus. How do you keep kids from stealing the guns?”

What did he see as the biggest law-enforcement problem in Jefferson County?

He knew that crime was the usually cited culprit, Massey said. But he thought low morale was the biggest problem, and it stemmed from the low pay, he said.

Would he expound on his opening remarks that if elected he would be more about service and less about politics and decisions of convenience?

“We have a hard job,” Massey said. “But when you become an officer, you take an oath. If you can't abide by the oath, you shouldn't be an officer. It should always be about the law, not the particular individual. We can't cross lines; we're bound by the oath. I'm always concerned about officers crossing lines. It gets into attitude.”

He described his management style as believing in God first and family second and working closely with the staff.

“You have to work with your staff to inspire them to work with you,” he said. “You need to reward them when they do good and punish them when they do bad. You always have to have open streamline communications. Being a small agency, you can get closer to your employees. I know it's said you can't be a boss

members, the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office submitted a warrant for review with the State Attorney's Office on Wednesday, August 8, for Aggravated Manslaughter of a Child.

The warrant was approved and signed by a judge.

White was arrested on Friday, August 10, and was later released on \$25,000 bond.

yelled to his daughter to call the police, at which point the man jumped into a nearby vehicle driven by a woman and drove away on South Marvin Street.

Investigators were able to identify the vehicle from the surveillance camera footage and learned the assailant's identity from the vehicle's occupants, according to the police report.

and a friend, but if I have an employee who needs help, I will help. I plan to have an open door policy and communicate.”

As for administrative experience, he had supervised three deputies in the drug squad and two in criminal investigation unit, he said. And as the number three man in the organization, he was in charge when the Sheriff and Under Sheriff weren't in the office.

How would he deal with the potential of a mass shooting?

He would train deputies by leading discussions and watching videos of shooting incidents that happened elsewhere to determine what was done right, what was done wrong and learn from the incidents, he said.

From the citizens came a variety of questions.

Would he auction confiscated property? Yes, Massey said.

As a manager, how would he deal with disciplining employees and what was the one thing he couldn't tolerate?

“I can't take liars,” Massey said.

As for his disciplinary style, he would administer discipline in steps, beginning with an oral reprimand and making the consequences more severe if the behavior persisted, he said.

He said he would consider implementing traffic enforcement patrols if it would help raise revenues for the county. And body cameras were a must, he said.

He had no experience in budget formulation, never having been provided the opportunity, he said.

“Quite frankly, I was not involved in the budget,” Massey said. “I stayed in my own lane and did what the Sheriff said.”

What made him think he could perform better than the current Sheriff?

“It's hard to describe,” Massey said. “I just have a knack for dealing with people.”

City revisits US 90 improvements

Lazaro Aleman
ECB Publishing, Inc.

Now that the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is readying plans for the continued paving of US 90 through Monticello and east to the Madison County line, city officials are preparing to follow-up on their requests for improvements to the section of the road within town.

“The plans are now 30-percent complete,” City Clerk Emily Anderson recently informed the Monticello City Council, reminding the members of the list of desired improvements that the city had submitted to the FDOT.

“They (FDOT) will soon begin incorporating some of these requests into the plan,” Anderson continued. “They will also soon be holding hearing on the plans and these requests will be coming up. You need to be there and be proactive. The FDOT is aware of what we want, but it doesn't hurt to remind them.”

The city submitted its requests to the FDOT several months ago via a memo titled “Comments for Design Consideration”, touting city officials many actions to enhance the town's appearance and economic vitality and asking that the state agency to address the city's safety and mobility challenges while ensuring the town's historic integrity.

Among city officials' cited concerns that they asked the FDOT officials to consider when the latter was planning and designing the resurfacing of U.S. 90 were:

Speeds: City officials noted that traffic travels faster than the posted speed, especially along the entrances to the downtown area and asked for implementation of speed-reduction measures.

Sight distance: City officials noted that pedestrian visibility and sight distance was lacking along the road, especially given the wide

rights-of-way.

Cyclists: City officials noted that accommodations for cyclists were lacking within the central downtown area.

Accessibility: City officials said that considerable improvements were needed in grades, slopes and curbing for ADA accessibility, especially at driveways cuts and driveway aprons.

Drainage facilities: City officials noted that several drainage facilities were restricted either by poor design or blockage from previous resurfacing projects.

Signage: City officials said that a review was needed of the excessive number of signs that were located throughout the U.S. 90 corridor. Some of the signage, they suggested, could be replaced or enhanced by updated pavement markings.

“Signage should be consistent, aesthetic and appropriate with the historic character of the city center,” the memo stated.

City officials offered the following recommendations to the FDOT for when the resurfacing began:

They asked that the FDOT contractor work with the city utility crew to ensure that the 28 manholes and water valves in the project area were reset correctly at the end of the construction so that the structures remained accessible.

They pointed out that a stormwater cross-drainage facility on West Washington Street presently does not drain the property, creating a traffic safety hazard when the eastbound lane floods during heavy rains. They asked that the drainage be redesigned to correct the problem.

Sharrows: City officials asked that the FDOT install sharrow pavement markings to alert motorists to the possible presence of cyclists in the travel lane, given the heavy bicycle traffic that the

city sometimes experiences on U.S. 90.

They also asked that the FDOT install signage along with the sharrow pavement markings to better convey to motorists the concept of road sharing.

Tree protection: City officials requested that the design of the paving areas include protection of the existing trees along U.S. 90, which is locally designated a heritage road. They asked that the FDOT ensure that the curbing allow the canopy trees to have the maximum access to water and soil nutrients.

Lighting: City officials requested that the FDOT perform a lighting analysis to determine if the downtown US 90 corridor meets the standards of a major arterial. They also asked that the FDOT consider the installation of decorative street light poles and fixtures to assist with developing the aesthetic appeal of downtown and provide visual traffic-calming cues for drivers and pedestrians.

Rumble strips: City officials requested that rumble strips not be utilized within the city limits because of noise concerns.

Signage: City officials requested that the FDOT give careful consideration to the placement, size and support structure of signs, as signage already cluttered the city and in many places was not readily visible, was redundant or conflicted with the city's historic character.

Pedestrian crossings: City officials requested that high-visibility pedestrian bulb-outs be installed at the intersections of US 90 and US 19 around the courthouse circle.

“Beside creating safe routes for vulnerable road users, the bulb-outs will allow for signage that is closer to the actual vehicle lanes of travel, will allow for some corresponding drainage improvements at these intersections, will greatly enhance

the visibility of cars entering US 90 from sides streets, and will eliminate problematic illegal parking at the corners,” the memo stated. “The bulb-outs will also assist with traffic-calming in the areas entering and exiting the courthouse circle.”

Curbing and slope deficiencies: City officials noted the existence of several curbing and slope deficiencies where currently no sidewalks were discernible and additionally were ADA noncompliant.

Angled parking: City officials asked that the city be allowed to retain on-street parking in the downtown area, but suggested a review of the parking layout with city staff to determine where ADA spaces should be placed, where realignment of existing spaces were needed, and where proper corner setbacks established.

“Assistance with techniques to discourage motorists from parking illegally in the corner setback areas is requested,” the memo stated.

The Ike Anderson Bike Trail crosswalk: City officials noted that the crossing is elevated above the roadway and not aligned with the intersection. Thus, they pointed out, the markings and signage are not readily visible to motorists. Additionally, they said, pedestrians don't have a median or safe zone between the travel lanes, making it difficult for them to elude vehicles turning onto the roadway from the nearby driveways and streets.

Compounding the problem, city officials said, the speed limit approaching the trail from the east was 35 mph, which was inappropriate for the entrance to the downtown area.

“Because of the hazardous nature of the crossing, the city requests consideration of installation of pedestrian-actuated lightning devices to alert vehicles of pedestrians or cyclists entering the crossing,” the memo stated.

BARBECUE DINNER WITH TRIPLE L

Debbie Snapp
ECB Publishing, Inc.

Triple L (Live Long and Love it) group members and their guests enjoyed a barbecue dinner at the First Baptist Church Monticello, in the fellowship hall.

Entertainment for this annual event was Suzie Elkins, who picked up her guitar to play several uplifting songs, singing a medley of bouncy, Christian tunes and sharing a few humorous stories along the way.

Elkins deep, steady and beautiful voice had her audience singing and clapping along with her words and music. She told a few “good, clean jokes” to the group as they laughed along with her, sharing “If you don't feel the music, don't sing it.”

LLL President Maggie Shofner made a few announcements before the guests headed for the buffet tables of homemade desserts and side items.

Triple L will meet again on Tuesday, September 25, for another shared homemade meal. Entertainment will be the young ladies from Light House Children's Home in Tallahassee.



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Suzie Elkins sang and played guitar for the Triple L group during their annual Barbecue Dinner.



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Enjoying the annual Barbecue Dinner at Triple L, pictured from left to right, are: Ethel Strickland, Mary Ellen Francis, Elaine Whittington and her mother Mary Wimberly.

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Sunrise in Monticello



Photo By Chuck Sarkisian, July 25, 2018
“View from my front door in northeast Monticello today at 7:03 a.m. on Wednesday, July 25.” -Chuck Sarkisian



Ann Morrow Mickler Norfleet Stallings Hamrick

Ann Morrow Mickler Norfleet Stallings Hamrick, age 79, of Madison, Florida, died at home on Friday, August 10, 2018, surrounded by her loving family and God's amazing grace.

Ann Morrow was born August 13, 1938, in Madison, Florida, to the late Frederick Troupe "Fred" and Robbie Morrow Mickler. She was a lifelong member of the First United Methodist Church where she was a faithful member of the Mickler Handbell Choir, the Chancel Choir, and the Dickinson-Williamson Circle. She was also a past president of the United Methodist Women (UMW) and a member of the Fred Mickler Sunday School Class.

Ann Morrow was a 1956 graduate of Madison High School and attended North Florida Junior College. She worked in the NFJC library, but she is perhaps best known, however, for her dedication as the executive secretary to the plant managers of Dixie Packers, Inc. In 1992, she was awarded the American Business Woman of the Year for Madison County.

Ann Morrow was a charter member of the Madison County Gator Club, a participant in the "Keenagers" activities, a past member of the Madison Woman's Club, and an ardent supporter of the Artist Series of NFCC. She loved all Gator sports and enjoyed playing bridge and tennis.

Ann Morrow was predeceased by her parents; her brother Randell Robert "Bob" Mickler; her sister Frances Mickler Sanders; her youngest son Henry Randell "Hank"

Stallings; her first husband Nat Smith Norfleet, Sr.; and her second husband Henry Allison Stallings.

She is survived by her husband, Oliver Rudolph "Rudy" Hamrick, Jr.; her sons Nat Smith Norfleet, Jr. and his wife Monica and Frederick Mickler "Mike" Norfleet and his wife Nida; brother Dr. Frederick Troupe Mickler, Jr.; sisters-in-law Raye Wooley and Nell Ring; and four grandchildren: Lindsay Fico and husband Damon, Eric Norfleet and wife Daryl, Tre Norfleet, and Kristen Norfleet. Ann was blessed with three great-grandchildren, Dallas Norfleet, Stella Mae Norfleet, and Damon Chandler "D.C." Fico. She also leaves behind many loving nieces and nephews and numerous family and dear friends whose lives she touched with her genuine compassion, her sweet smile, her Christ-like faith, and her unwavering sense of humor.

The funeral service will be held on her birthday, Monday, August 13, 2018, at the First United Methodist Church of Madison, Florida, at 11 a.m. The family will receive friends on Sunday, August 12, from 5 to 7 p.m. at the same location. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Big Bend Hospice, Madison's First United Methodist Church, or the Florida United Methodist Children's Home Youth Ranch in Pinetta, Florida.

Beggs Funeral Home of Monticello is in charge of arrangements. (850) 997-5612. Condolences may be sent to the family by visiting the website at www.beggsfuneralhomes.net.

Fred J. Waldinger



Fred J. Waldinger, 80, of Monticello, peacefully went to be with the Lord while surrounded by loving family on August 9, 2018. Fred was born in Erie, PA where he earned his BS from Allegheny College. He then moved to Florida and completed his Masters Program at the University of Miami.

Fred was an avid outdoorsman, enjoying fishing, duck hunting, and later in life, his beloved chestnut grove. He was a man of strong faith and a member of St. Margaret Catholic Church. Fred was a devoted husband and father who always put his family first. He is survived by his wife of 48 years, Betty J. Waldinger; two daughters, Mary F.

Malphurs and Linda L. Lynch, one son, Fred J. Waldinger II; and countless grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Fred touched many lives and we welcome all friends and family to celebrate his life for Funeral Mass officiated by Father Dominic D. Tran on Friday, August 17 at 11 a.m. at St. Margaret Catholic Church, located at 1565 E. Washington Street in Monticello. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in memory of Fred J. Waldinger to Big Bend Hospice.

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\$250 Worth of Coupons to Local Businesses!

\$2,000 check presented to senior center

Story Submitted

On Thursday, July 12, Monticello's branch of the Capital City Bank Group presented a \$2,000 check to the Jefferson Senior Citizens Center, which was received by the center's Director Diane Fincham and Board Member Nan Baughman.

The Capital City Bank Group (CCBG) Foundation donates funds to charitable organizations in the communities it serves. During the 2018 grant cycle, the CCBG

Foundation
reinvested
\$2,500
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Jefferson County community by way of grants awarded to organizations like the Jefferson Senior Citizens Center. The grants provided by the CCBG Foundation help these organizations and others like them fulfill their missions and enhance the lives of hundreds of local citizens.

"We're thankful we are able to help these organizations make a difference within the communities they serve," said Justin Forehand, Capital City Bank president of Jefferson, Madison and Taylor counties.

"Community involvement has always been a hallmark of Capital City Bank and by investing in worthwhile organizations such as these, the Capital City Bank Group Foundation can help build stronger communities."

The CCBG Foundation is a non-profit organization created in 1983 by Capital City Bank Group that provides grants to non-profit, charitable organizations and institutions exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. The mission of the CCBG Foundation is to invest in initiatives that benefit local communities. A majority of the funds are distributed to specific areas of focus, including: arts/culture, children/youth services, economic/community development, education, health/sciences and human services.

Applications are reviewed once a year and are due by April 1.

For more information on the Capital City Bank Group Foundation, visit ccbFOUNDATION.org.

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

On Thursday, July 12, the Capital City Bank Group Foundation donated \$2,000 to the Jefferson Senior Citizens Center (JSCC). Pictured, from left to right, are: Banker Geri Ann Driggers, Capital City Bank President Justin Forehand, JSCC Director Diane Fincham and JSCC Board Member Nan Baughman.



Sparkman collects school items

ECB Publishing, Inc. Photo By
Debbie Snapp, July 28, 2018

Reese Sparkman helped collect school supplies for area students going back to school. She's pictured here with her handmade sign on West Washington Street.



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August 15, 18

Jefferson Arts is open to the public on Wednesdays and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Gallery for monthly shows that usually continue through the month. For those having questions or concerns contact Susan Rissman at srissman4766@embarqmail.com.

August 15

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.

August 16, 23, 30

Ageless Grace: Timeless Fitness for the Body and Mind, continues at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday at the Jefferson Senior Citizens Center, with Instructor Marghi McClearn offering 21 simple tools for lifelong comfort and ease.

August 17

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.

August 17

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. Come out and enjoy the music.

August 18

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.

August 18

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.

August 20

American Legion Post 234 meets at 5 p.m. on third Monday at the Teen Center on Tiger Lane. For more information contact Commander Mack Benjamin at (850) 997-5977.

August 20

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 tone 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.

August 20

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.

Crandall and Mosley: 1st Place for presentation at Florida 4-H University



Photo Submitted

Representing the Jefferson County 4-H, Sarah Crandall (left) and Jada Mosley (right) presented an illustrated talk at the Florida 4-H University on Wednesday, August 1. Their talk, which was titled "Stay Alive: Don't Drink and Drive", was presented in unison by the two young women as they shared the dangers of drinking driving. Pictured, Mosley and Crandall hold their 1st Place Trophies following their award-winning presentation.

RECALL: Bacteria found in CVS nasal spray

Ashley Hunter, ECB Publishing, Inc.



On Wednesday, August 8, Product Quest Manufacturing, the company which produces the CVS Health brand of nasal relief spray, recalled their 12-Hour Sinus Relief Nasal Mist after the product was found to contain Pseudomonas aeruginosa.

According to the report issued by the FDA, repetitive use of a nasal spray containing a gram-negative pathogen can potentially lead to colonization and subsequent infection.

The infection can be life threatening in certain patient populations, such as those with cystic fibrosis or with compromised immune systems.

Pseudomonas aeruginosa is a common bacterium that can cause disease in plants, animals and humans. Some isolates of the bacterium can be resistant to a large range of antibiotics.

The product is used as a nasal decongestant and is packaged in a 0.5 fluid ounce bottle that is placed in an individual folding carton. 16,896 units were released with UPC code 50428432365.

The affected CVS Health 12-Hour Sinus Relief Nasal Mist lot is Lot # 173089J, EXP 09/19. The product can be identified by a white nasal spray bottle and an orange label with Sinus Relief stated in white with CVS Health on top left. The IFC containing the bottle is also orange and contains the same wording. Lot 173089J and EXP 09/19 is coded on the side panel of the carton.

Product was distributed around the United States to CVS retail outlets.

Consumers with questions regarding this recall can contact Product Quest Manufacturing LLC at (386) 239-8787, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Eastern Time.

Consumers should contact their physician or healthcare provider if they have experienced any problems that may be related to taking or using this drug product.

Adverse reactions or quality problems experienced with the use of this product may be reported to the FDA's MedWatch Adverse Event Reporting program either online, by regular mail or by fax.

Complete and submit the report online at fda.gov/medwatch/report.htm or through regular mail or fax; the download form can be found at fda.gov/MedWatch/getforms.htm or call (1-800) 332-1088 to request a reporting form, then complete and return to the address on the pre-addressed form, or submit by fax to (1-800) FDA-0178

Stop the Violence community event



Photo Submitted
Monticello Police Chief Fred Mosley is welcomed to the 'Stop the Violence' outreach event on July 21 by event coordinator Lamar Hughes.



Photo Submitted
Candidate Sheriff William Massey is greeted by Lamar Hughes, event coordinator for the July 21 'Stop the Violence' outreach event; a fun, outdoor community event.

Debbie Snapp, ECB Publishing, Inc.

The HUGHES Community Center held its first 'Stop the Violence' outreach event on the afternoon of July 21. The Saturday event was held at the Jefferson Teen Center, 555 Tiger Lane.

Music was put on by DJ Lil Boy; food vendors were plentiful, bounce houses were full and flag football was played by all ages of area children participating.

This was a family-oriented event, the community was invited to attend for a day of fun and games.

Among those attending the 'Stop the Violence' outreach event were Monticello Police Chief Fred Mosley and William Massey, who is associated with the area's law enforcement community.



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- Added an additional school resource officer to Somerset.
- Arranged to obtain nine surplus 911 Operator Consoles and spare parts valued at approximately \$100,000.
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Resources for parents of Jefferson Somerset students

Story Submitted

Well, it is about that time again! Back-to-School is in full swing. Schedules have been set, school supply shelves are stocked at local stores, new teachers are organizing their rooms and returning teachers and staff are reporting for duty. Jefferson Somerset is no exception. The school campuses received improved grades from the state of Florida over the summer, and administration looks to continue to build in that direction for the 2018-19 school year.

Parents looking to find the school supply lists by grade for their child or children can go to the school website here:

somersejjefferson.org/apps/news/show_news.jsp?REC_ID=518265&id=0

Families needing after-school care can fill out the application here

for the school's after-care program: somersejjefferson.org/apps/news/show_news.jsp?REC_ID=519252&id=0

For those who would like to see the 2018-19 Academic Year Calendar, please use this link:

somersejjefferson.org/apps/news/show_news.jsp?REC_ID=519312&id=0

This year parents may want to note and be aware that Jefferson-Somerset is now pleased to offer the Student Accident Insurance Program. Parents can read more at the following link to learn about this small insurance policy to cover their kids for during school hours and school activities for unforeseen accidents that may occur:

somersejjefferson.org/apps/news/show_news.jsp?REC_ID=519406&id=0

Please visit the Jefferson Somerset school website for all the information you need for the 2018-19 school year: somersejjefferson.org.

Monticello Music Academy begins September 4

Monticello Music Academy will begin September 4 and runs through April. This fun and free children's ministry is a joint project involving teachers and students from the entire community. It is for children from the age of 4 years old through 6th grade. We meet Tuesday afternoons from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. in FUMC's Youth Center and Sunday school rooms. The curriculum includes melody bells, chimes, keyboard, guitar and singing. You may pick up registration forms at First United Methodist Church.

We are always looking for more adult and teen helpers for everything from teaching to serving snacks. Each new person brings in wonderful new and exciting ideas to add to our program. If you like working with children, and can spare one hour per week, we have a place for you! Call FUMC for more information at (850) 997-5545 and get your little ones enrolled today.

NFCC Honors LPN Class of 2018



NFCC Practical Nursing Graduates Participate in Ceremonial Lighting of the Lamps

North Florida Community College recently honored twenty-one graduates from NFCC's Practical Nursing Program during a Pinning and Lamp Lighting ceremony on Thursday, July 12, at Van H. Priest Auditorium.

Robin Pearson, NFCC Allied Health Instructor welcomed friends, family and distinguished NFCC Administration to the momentous occasion.

The pinning ceremony is a special moment for Practical Nursing graduates and marks the beginning of each student's career as a healthcare professional. NFCC Allied Health Instructor and guest speaker Amanda Williams bestowed sincere congratulations and encouraging words upon the future LPNs.

Celina Quintana of Madison County received the Nightingale Award and Brianna Davis of Madison County received the Clinical Excellence Award. Savanna Hamlin of Lafayette County received the 2018 Academic Excellence Award and was honored as the 2018 Keeper of the Light.

NFCC is proud to recognize the graduating LPN class of 2018 and applauds their accomplishments.

This year's NFCC's Practical Nursing Class of 2018 Jefferson County graduate was Kayla Fulford of Monticello.

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Harvest Center Summer Program wraps up another successful year



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The Harvest Center Summer Enrichment Program is provided to the families of Jefferson County at no cost, and therefore relies on the aid and dedication of volunteers to oversee the children, cook meals, drive the buses and everything else required. The volunteers who took the time to dedicate their time to the program were all honored at the July 26 End of the Summer Program banquet. Pictured, from left to right, are: Vangela Robinson-Jones, George King, Gloria Graham, Jonathan Youngblood, Alfred Raines, and Earnestine Raines. Not pictured are Martha Robinson, Irria Parris and Sara Griffin.

Ashley Hunter, ECB Publishing, Inc.

On Friday, July 27, the Harvest Center Enrichment Program held its End of the Summer Enrichment Program within the Jefferson Somerset cafeteria.

The program was an opportunity for the children in the program to demonstrate the poems, songs, praise dances and daily words that they had learned throughout the summer to their families, and for the volunteers who the program depends on in order to be a success year after year.

The Harvest Center program is an annual summer camp that is hosted by the Tri-County Ministries Inc., of Monticello.

The program operates at no cost to the families who participate.

This year, the program began on June 5, and ended on July 27.

Throughout the summer, the children were able to engage in athletic and team-building sports, learn to recite poems, songs and a Word of the Week and practiced praise dances.

During the End of the Summer program, the children recited their poems, sang their songs and performed their praise dance for their parents and families.

Championship Trophies were also granted to the children and teen volunteers who had made an impact on the sports field.



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Spending the summer volunteering isn't the ideal summer vacation for most teenagers, but the success of this year's Harvest Center Summer Enrichment Program was due in part to the fantastic staff of teenaged volunteers who were involved in the program. At the July 26 End of the Summer Program, the teen volunteers were recognized and awarded for their hard work. Pictured from left to right are: Jevon Petway, Travayjah Keaton, DeMarius Alexander, Jakeysia Denson and Jakiyah Robinson.

Both adult and teenaged volunteers alike were honored for their hard work, dedication and commitment to the summer program.

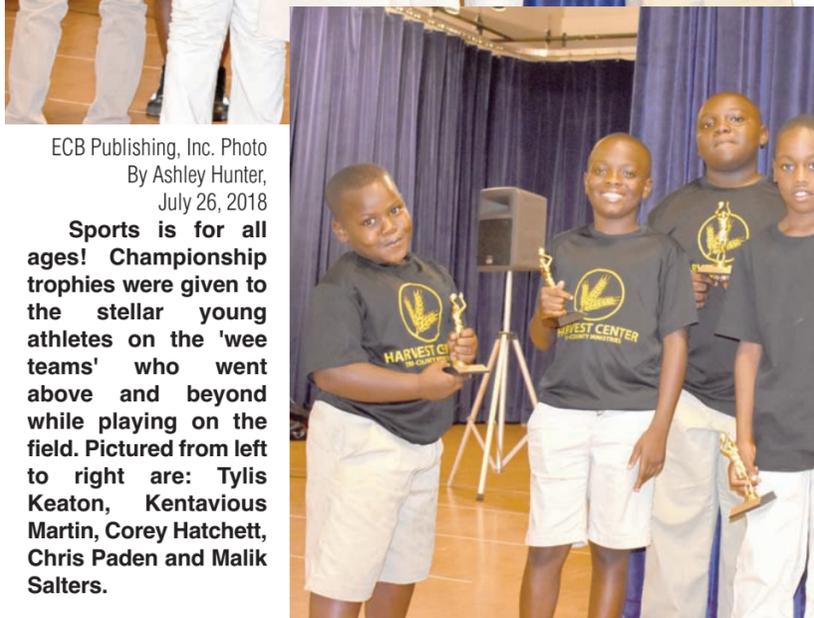
Tomura Mathis provided a solo musical performance for the event and Jonathan Youngblood recited a special poem.

At the end of the program, a backpack giveaway was held for the students who were in attendance for the evening; the donated backpacks were given away to elementary and middle/high school grade students.



ECB Publishing, Inc. Photo By Ashley Hunter, July 26, 2018

Standing with their trophies are the athletes on the Basketball Team for the Harvest Center Summer Enrichment Program. Pictured from left to right are: Travis Keaton, Jr., Macara Wilson, Monae Keaton, Carl Shuler, Jr., Teen Volunteer DeMarius Alexander and Isaiah Butler.



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Sports is for all ages! Championship trophies were given to the stellar young athletes on the 'wee teams' who went above and beyond while playing on the field. Pictured from left to right are: Tylis Keaton, Kentavious Martin, Corey Hatchett, Chris Paden and Malik Salters.



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Closing out the End of the Summer Program, a backpack giveaway was held to all the children who had participated in the Harvest Center Summer Program and were in attendance on July 26. All the backpacks were donated, and were given to students in the elementary grades as well as middle/high grades.



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The End of the Summer Program for the Harvest Center included a meal for the participants, a presentation of awards as well as various programs by the children themselves as they demonstrated the recited poems, songs and praise dances that they had learned throughout the year.

Financial Focus...

Time to Put Excess Cash to Work?

You'll always want to base your investment decisions on your own needs and goals. But there may be times when you might consider adjusting your portfolio because of risks and opportunities. Now may be one of those times.

Here's some background: In recent months, the Federal Reserve has raised short-term interest rates several times, and given its generally favorable outlook on the economy, it has indicated it may continue bumping up interest rates gradually over the next year or so. The Fed doesn't control long-term interest rates, but these rates often follow the lead of short-term movements. However, longer-term rates haven't yet risen as much as shorter-term ones, which means the difference between short- and long-term rates is relatively small, historically speaking.

This doesn't mean you should make drastic changes to your portfolio. You still need to stick with the asset allocation that's suitable for your situation, which typically involves owning a certain percentage of growth-oriented vehicles, such as stocks, and a certain percentage of fixed-income securities, such as bonds. However, if you do have space in the fixed-income part of your portfolio, you may find the higher interest rates offered by short-term bonds and certificates of deposit (CDs) to be attractive. To take advantage of this opportunity, though, you will need to have the cash available to invest.

Some people hold too much in cash, waiting for interest rates to rise, or as protection against the risk of a market decline. But holding excess cash involves its own risk – the risk of not investing. So, if you have your cash needs covered, you may want to consider investing any excess cash.

To determine if you are holding excess cash, you'll need to review your entire cash situation. For example, do you have enough cash, or cash equivalents, to create an emergency fund of three to six months' worth of living expenses? This fund can be vital in helping you pay for things like a major car repair or an unexpected medical bill without dipping in to your long-term investments. And, of course, you need enough liquidity to provide for your lifestyle, including your regular spending needs – your mortgage, utilities, groceries and so on. Also, you may want to set aside enough cash for a goal you want to reach in the next year or so, such as a vacation.

But if you have taken care of all these needs and you still have excess cash, you may want to consider putting this cash to work, possibly by investing in short-term fixed-income vehicles now being issued at higher interest rates.

And keep in mind that regardless of where interest rates are going, bonds and other fixed-income investments can offer some key benefits to investors. In addition to providing a source of regular income, these types of investments can help reduce the effects of volatility on your portfolio. While bonds can, and will, fluctuate in value, they typically can provide more stability to your portfolio and tend to behave differently than stocks over time.

After years of historical lows, shorter-term rates now have risen to levels that are more attractive to investors. Take the time to review your situation, perhaps with the help of a financial professional, to determine if taking advantage of these rates may be appropriate for you.

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P.O. Box 163 • Monticello
Pastor Daryl Adams
(850) 251-0129

Sunday School.....9:45 AM
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

CENTRAL CHURCH OF CHRIST

US 19 South at Cooper's Pond Road
(850) 997-1166
Minister Steve Cordle

Sunday Bible School.....10:00 AM
Worship Hour.....11:00 AM
Wednesday
Bible Study7:00 PM

CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

425 North Cherry Street • Monticello • 997-4116
www.ChristChurchMonticello.com
Email: christchurch425@yahoo.com
Rev. James Bowen May, Priest

Communicating the Good News of Jesus Christ since 1840
Sunday 9:00 AM.....Adult and Children Sunday School
10:00 AMHoly Eucharist
Nursery provided for children under 5

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

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

Shawn and Bethany Grosvenor, Pastors

Sunday School.....9:45 AM
Morning Worship.....10:45 AM
Student Life Group.....4:30 PM
Tuesday Evening
Mens & Ladies Bible Study 6:00 PM
Saturday
Spanish Church Services.....7:30 PM

ELIZABETH BAPTIST CHURCH

4124 Bassett Dairy Rd • Monticello • 997-8444
Email: secretary@ebcmonticello.com
website: 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
RA's/GA's/Mission Friends/Youth

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

325 West Washington Street
Monticello (850) 997-2349
www.fbcmonticello.org
Pastor Sean Vickers

Sunday School.....9:45 AM
Sunday Morning Worship.....11:00 AM
Children's Church - Ages 4-6 & 7-12.....11:30 AM
Sunday Evening Worship.....6:00 PM
Wednesday Youth Group/Service.....6:15 to 7:15 PM
Wednesday Bible Study.....6:30 PM
-Nursery for all services-
Adult Choir Practice Wednesdays7:00 PM
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
Outreach/Visitation, Thursdays.....10:00 AM

FIRST CORINTHIAN CHURCH

955 Lemon St./ P.O. Box 1112, Monticello,
(850) 545-2039
sonnyjohnjr@aol.com
Pastor John Jones

Sabbath Morning Worship.....11:00 AM
Wednesday/Friday Bible Study.....6:30 PM

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

325 W. Walnut Street • Monticello
Pastor John Hicks 997-5545
www.monticelloFUMC.org
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
Chancel Choir Practice.....6:30

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

290 East Dogwood Street • Monticello • (850) 997-2252
R.C. Griffin, III, Pastor

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

From the Pulpit...

The Purpose of Fishing is to Catch Fish

I don't know everything about fishing, but let me share with you several things I have learned or have come to understand about it over the years.

1. Fish do not come to the fisherman. Fishermen have to go to the fish. Occasionally we may hear about one that jumps into the boat, but that's rare. We have to go where the fish are, offer them something to get their attention to take what we have to offer before reeling them in.

2. Fishing needs to be intentional. You don't hear of a fisherman when asked how he or she did, answer, "I didn't catch any but I influenced several." The challenge we face is many do not find fish because they are not looking for fish to catch, and if they do find them they aren't ready. Fish don't bite all of the time. The ones that catch the most fish are those who have

lines out when the fish decide to bite. And sometimes that takes time.

3. Shared fishing experiences bring blessings and shared success. It's always more fun to share a common experience.

4. Boats don't catch fish. Rods and reels and hooks and lines and sinkers by themselves don't catch fish, only people catch fish and that is why the fishing business is our business.

The church exists for the fish who have not yet been caught. It is our job to go out and find those fish and to catch those fish and to bring those fish into the Kingdom of God.

If you are a follower of Christ, you are where you are today because somebody went fishing. We were all fish once and the reason why we are what we are is because somebody fished for us. We were caught. We were cleaned and we were changed by the power of Jesus Christ and we love it.

The greatest difference we

will ever make in this life is to lead others to be different in their life by knowing Christ. Hear this, God wants to take where you are and who you are and place you in the lives of other people where you can follow Him and fish for them and catch some of them and bring them into His family.

In a survey taken of people not currently attending church, 31 percent said that they would very likely go if invited. 51 percent said they would be somewhat likely to come.

Will everybody come if asked? No, but don't let the fish that don't bite keep you from continuing to fish for the ones that will!

Studies have shown that many churches have less than 5 percent of goers ever invite anyone to church.

The number one reason people start coming to church (or coming back to church) is because of the consistent encouragement of a trusted friend. Be that friend!

CHURCH NEWS NOTES

debbiesnapp@embarqmail.com OR (850) 997-3568

August 15

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 eagleswingmonticello@yahoo.com. Rev. R.C. Griffin III, church pastor.

August 17

Bethel AME Church and its pastor Jeffrey T. Graham along with New Bethel AME Church and its pastor Jimmie F. Dickey will host a Candidates Forum at 410 York Street at 6 p.m. on Friday. For more information call (850) 997-3242.

August 16

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.

August 16, 18, 19, 20

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.

August 18

Ford Chapel AME Church, located at 7671 West Lake Road, will celebrate its pastor, Bishop Ralph Wilson, with an Appreciation Worship Service at 6 p.m. on Saturday. Guest speaker will be Rev. Lee E.

MONTICELLO

MEMORIAL M.B. CHURCH

780 Second Street • Monticello • 997-4947
Moderator J.B. Duval, Pastor

Sundays

Sunday Church School (Every Sunday).....9:30 AM
Sunday Worship (2nd, 3rd and 4th Sundays).....11:00 AM
Youth Worship (2nd Sunday).....11:00 AM

Wednesdays

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

NEW HOPE CHURCH OF GOD

415 East Palmer Mill Rd • Monticello • 997-1119
www.newhopecog.net

Pastor Dr. E. Bob Kuschel
"The Sunday Place To Be"

Sunday School.....10:00 AM
Worship Service.....11:00 AM
Wed. Bible Study.....7:00 PM

OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

7369 Boston Hwy. Monticello
(850) 997-1596

Pastor David During

Sunday Bible Study.....10:00 AM
Sunday Worship.....11:00 AM
Sunday Evening.....6:00 PM
Wednesday
Bible & Prayer Meeting.....7:00 PM

Plummer, presiding elder of the Monticello Quincy District. All are invited to join together in honoring this servant of God for his unwavering love and devotion for the Gospel of Jesus Christ and the Church. Contact Sis. Jessie Jeff at (850) 661-3836 for more information.

August 24, 25

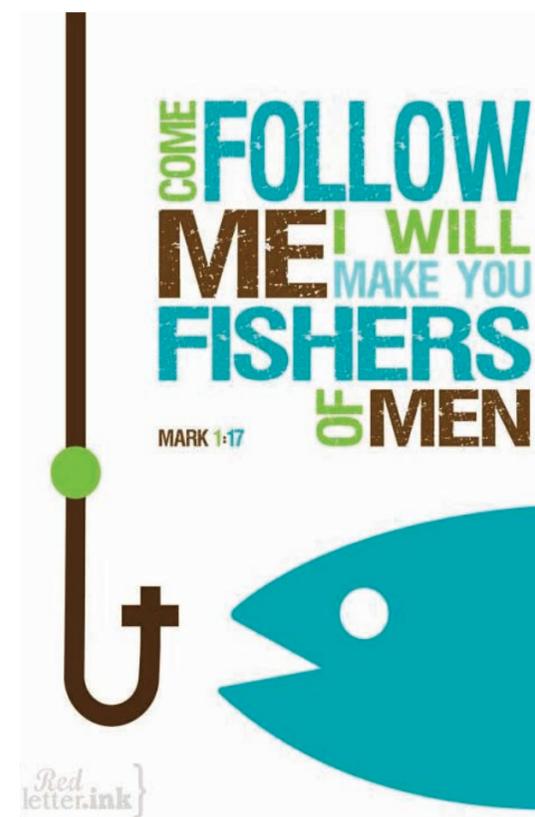
USDA Commodities Food Program and Second Harvest Food Bank together with the churches of New Bethel AME, Elizabeth MB, Hickory Hill MB, Mt. Pleasant AME, and Philadelphia MB will provide food to those needing assistance monthly at 8 a.m. on the fourth Saturday with distribution at the New Bethel AME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

August 27

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. This is a free program offering a time of sharing and learning with each other. Bring another caregiver with you. Rev. John Hicks, church pastor.

August 31

Christ Episcopal Church Food Share distribution from 9 to 11 a.m. on the last Friday at 425 North Cherry Street. Father Jim May, church pastor.



Baptist Association welcomes new Director of Missions

John Willoughby
ECB Publishing, Inc.

In late June, Middle Florida Baptist Association welcomed Rev. Robert Dixon to the Middle Florida region as the new Director of Missions.

Dixon has had a life-long background within the church, considering he played baby Jesus in a Christmas play as an infant. Though he was raised in the church, Dixon said he got saved to “avoid going to hell.” However, later in life, he realized that being saved was more than just fire insurance. It was more about service to God and others.

“It just seemed like a natural part of life to me,” said Dixon.

Born and raised in Asheville, NC, Dixon graduated high school in 1978 and graduated from University of North Carolina – Greensboro in 1982 with a Bachelor of Science in Municipal and Regional Recreation.

Dixon states he felt church recreation was his call to ministry. Church recreation, as Dixon describes it, is an outreach tool within a ministry to create experiences where church members can “draw in the unchurched.” This type of ministry includes crafts, camps, ball leagues, outings and other recreational church-related activities.

“[Church recreation] might make it easier for some folks to get involved in the life of a church in a less intimidating way,” said Dixon.

In 1985, Dixon graduated from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary with a Master of Arts in Religious Education. Since his graduation, Dixon states he's been on a church staff in one capacity or another since graduating with his Master's degree.

His church affiliation since 1986 is as follows: youth recreation at Winstanley Baptist Church, Fairview Heights, IL (1986-1989); youth recreation at Lakeview First Baptist Church, Rossville, GA (1989-1993); education and administration at First



Rev. Robert Dixon

Baptist Church of Albemarle, NC (1993-1998); education and administration at First Baptist Church of Kernersville, NC (1998-2000); education and administration, later interim pastor at Southeast Baptist Church in Greensboro, NC (2000-2003);

pastor at West Side Baptist Church in Winston-Salem, NC (2009-2016); and service pastor at First Baptist Church of Pilot Mountain, NC (2016-2018).

“All through this, even in Winston-Salem, I still had this sense of getting into associational mission work,” said Dixon. “I just felt I had the skills, a passion and an interest in this that better suited me to do this than pastor or anything else.”

Being a people person, Dixon isn't shy about looking to help local churches within MFBA's jurisdiction.

“The people I'm most concerned about are other pastors, other ministers,” said Dixon. “I don't think you'll find a healthy church that doesn't have a good pastor; and when I say good, I don't mean the best in the world, but one who is mature in his faith, doing what he is called to do and encouraged and supported [by the church].”

The church and the pastors are Dixon's main focus as he steps into the Director of Missions. What Dixon sees himself doing is to challenge and encourage pastors to keep up their spiritual walk and to build bonds with them.



MONTICELLO

GREATER FELLOWSHIP MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

690 Cypress Street • Monticello • (850) 997-4375
“Standing Firm On The Word Of God”

Dr. Melvin Roberts, Pastor

Sunday Church School.....10:00 A.M.
Sunday Praise & Worship.....11:15 A.M.
2nd Sunday Youth Praise & Worship
4th Sunday Individual Outreach Ministry & Fellowship
3rd Sunday Holy Communion
Wednesday Evenings
Prayer Meeting.....6:30 P.M.
Bible Study.....7:00 P.M.

RESTORED GLORY CHRISTIAN CENTER

1287 South Jefferson Street • 997-RGCC (7422)
www.restoredglory.org

Pastor Eddie and Elder Veronica Yon

Get Moving Womens Fitness & Fellowship, Monday.....6:00 PM
Sunday Church Service.....10:00 AM
Tuesday Night Taabo.....6:00 PM
Thursday Church Service.....7:00 PM
Pastor's Office by Appointment

SARDIS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

4543 Waukeena Hwy • 264-0802
www.sardismumc.org

Pastor Steve Lenzo

pastor@sardismumc.org

Worship Service9:30 AM
Sunday School To Follow
Tuesday Bible Study.....6:30 PM

MONTICELLO

ST. RILLA MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

13 Barrington Road • Monticello • (850) 997-8747

Rev. James Mack, Pastor

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

ST. PHILLIP A.M.E. CHURCH

Hwy. 27 South • (1 mile south of Hwy 59)
Monticello • 997-4226

Rev. J. W. Tisdale

Sunday Morning.....9:30 AM
Sunday Worship.....11:00 AM
Tuesday nights basic English classes
w/Gloria Norton at 7:00
Wednesday
Prayer & Bible Study.....7:00 PM

WACISSA

WACISSA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

14492 Waukeena Hwy/ P.O. Box 411
Wacissa • 997-2179 • www.wacissaumc.org

Pastor Steve Lenzo

pastor@wacissaumc.org

Sunday School.....9:45 AM
Sunday Morning.....10:55 AM
Wednesday
Dinner & Prayer Meeting.....5:45 PM
Youth Group.....6:15 PM
Choir Practice.....7:00 PM

“I'm no authority over them, I'm not their boss,” said Dixon. “I don't share things with them unless they ask, then I try to share everything with them I possibly can to be of help to them.”

After being in office for almost a full month, Dixon hasn't found anything unique in the MFBA because of the attendance in Baptist churches failing; not only in Middle Florida but all over the country.

“There was a time when Baptists built a building, opened the doors and people came pouring in,” said Dixon. “That day is gone. Even here in Middle Florida.”

Through the challenges, Dixon also sees a plus-side to Middle Florida. “We have many strong family churches,” said Dixon.

Dixon is married to Kim Dixon, who is now the new principal at Madison County Central School. Both Kim and Robert met while at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. Together, they have four children: Lyle (Heidi), Laura (Perry), Luke (Amanda) and Lindsey (Dylan). The Dixons also have two grandchildren: Davin and Ioanna.

A reception, hosted by Middle Florida Baptist Association, was held in honor of the Dixon's transition to Madison County. On Tuesday, Aug. 14 at Madison First Baptist Church, a meet and greet with Robert and Kim Dixon took place in the evening, and an executive committee meeting was held at the same night.

TALLAHASSEE

CAPITAL HEIGHTS BAPTIST CHURCH

7150 Apalachee Pkwy • Tallahassee
www.chbaptistchurch.org
Pastor Derrick Burrus
(850) 345-0425

Sunday School.....10:00 AM
Sunday Worship.....11:00 AM
Children's Chapel.....11:00 AM
Sunday Evening.....6:00 PM
Wednesday Evening.....7:00 PM
Prayer Meeting and Bible Study
Classes for Students

INDIAN SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH

5593 Veterans Memorial Drive (Hwy 59)
Tallahassee • (850) 893-5296
www.indianspringsbaptistchurch.com
email: indspgs@gmail.com

Rev. Greg Roberts

Sunday School.....9:45 AM
Sunday Worship.....11:00 AM
Wednesday
Fellowship Meal.....6:15 PM
Prayer Meeting.....7:00 PM
Children/Youth Programs.....7:00 PM

WAUKEENAH

WAUKEENAH UNITED METHODIST

81 Methodist Church Rd • Waukeena • 997-2171
www.waukeena-umc.org

Pastor Mary Ann Piccioni

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

Thrift Store open every Saturday,
9:00 AM-1:00 PM
www.waukeena-cemetery.com

LLOYD

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH of LLOYD

124 St. Louis Street • Lloyd • 997-5309
Pastor Jered Day

www.fbclloyd.net • fbclloyd1@embarqmail.com

Sunday 9:15 am Sunday School
10:30 am Praise & Worship
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)
Music Missions and More (Children)
6:45 pm
Worship on Wednesday

2nd/4th Monday 6:00 pm Ladies Bible Study
Thursdays 9:30 am Crafty Ladies
2nd Thursday 11:00am Lloyd Silver Saints
3rd Thursday 5:30pm W W Diners
(Widows/Widowers)
3rd Friday 6:00pm Brotherhood

TRANSFORMING LIFE CHURCH ASSEMBLY OF GOD

1206 Springfield Road • Lloyd • 997-TLC7 (8527)
Pastors Tim and Beverly Buchholtz
www.TransformingLifeChurch.com

Sunday..... 10:30 AM
Sunday Morning Celebration
Children's Church
Wednesday.....7:00 PM

Adult Bible Study
TLC Kid's Club
Ascend Youth Group

* Connect Groups - 2nd & 4th Sunday Evenings of the month

Classifieds

**Deadline for
Wednesday's Paper
3 p.m. on Mon.**

**Deadline for
Friday's Paper
3 p.m. on Wed.**

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Positions available at North Florida Community College, Madison FL: **Associate Dean of Economic Development and Technical Programs, Dir. of Resource Development; Coordinator of Recruitment; Academic Case Manager; Programmer/Data Retrieval Manager.** See nfcc.edu for details. 8/1-8/31.c

Help needed on horse farm. Must have some experience with horses and good references. Call 229-403-4554 8/3-17.c

New Leaf Farms in Lamont, FL looking for experienced crew chief with references. Starting pay \$12.-15.00 an hour, and also hiring laborers. Call 850-997-8188 8/10-22

YARD SALE

Yard Sale Saturday at Snapp Happy Farm on 3366 N. Salt. Rd. 8am-12pm Dishes, Wheelchair (Fair), children's toys, Lg Pet Kennels, and much more. Furever Cats big & small. Canceled if rain, Call for info 850-997-3392 8/15,17

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2 BR /2 BA Mobile Home at Monticello Meadows on South Jefferson St. Call 850-997-3890 5/11.rtn.c

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that **Jefferson County Board of County Commissioners**, the holder/s of the following Tax Sale Certificate has filed said Tax Certificate for the Tax Deed to be issued thereon. The Certificate Number and year of issuance, the Description of the property, and the Name in which it is assessed as follows:

File Number: 18-000028-TD

Certificate Number: 6 Year of Issuance: 2014

Description of Property 00-00-00-0210-0000-0112

Lot 45 x 50 Ft in N ½ of E ½ Lot 11 Barwicks Add
ORB 13 PG 186

Site Address: PARRISH STREET

Name in which assessed: ROOSEVELT AND CLARA BARNHART

All of said property being in the County of Jefferson, State of Florida. **This property when sold may be subject to the current year taxes.**

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Jefferson County Courthouse, North Steps on **September 20, 2018 at 11:00 A.M.**

Tim Sanders
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Jefferson County, FL

BY: Sherry Sears, Deputy Clerk 8/15,22,29, 9/5

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR JEFFERSON
COUNTY, FLORIDA
Case No: 2018-78-CA

JON PATRICK MCGEE,
Plaintiff,

Vs
JAMES HENDERSON GIBSON, III
Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS GIVEN that, pursuant to Plaintiff's Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the above-captioned action, I will sell the property situated in Jefferson County, Florida, described as follows, to wit:

Parcel # 30-2s-3E-000-0021-0000

This is the same as was recorded in ORB 554, Page 336 of the Public Records of Jefferson County, Florida.

Commence at a St. Joe Paper Company permanent reference monument marking the Northeast corner of the Southeast Quarter of Section 30, Township 2 South, Range 3 East, Jefferson County Florida, and run thence North 09 degrees 58 minutes 25 seconds West along the North boundary of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of said section 30 a distance of 1340.69 feet to a St. Joe Paper company permanent reference monument marking the Northwest corner of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of said Section 30, thence South 00 degrees 09 minutes 35 seconds west along the West boundary of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter and the West Boundary of the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of said Section 30, a distance of 2348.13 feet to a St. Joe Paper Company permanent reference monument for the Point of Beginning. From said Point of Beginning, run thence North 80 degrees 37 minutes 49 seconds East 1016.69 feet to a concrete monument, thence North 15 degrees 09 minutes 15 seconds West along a fence line 300.15 feet to a concrete monument, thence South 80 degrees 49 minutes 52 seconds West along a fence line 296.85 feet to a concrete monument, thence South 64 degrees 48 minutes West along a fence line 179.20 feet to a concrete monument, thence South 57 degrees 44 minutes West along a fence line 38.66 feet to a concrete monument, thence South 54 degrees 32 minutes 36 seconds West along a fence line 536.09 feet to a Point of Beginning, containing 4.733 acres, more or less.

Subject, however, to restrictions, reservations or easements of records, if any.

at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, at the North door of the Courthouse in Monticello, Jefferson County, Florida at 11:00 a.m. on the 30th day of August, 2018.

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
By: Sherry Sears
Deputy Clerk 8/15,22

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that **Jefferson County Board of County Commissioners**, the holder/s of the following Tax Sale Certificate has filed said Tax Certificate for the Tax Deed to be issued thereon. The Certificate Number and year of issuance, the Description of the property, and the Name in which it is assessed as follows:

File Number: 18-000027-TD

Certificate Number: 45 Year of Issuance: 2014

Description of Property: 00-00-00-0250-0000-0112
Pt of Lot 11 Dilworths Add
ORB 154 PG 19

Site Address: 420 Martin Luther King Jr Ave

Name in which assessed: Mary Alice Thompson

All of said property being in the County of Jefferson, State of Florida. **This property when sold may be subject to the current year taxes.**

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Jefferson County Courthouse, North Steps on **September 18, 2018 at 11:00 A.M.**

Tim Sanders
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Jefferson County, FL

BY: Sherry Sears, Deputy Clerk 8/15,22,29, 9/5

NOTICE OF MERGER APPLICATION

Notice is given that application has been made to the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Southern District Office, 500 North Akard Street, Suite 1600, Dallas TX 75201, for consent to merge

Farmers & Merchants Bank
Monticello, FL

into

The First, A National Banking Association
Hattiesburg, MS

It is contemplated that the main offices and all branch offices of the above-named banks will continue to operate.

This notice is published pursuant to 12 USC 1828(c) and 12 CFR 5. Anyone may submit written comments on this application on or before September 12 2018 to: Director for District Licensing, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Southern District Office, 500 North Akard Street, Suite 1600, Dallas TX 75201 or SO.Licensing@occ.treas.gov.

The public file is available for inspection in the OCC Southern District Office during regular business hours. Written requests for a copy of the public file on the application should be sent to the Director of District Licensing.

August 13, 2018 Farmers & Merchants Bank, Monticello, Florida
The First, A National Banking Association, Hattiesburg,
Mississippi 8/15,22, 9/12

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL
CIRCUIT IN AND FOR JEFFERSON COUNTY, FLORIDA
GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION
CASE NO. 17000174CAAXMX

FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE
ASSOCIATION ("FANNIE MAE"), A
CORPORATION ORGANIZED AND EXISTING
UNDER THE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES
OF AMERICA,
Plaintiff,
vs.

CHERYLA A. HOWARD; WILMINGTON SAVINGS
FUND SOCIETY, FSB, D/B/A CHRISTIANA
TRUST, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY
BUT SOLELY IN ITS CAPACITY AS OWNER
TRUSTEE FOR WF 19 GRANTOR TRUST, et al.
Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated February 13, 2018, and entered in 17000174CAAXMX of the Circuit Court of the SECOND Judicial Circuit in and for Jefferson County, Florida, wherein FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION ("FANNIE MAE"), A CORPORATION ORGANIZED AND EXISTING UNDER THE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA is the Plaintiff and CHERYLA A. HOWARD; WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, D/B/A CHRISTIANA TRUST, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY IN ITS CAPACITY AS OWNER TRUSTEE FOR WF 19 GRANTOR TRUST are the Defendant(s). Kirk Reams as the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the North Door 1 Courthouse Circle, Monticello, FL 32344, at 11:00 AM, on August 23, 2018, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

A 1.72 ACRE PARCEL OF LAND LYING IN SECTION 1, TOWNSHIP 1 NORTH, RANGE 4 EAST, JEFFERSON COUNTY, FLORIDA, BEING A PORTION OF THE WOODS PROPERTY AS DESCRIBED IN THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF JEFFERSON COUNTY IN OFFICIAL RECORD BOOK 178, PAGE 71 AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCE AT A CONCRETE MONUMENT MARKING THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 1, TOWNSHIP 1 NORTH, RANGE 4 EAST, JEFFERSON COUNTY, FLORIDA AND RUN NORTH 00 DEGREES 41 MINUTES 21 SECONDS WEST A DISTANCE OF 1,148.32 FEET TO A POINT ON THE SOUTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF COUNTY ROAD 259, THENCE NORTH 74 DEGREES 35 MINUTES 32 SECONDS EAST, ALONG SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE, A DISTANCE OF 379.91 FEET FOR A POINT OF BEGINNING, THENCE FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING CONTINUE NORTH 74 DEGREES 35 MINUTES 32 SECONDS EAST, ALONG SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE, A DISTANCE OF 42.83 FEET TO A POINT, SAID POINT BEING ON A CURVE CONCAVE TO THE NORTH, THENCE RUN ALONG SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE AND CURVE HAVING A RADIUS OF 1,769.12 FEET, THROUGH A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 04 DEGREES 26 MINUTES 27 SECONDS, FOR AN ARC DISTANCE OF 137.12 FEET, (CHORD OF SAID ARC BEING NORTH 72 DEGREES 35 MINUTES 09 SECONDS EAST 137.08 FEET) TO A POINT ON THE EAST BOUNDARY OF SAID WOODS PROPERTY, AS DESCRIBED IN THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF SAID JEFFERSON COUNTY IN OFFICIAL RECORD BOOK 178, PAGE 71, THENCE LEAVING SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE RUN SOUTH 05 DEGREES 29 MINUTES 12 SECONDS EAST, ALONG THE EAST BOUNDARY OF SAID WOODS PROPERTY, A DISTANCE OF 503.75 FEET TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID WOODS PROPERTY, THENCE SOUTH 75 DEGREES 28 MINUTES 45 SECONDS WEST, ALONG THE SOUTH BOUNDARY OF SAID WOODS PROPERTY, A DISTANCE OF 137.31 FEET TO A POINT, THENCE LEAVING THE SOUTH BOUNDARY OF SAID WOODS PROPERTY, RUN NORTH 06 DEGREES 08 MINUTES 31 SECONDS WEST A DISTANCE OF 284.92 FEET TO A POINT, THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 50 MINUTES 50 SECONDS WEST A DISTANCE OF 20.65 FEET TO A POINT, THENCE NORTH 10 DEGREES 14 MINUTES 54 SECONDS WEST A DISTANCE OF 203.47 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

Property Address: 481 WAUKEENAH HWY MONTICELLO, FL 32344

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

Dated this 29th day of June, 2018.

Tim Sanders
As Clerk of the Court

By: Sherry Sears
As Deputy Clerk

IMPORTANT

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT: If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact: ADA Coordinator; 301 South Monroe Street; Tallahassee, FL 32301; 850.606.4401; at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. 8/8,15

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that **Jefferson County Board of County Commissioners**, the holder/s of the following Tax Sale Certificate has filed said Tax Certificate for the Tax Deed to be issued thereon. The Certificate Number and year of issuance, the Description of the property, and the Name in which it is assessed as follows:

File Number: 18-000029-TD

Certificate Number: 20 Year of Issuance: 2014

Description of Property: 00-00-00-0220-0000-0240

Lot 24 & N 20 FT of Lot 25 Bowmans Add
ORB 627 PG 838 & ORB 630 PG 151

Site Address: MAYS ST

Name in which assessed: CMH HOMES INC
c/o RECOVERY - 803821

All of said property being in the County of Jefferson, State of Florida. **This property when sold may be subject to the current year taxes.**

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Jefferson County Courthouse, North Steps on **September 24, 2018 at 11:00 A.M.**

Tim Sanders
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Jefferson County, FL

BY: Sherry Sears, Deputy Clerk 8/15,22,29, 9/5

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR
JEFFERSON COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
File Number: 18-CP-72

IN RE: ESTATE OF
MALCOLM S. READ,
Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of **MALCOLM S. READ**, deceased, whose date of death was April 30, 2018, is pending in the Circuit Court for Jefferson County, Florida, Probate Division under probate file #18-CP-72, the address of which is 1 Courthouse Circle. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below .

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of the first publication of this notice is August 8, 2018.

Attorney for Personal Representative Personal Representative
Jill G. Denton Amy S. Twieg, a.k.a Amy Read,
165 E. Dogwood Street a.k.a. Amy Sue Read
Monticello, Florida 32344 6347 Pheasant Ln. #54
(850) 997-3503 Middleton, Wisconsin 53562
8/8,15

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR JEFFERSON COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION

FILE NO.: 18000056CPAXMX
DIVISION:

IN RE: ESTATE OF

TYRONE JAMES ANTHONY IVEY, JR.
Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the Estate of Tyrone James Anthony Ivey, Jr., deceased, whose date of death was October 14, 2017, is pending in the Circuit Court for Jefferson County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 1 Court House Circle, Monticello, Florida 32344. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the Decedent and other persons having claims or demands against Decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the Decedent and other persons having claims or demands against Decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this notice is August 15, 2018.

Attorney for Personal Representative: Personal Representative:
Linda Muralt, Esquire Annie Jones/Personal Representative
Florida Bar No.: 0031129 c/o: BENNETT, JACOBS & ADAMS,
lmuralt@bja-law.com P.A.
BENNETT, JACOBS & ADAMS, P.A. Post Office Box 3300
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Tampa, FL 33601
Phone 813-272-1400
Facsimile 866-844-4703 8/15,22

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

FAMILY LAW DIVISION
CASE NO.: 2018-DP-4

IN THE INTEREST OF:

J.A. DOB: 07/17/2002

MINOR CHILD

NOTICE OF ACTION (TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS)

TO: JAMES ATKINSON
16037 Roco County Rd., Tallahassee, Florida 32308

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the State of Florida, Department of Children and Families, has filed a Petition to terminate your parental rights and permanently commit the following child(ren) for adoption: J.A., born on 07/17/2002. A copy of the Petition is on file with the Clerk of the Court. You are hereby commanded to appear on August 28, 2018, at 9:00 a.m., before the Honorable Dawn Caloca-Johnson, Juvenile Division, at the Jefferson County Courthouse, 1 Courthouse Circle, Monticello, Florida 32344, for an ADVISORY HEARING.

FAILURE TO PERSONALLY APPEAR AT THIS ADVISORY HEARING CONSTITUTES CONSENT TO THE TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS OF THIS CHILD (OR CHILDREN). IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR ON THE DATE AND TIME SPECIFIED, YOU MAY LOSE ALL LEGAL RIGHTS AS A PARENT TO THE CHILD OR CHILDREN NAMED IN THIS NOTICE.

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact ADA Coordinator; 301 South Monroe Street, Room 225, Tallahassee, FL 32301; 850-606-4401 at 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

WITNESS my hand as Clerk of said Court and the Seal thereof, this 27th day of July, 2018.

Tim Sanders, as Clerk of Court

By: Lynn Key
As Deputy Clerk 8/1.8,15,22