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School Board

Leasing JES for \$1?

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During the Monday, August 13, regularly scheduled School Board meeting, Reverend Clifford Hill addressed the school board for an update regarding the proposal his church had submitted to lease the Jefferson Elementary School building.

The topic of Rev. Hill's AME church either purchasing or leasing the school was originally brought before the board during the June school board meeting.

Rev. Hill's group had provided a presentation on its hopes for the school, and the school board

had agreed to lease Jefferson Elementary School to Rev. Hill's church for \$1 a year.

However, due to the Jefferson County School District being under the Department of Education's financial oversight, the board cannot accept any bid or proposal without DOE first approving the project.

With that in mind, the school board members had approved Rev. Hill's plan for the elementary school, and had directed School District Attorney Tom Reeves to assist in drawing up a property lease document that would be more likely to receive a favorable response from the Department of Education.

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Lloyd Acres

Train Problems Discussed

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Lloyd Acres residents concerned about the blockage of their neighborhood's only ingress/egress road by trains may be getting some relief to their problem.

Jefferson County Sheriff Mac McNeill reports that he recently spoke to the CSX management and received assurance from the company that the problem was being addressed.

McNeill said the CSX management told him that the company was reworking its schedule to minimize the possibility of train breakdowns during critical daytime hours. Additionally, McNeill said he was given the direct telephone number of the CSX train-master in the event an issue arises.

At the behest of McNeill, Christopher B. Smith, with CSX Corporate Communications, put out the following press release: "CSX has worked closely with Jefferson County officials and community leaders to fully understand their concerns over blocked crossings in the area. As a result of those productive conversations, CSX has provided county leaders and first responders with direct contacts for local CSX personnel should any urgent issues arise. And after a full review of our operations, we've made some adjustments to minimize the impact of our operations. We look forward to keeping an open line of communication with county leaders."

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Governor Scott visits Monticello

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About 80 or so people gathered recently at the Grand Oaks Plantation off the Boston Highway to show support for Gov. Rick Scott in his bid for the U.S. Senate seat against incumbent Bill Nelson.

Scott arrived at the outdoor affairs some 15 minutes late and began immediately mingling with the crowd, visiting with his supporters one-on-one or in small groupings, all the while slowly making his way across the patio to the pavilion where he was to speak.

Wearing boots, blue jeans and his Navy cap, Scott was casual and low-key in his demeanor, and he kept his public remarks to the crowd brief, speaking for some 15 minutes, compared to the half hour or more that he spend visiting individually with supporters.

Scott in his comments praised Sheriff Mac McNeill, who served on his security detail seven years and introduced the Governor. Scott then reminisced about his first election, which he said the pollsters hadn't expected him to win.

"Election night we shook everyone up," Scott said. "We



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Gov. Rick Scott, a candidate for the U.S. Senate, speaks about health reform with Ronnie Walker at the recent meet-and-greet in Jefferson County.

won." He spoke about growing up poor in public housing, the second of five children; about his strong-willed mother and her insistence that he regularly attend church; and his "wonderful" but poor adoptive father. He also touched briefly on his years in the Navy, his long marriage to his wife Anne, and their two daughters and five grandchildren.

Scott then got down to his political message. He touted among his successes as Governor the turning around of the state's economy and creating jobs, reducing crime, and producing

one of the best educational systems in the country.

"So we're kicking everybody's rear," Scott said.

He said if elected he would work to set term limits, give the president a line-item veto, and do away with Obamacare. He also criticized senators, whom he said made annual salaries of \$174,000 and "don't do much work."

Scott urged his supporters to go to the polls and vote.

"Statewide races are not won by landslides," he said. "They are won by less than 100,000 votes. If everybody gets out and votes, we'll win."

Amendment Eight removed from ballot

Rick Patrick, ECB Publishing, Inc.

As a result of a lawsuit filed on behalf of the Florida League of Women Voters, Leon County Circuit Judge John Cooper of the Second Judicial Circuit has ruled that controversial Amendment Eight should be taken off the Nov. 6 ballot. Almost immediately, the State appealed the ruling to the First District Court of Appeals, which then passed the case along to the State Supreme Court. The state's high court agreed to hear the case and instructed attorneys to file briefs in the case.

The suit was filed by the Southern Poverty Law Center on behalf of the League of Women Voters. In their filing with the court, the plaintiff stated the "Revision [eight] is comprised of three distinct, unrelated proposals log-rolled into a single revision, two of which (Proposals 43 and 10) are known to be popular with voters and one of which (Proposal 71) was intentionally drafted to be vague." Proposal 43 calls for placing term limits on school board members, and Proposal 10 would "require the promotion of civic literacy."

Proposal 71 is the part of Amendment Eight that

states: "The school board shall operate, control and supervise all free public schools established by the district school board within the school district and determine the rate of school district taxes within the limits prescribed herein."

Some argue that the phrase "established by the district school board," could open the door to charter schools operating within a school district over which the local school district would have no jurisdiction. Some of these charter schools could be operated by outside or for-profit entities.

According to a report from the Orlando Sentinel, Judge Cooper said that based on the amendment's wording, it was unclear what the amendment would do and the three items in Amendment Eight should not have been bundled together.

The defendant's argument in the Second Judicial Circuit case is that the language is clear and Florida voters should be allowed to vote on the amendment.

It is unclear when the Florida Supreme Court will hear the case or issue a ruling. The amendment was due to be voted on by Florida voters on Tuesday, Nov. 6.

Burglar Arrested

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On Sunday, August 5, Monticello Police Department's Lt. Pitts made contact with a Monticello homeowner who believed her residence had been burglarized.

According to the homeowner, no one was supposed to be living at the residence.

Lt. Pitts obtained permission from the homeowner to enter the residence and after arriving at and entering the house, Lt. Pitts noticed several piles of clothing and paperwork that belonged to Warren Allen, 45, of Monticello.



Warren Allen

Lt. Pitts also found a green, leafy substance in one of the sinks within the home. The substance was piled on top of a yellow envelope that was also addressed to Allen.

After exiting the building, Lt. Pitts observed a black male that fit Allen's description, and after verifying that the man was indeed Allen, Lt. Pitts detained him.

According to the report issued by the MPD, Allen asked Pitts what was going on, and Lt. Pitts informed him that the residence had been broken into and he had discovered items within the building that did not belong to the home's owner.

Allen then informed Lt. Pitts that he had clothing inside the building and he was going to go in and retrieve them.

Lt. Pitts then conducted a pat search of Allen; during the search, Allen informed Lt. Pitts that he had marijuana in his pocket.

Inside Allen's front right pocket, Lt. Pitts discovered 3.0 grams of synthetic cannabinoids. The cannabinoids that had been discovered on the

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Did you know?
The sentence "the quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog" uses every letter in the English alphabet

Weather for this week

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Fri 88° 71°



“Dear Savvy Senior,
My father died several years ago, at the age of 76, from a stomach aneurysm, which now has me wondering. What are my risk factors of getting this, and what can I do to protect myself, as I get older?” —Just turned 60

Dear 60,

Stomach aneurysms, also known as “abdominal aortic aneurysms,” are very dangerous. They also tend to run in families, so having had a parent with this condition makes you much more vulnerable yourself.

An abdominal aortic aneurysm (or AAA) is a weak area in the lower portion of the aorta, which is the major artery that carries blood from the heart to the rest of the body. As blood flows through the aorta, the weak area bulges like a balloon and can burst if it gets too big, causing life-threatening internal bleeding. In fact, nearly 80 percent of AAAs that rupture are fatal, but the good news is that more than nine out of 10 that are detected early are treatable.

Who’s At Risk?

Around 200,000 people are diagnosed with AAAs each year,

but estimates suggest that another two million people may have it but not realize it. The factors that can put you at increased risk are:

Smoking: Ninety percent of people with an AAA smoke or have smoked. This is the number one risk factor and one you can avoid.

Age: Your risk of getting an AAA increases significantly after age 60 in men, and after age 70 in women.

Family history: Having a parent or sibling who has had an AAA can increase your risk to around one in four.

Gender: AAAs are five times more likely in men than in women.

Health factors: Atherosclerosis, also known as hardening of the arteries, high blood pressure and high cholesterol levels also increase your risk.

Detection and Treatment

Because AAAs usually start small and enlarge slowly, they rarely show any symptoms, making them difficult to detect. However, large AAAs can sometimes cause a throbbing or pulsation in the abdomen, or cause abdominal or lower back pain.

The best way to detect an AAA is to get a simple, painless, 10-minute ultrasound screening test. All men over age 65 that have ever smoked, and anyone over 60 with a first-degree relative (father, mother or sibling) who has had an AAA should talk to their doctor getting screened.

You should also know that most health insurance plans cover AAA screenings, as does Medicare to beneficiaries with a family history of AAAs, and to men between the ages of 65 and 75 who have smoked at least 100 cigarettes during their life.

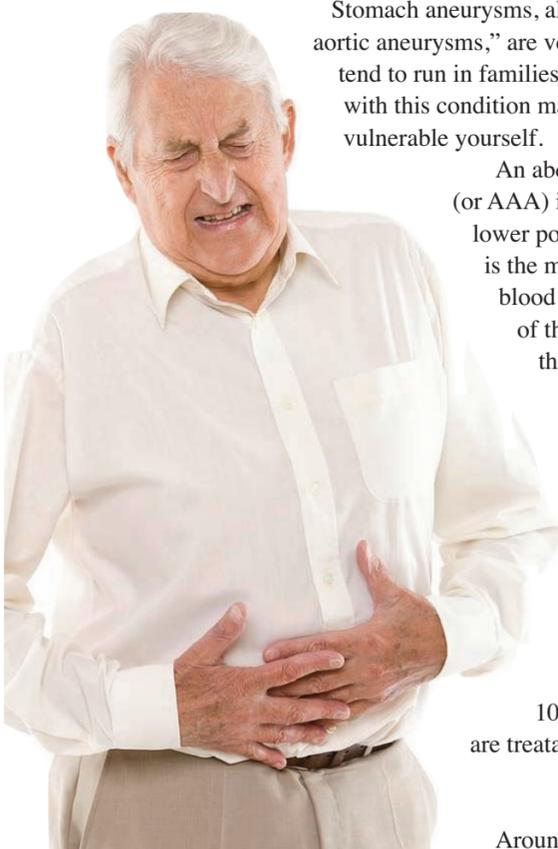
If an AAA is detected during screening, how it’s treated will depend on its size, rate of growth and your general health. If caught in the early stages when the aneurysm is small, it can be monitored and treated with medication. But if it is large or enlarging rapidly, you’ll probably need surgery.

AAA Protection

While some risk factors like your age, gender and family history are uncontrollable, there are a number of things you can do to protect yourself from AAA. For starters, if you smoke, you need to quit — see smokefree.gov or call 1-800-QUIT-NOW for help.

You also need to keep tabs on your blood pressure and cholesterol levels, and if they are high you need to take steps to lower them through diet, exercise and if necessary, medication.

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*.



Is Evolution v. Creationism just a war of words?



I read an article that suggested those of us who believe in creation are merely quibbling over the meaning of the word theory and ignoring reality. Really?

To be honest, there are two very different senses of the word theory that conflict. Evolutionists use theory as “a coherent group of tested general propositions, commonly regarded as correct, that can be used as principles of explanation and prediction for a class of phenomena.”

Creationists on the other hand see the word theory as “a proposed explanation whose status is still conjectural and subject to experimentation, in contrast to well-established propositions that are regarded as reporting matters of actual fact.”

The conflict between the two definitions is clear. There are several underlying hypotheses that must be true for the general theory of evolution to be true. Let’s look into the scientific reality of those hypotheses.

Evolutionists discount the creationist claim that God created life and counter that life began spontaneously on its own. The reality is the whole scientific community is not in possession of a single observable fact about the beginning of life. The National Academy of Science said in one of their publications they have been unable to produce life in the laboratory, and even if they had, they admit they cannot say that is the way life began. The question of how life began has only two possible answers; either God created it, or it began on its own.

Evolutionists claim the diversity of life is the result of billions of beneficial germinal mutations

occurring over billions of years. We know malevolent germinal mutations exist, e.g., albinism, but there is not one example of a known beneficial germinal mutation. Current claims of evolution can be laid at the feet of dominant/recessive gene action based on inherent DNA data. There has not been any new genetic information produced by beneficial germinal mutations.

Evolutionists say humans share a strong genetic resemblance in their DNA with our simian cousins suggesting a common ancestor. While all the ape species share genetic similarities they evidently are not reproductively compatible. If we are so strongly related to suggest common ancestry would that not suggest reproductive compatibility to ensure continued evolution? Where is that body of evidence?

Evolutionists tells us comparative anatomy, the idea most creatures share common anatomical similarities such as a skeletal system, and embryonics, the idea that all creatures share similarities in their formative stages, are evidence we share common ancestry. Those are assumptions that prove nothing about evolution.

It is these kinds of leaps in logic that make me feel comfortable taking a leap in faith. If all evolutionists have are theories about the facts, then evolution is more a matter of faith than it is science. And when it comes to faith I will stick with the Scriptures.

Paul warned Timothy “keep that which is committed to thy trust, avoiding...oppositions of science falsely so called; which some professing have erred concerning the faith,” 1 Timothy 6:20-21 (KJV). That sounds reasonable.

Pictures from the PAST



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Partridge Hotel - Monticello, Florida - 1910's

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The Jefferson County School Board has tentatively adopted a budget for fiscal year 2018-2019. A public hearing to make a FINAL DECISION on the budget AND TAXES will be held on:

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As it had been over a month since the board reached that agreement with Rev. Hill, he returned to the school board to seek information on the next step and how his group could assist in obtaining the school.

“What can we do to move forward?” asked Rev. Hill, before stressing that there will be an annual conference for AME churches in early September, and he had hoped to present a favorable answer during the gathering of 133 churches and various church trustees at the conference.

Chairperson Sandra Saunders thanked Rev. Hill for returning and bringing the subject back up, as she had been communicating with Rev. Hill and Attorney Reeves on what process they need to follow and how this subject should be broached with DOE.

“I knew you guys were looking for what else you need to put into your presentation so that when it goes over to the Department of Education...you can have a good, sound presentation,” said Saunders.

For the sake of the board and the audience of the meeting, Saunders shared that Rev. Hill's group had already provided an outlined plan for the purpose of the facility as well as made financial agreements.

“The issue is that, what we are doing here is kinda new,” said Attorney Reeves. “I've been a school board attorney now for a long time and this is different. This district is under financial oversight by the Department of Education, so this district doesn't have the freedom that a lot of other districts do, as far as disposing of surplus property.”

Reeves added: “We had talked about doing a long-term lease, I still think that's the best way to do it and I think the best way to handle that is going to be to take the presentation that you've given us previously as well as any other specifics that you can add – attach that to the lease, that this is what you intend to do with the property and showing all the benefits to the county and to the schoolchildren.”

With the school board's main focus being on the impact that the facilities and programs that Rev. Hill's group would bring unto the elementary school, DOE would be more likely to approve a proposing that spoke heavily of the benefits it would give to Jefferson County's children.

“Take that, and present that to the DOE,

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County commissioners, meanwhile, were scheduled to discuss the issue again on Thursday, Sept. 6, at 6 p.m.

In the last two months alone, the neighborhood's only road has been blocked

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sink within the residence weighed 2.25 grams.

The homeowner decided to press charges, and after being read his Miranda

and I think that will have a better shot at getting approved by DOE. If they don't approve it, we can't do it – it doesn't matter what the goodwill of this board is,” added Reeves.

Reeves also said that he was already attempting to draft up a favorable lease agreement, and provided a time of expected completion of said agreement to Rev. Hill and the board.

However, Superintendent Marianne Arbulu warned that DOE is slow to process approvals, and that she had documents waiting for DOE approval that were three weeks old; obtaining approval for the lease agreement for Rev. Hill's church could take upwards of five weeks – which would far surpass the AME church conference where Rev. Hill hoped to formerly announce the approved proposal.

“We have people on stand-by,” Rev. Hill said, mentioning that the people were ready to assist in finishing this process as quickly as possible in order to have this completed in time for the conference. Attorney Reeves had other concerns, however. The school board had agreed to a \$1 a year lease, and from DOE's point of view, that would not be beneficial to Jefferson County.

“I think the big thing with DOE is, they are looking at it through financial oversight. They are looking at the number of dollars generated. I think, from what I understand, they are wanting us to take surplus property, they are wanting us to sell that property and generate dollars for the education of the children,” said Reeves. “If you are going to ask DOE to approve this, we've got to show them how the programs that this property will be used for will benefit the children of Jefferson County as much as the money that would be generated.”

Chairperson Saunders had an optimistic outlook, however, and stated that she had found Rev. Hill's original presentation to be very clear on the benefits it would provide, and all that would be needed would be to include an expanded look at said programs within the proposal packet sent to the DOE. At this point, Board member Shirley Washington spoke up.

“Attorney [Reeves], I keep hearing you say 'DOE'. We are the policy makers. It's not that it depends on DOE, it depends on this board,” said Washington.

According to Washington's statements, she said that had she known Rev. Hill was going to be in attendance that night, she would've brought a copy of the board

three times during daytime hours, with the blockages lasting anywhere from several hours to more than 10 in one instance.

About 60 to 70 houses are affected by the blockages, with the residents losing work or school time during the closures. Additionally, the residents worry should an emergency arise during a blockage, in which

Rights, Allen stated that he had been illegally living within the residence for some time.

Dispatch also verified that Allen already had an active petty theft warrant that was outstanding from Leon County.

Following his arrest, Allen was

member policy to show that the board was in charge – not DOE. “It spells out exactly what we can do with our property. I believe in sticking closely to the policies that we have adopted,” added Washington. “As far as listening to DOE, I think that's the problem now – we don't stand on our own independency.”

After Washington's comments, Chairperson Saunders stated that she wasn't even sure why the board was still under emergency financial oversight, since it had taken place while the district still had schools and the funds at the district were not capable of supporting the school completely.

“We're not running the school district, per se, as far as the day-to-day,” said Saunders.

Reeves informed the board that it would take 'at least a year' of financial reporting for the DOE to begin looking at possibly removing the oversight.

“One quirk in the law is that you have very definite criteria for putting you into financial oversight, but you don't have very definite criteria to get you out,” Reeves stated.

Board member Charles Boland also had concerns, as he felt that the board could be possibly misleading the church and providing a sense of false hope.

“Shouldn't we present this to DOE before we start making any actions?” asked Boland. “I think we are kinda jumping the gun by misleading this church group before presenting this to DOE.”

Saunders stated that she felt that Rev. Hill understood the process, and didn't see how any misleading could have taken place – and further, the board had voted in previous meetings to take this direction, and they were past the point of making another decision.

In conclusion, Superintendent Arbulu stressed the importance of getting the lease agreement and proposal to DOE as quickly as possible.

“I think the sooner that we get the lease agreement and the proposal, the way it is, up to the DOE, the better,” said Arbulu.

According to Rev. Hill, the church was currently blocked in a place where they wanted to move forward in securing programs, but where stuck behind the lack of the approved proposal.

“If we move forward and don't have the facility, we are moving in vain,” said Rev. Hill.

case emergency vehicles would be unable to access the neighborhood.

Commissioners have discussed the possibility of providing the neighborhood with an alternative route in the event the one road becomes blocked. So far, however, officials have been unable to come up with a viable solution.

transported to the Jefferson County Jail without further incident.

Along with the warrant for his arrest, Allen was arrested on charges of possession of synthetic cannabinoids and burglary of an unoccupied dwelling – unarmed.

Alachua County man sentenced to 327 months in prison

Story Submitted

Arthur Larange Lee Jr., 35, of Gainesville, Florida, was sentenced yesterday in the U.S. District Court in Gainesville to 327 months in prison for sex trafficking of an adult, and 60 months each for two counts of use of interstate commerce to commit prostitution. Each count is to be served concurrently. Lee was convicted following a jury trial on February 7. The sentence was announced by Christopher P. Canova, United States Attorney for the Northern District of Florida.

Lee abducted a young woman from the parking lot of a Gainesville church where she was attending a Narcotics Anonymous meeting. After taking the victim's phone, he ordered her to drive to a nearby hotel where he took photographs of her for use in a Backpage.com advertisement.

Lee told the victim he would “break her in,” after which he

raped her, burned her, and committed other acts of violence against her.

Lee then fed the victim small amounts of cocaine and instructed her that she had to pay off her “debt.” Over the span of two days, Lee forced and coerced the victim to engage in sexual acts with numerous “johns.” He kept all the money derived from the sex acts that took place at local hotels and private residences.

While at one hotel, the victim texted a “john” who agreed to help her escape by picking her up outside the hotel. The victim then fled with Lee's phone and called law enforcement officers.

Responding officers were able to quickly locate and arrest Lee, who was still inside the hotel.

U.S. Attorney Canova said: “This prison sentence sends a strong message to those who would enslave vulnerable people for profit using violent and

manipulative tactics to keep their victims silent. We are working as a team in Northern Florida and throughout the country to fight the evil of human trafficking and bring healing and hope to the survivors. Some of the many partners involved are prosecutors, law enforcement agencies, victim services, local coalitions, and community members.”

Sheriff Sadie Darnell said: “Human trafficking is a horrible crime which causes life-long harm to the victim survivor(s). I applaud the tenacious work by our detectives and the cooperation with the U.S. Attorney in bringing justice to this case. We will continue to work tirelessly to stop this in Alachua County.”

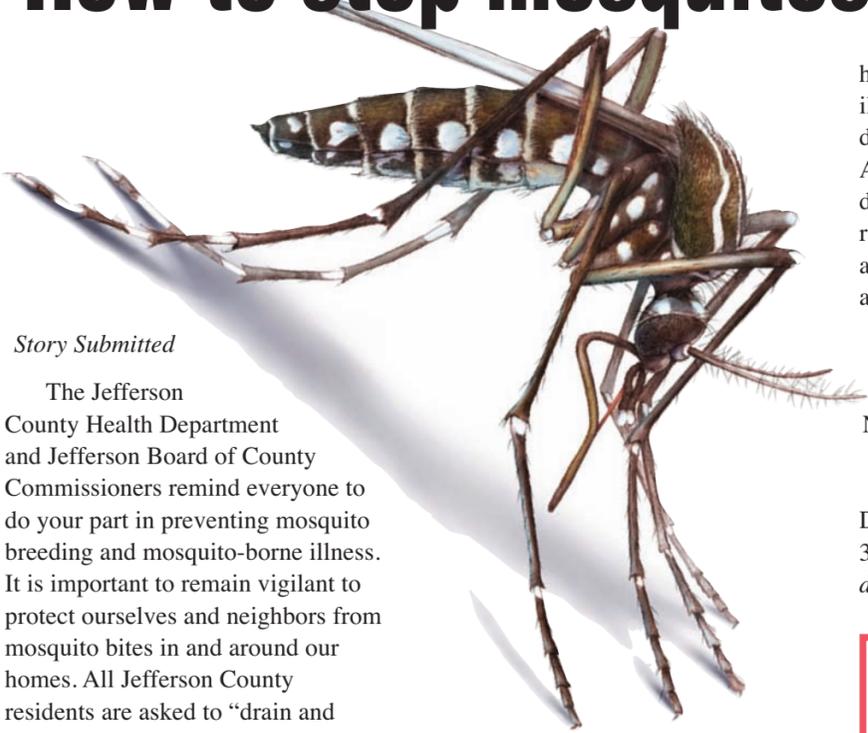
“The trafficking of any person is a heinous crime that is considered modern-day slavery,” said Charles P. Spencer, Special Agent in Charge of the FBI Jacksonville Division. “The FBI and our law enforcement partners

are on the front lines of the fight against sex trafficking, and are working to bring hope to victims. As this case demonstrates, we encourage survivors to come forward and engage with law enforcement so we can hold accountable those responsible.”

The case was investigated by the Alachua County Sheriff's Office and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Frank Williams.

The United States Attorney's Office for the Northern District of Florida is one of 94 offices that serve as the nation's principal litigators under the direction of the Attorney General. To access public court documents online, please visit the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Florida website. For more information about the United States Attorney's Office, Northern District of Florida, visit <http://www.justice.gov/usao/fln/index.html>.

How to stop mosquitos and protect yourself



Story Submitted

The Jefferson County Health Department and Jefferson Board of County Commissioners remind everyone to do your part in preventing mosquito breeding and mosquito-borne illness. It is important to remain vigilant to protect ourselves and neighbors from mosquito bites in and around our homes. All Jefferson County residents are asked to “drain and cover” to help keep our families and neighbors safe; it only takes a bottle cap of water for some mosquitoes to breed and multiply.

Drain standing water: Every week, drain standing water around buildings and homes. Drain flower pots, pet bowls, buckets, garbage cans, toys, etc.

Cover your skin: Wear long-sleeved shirts, pants, socks and shoes if you must be outside when mosquitoes are active. Use insect repellents approved by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). When used as directed, EPA registered insect repellants are proven safe and effective, even for pregnant women according to the Centers for Disease Control and Protection. Use mosquito netting to protect children younger than two months old.

Cover doors and windows with screens: Keep mosquitos outside by keeping screens on all windows. Keep doors and windows closed and use air conditioning if possible.

Two of the more common mosquito born illnesses in humans are West Nile Virus and Zika. Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE) is another mosquito born illness that has been diagnosed locally in horses in previous years, but is rare in humans. Individuals over 60 years of age and immunosuppressed patients are at greatest risk for sever disease. West Nile Virus, Zika and Eastern Equine Encephalitis are transmitted to humans primarily through the bites of infected mosquitoes. West Nile symptoms include fever, headache, rash, gastrointestinal symptoms. Zika is transmitted to humans through bites of infected mosquitoes and/or sexual transmission. Zika symptoms include fever, headache, rash, joint pain, and red eyes. Most persons infected with EEE have no apparent illness. Severe cases of EEE (involving encephalitis, an inflammation of the brain) begin with the sudden onset of headache,

high fever, chills, and vomiting. The illness may then progress into disorientation, seizures, or coma. Affected horses may have fever, droopy eyes and lips, elevated heart rate, decreased appetite, seizures, and erratic behavior. EEE is almost always fatal in equines.

Contact the Jefferson County Health Department by the next business day if you suspect West Nile virus or Zika infection.

Resources:

Jefferson County Health Department phone number: (850) 342-0170. Visit floridahealth.gov/diseases-and-conditions/mosquito-

borne-diseases/index.html for more information.

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: cdc.gov/westnile/index.html

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NOTICE TO BUSINESSES IN THE CITY OF MONTICELLO

The City of Monticello requires all businesses located within the City to obtain a Business Tax Receipt. Receipts are valid for each fiscal year beginning on October 1 and expiring on September 30.

Who is required to pay a business tax?

- Are you opening or operating a business location in the City which requires a state license or certification?
 - Do you use your home address in the city limits for your business?
 - Do you perform a profession out of a
- If you answered yes to any of these questions, you need to have a Local Business Tax Receipt.**

A tax receipt for an office does not cover professionals working in that office. Each person engaged in an occupation requiring a state license must apply for an individual Business Tax Receipt. For businesses and professions regulated by the State of Florida, a copy of the state license should be submitted with the Application for Business Tax Receipt.

Who is exempt from paying the business tax?

Charitable, educational and religious institutions, individual persons selling self-grown farm products, certain disabled, honorably-discharged veterans and their un-remarried widow(er)s are exempt from paying the tax. Other exemptions authorized under state law may apply.

Can I open a business anywhere in the City?

Before opening a business, contact City Hall at 850/342-0292 to ensure the business is allowed in that location.

How do I apply for a Business Tax Receipt?

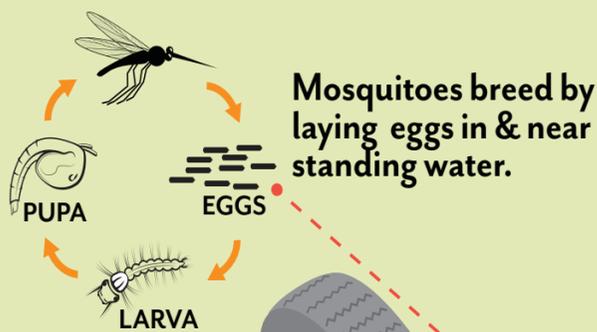
Applications are available on-line at www.cityofmonticello.us/business-tax-program or at City Hall. Completed applications, with payment, should be submitted by mail or in person to:

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For questions regarding the business tax program, contact City Clerk Emily Anderson at (850) 342-0292.



Stop mosquitoes from breeding



At your house or business: Put away items that are outside and not being used because they could hold standing water.

In your garden: Keep flower pots and saucers free of standing water. Some plants, such as bromeliads, hold water in their leaves—flush out water-holding plants with your hose once a week.



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- birdbaths
- trash, trash containers and recycling bins
- boat or car covers
- roof gutters
- coolers
- pet dishes

ECB Publishing, Inc. wins awards



ECB Publishing, Inc. Photo, August 13, 2018

During this year's Florida Press Awards, **ECB Publishing, Inc.** returned home from Orlando with two third place awards. Pictured, from left to right, are: Emerald G. Parsons, publisher; Lazaro Aleman, senior staff reporter; Debbie Snapp, reporter; Carl Painter, graphic design and layout; Kate Frizzell, graphic and ad design; Lois Revels, classified and legals bookkeeper; and Ashley Hunter, staff reporter.

Ashley Hunter
ECB Publishing, Inc.

At this year's Florida Media Conference, **ECB Publishing, Inc.**, publisher of the Monticello News and Jefferson County Journal, was recognized during the Florida Press Association's Weekly Newspaper Awards Banquet on Friday, August 10.

The awards ceremony is a highlight of the conference, where thousands of entries from weekly newspapers around the state of Florida are evaluated by a panel of judges, editors and writers from around the United States.

The top three entries in each category are appropriately awarded and recognized

for their dedication to news reporting and for their above-average commitment to their trade.

Entry categories include graphic design, photography, sports reporting, educational reporting, and many others.

This year, **ECB Publishing, Inc.** returned home with two awards in hand: a third-place award for Informational Graphic Design (Monticello News) and another third-place award for Front Page Makeup (Jefferson County Journal).

"I am so proud of everyone on our staff. When someone wins an award like this, it's not just one person, but a reflection of the hard work of the entire team," said Emerald Greene Parsons, **ECB Publishing, Inc.** publisher and editor. "We

are proud of the product we put on the street every week. It's nice when the rest of the state recognizes it as well."

The entire staff at **ECB Publishing, Inc.** would like to thank the citizens of Jefferson County and our readers for the telephone calls, letters, story ideas and Letters To The Editor, that we receive. We try our best, as your local hometown newspapers, to serve the public in the best way we can. We try to stay abreast of the local news and happenings so that we may pass that same information on to you.

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to serve you and this county; and here is to another award-winning year of reporting the unbiased news for Jefferson County's citizens.

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For the Animals...

Sheriff's Office announces new training for deputies at Adoption Day

Ashley Hunter, *ECB Publishing, Inc.*

On Saturday, August 25, Jefferson County Humane Society's Wolf Creek Pet Adoption Center, the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office and Rainbows Edge, Inc. joined hands and held an Adoption Day at the Monticello Tractor Supply store, located in Monticello on S. Jefferson St.

The event had three purposes: it provided an adoption opportunity for a select few of the adoption center's cats and dogs, served as a fundraiser for the non-profit Rainbows Edge, and was a platform for the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office to announce an upcoming training opportunity for their deputies. The event began at 10 a.m. and lasted until approximately 2 p.m.

From 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Jefferson County 4-H's Working Soldiers sold a pizza lunch, with each slice costing two dollars; all proceeds went to Rainbows Edge in order to help the volunteer-dependent organization care for and rescue abused or neglected horses.

Throughout the day, participants purchased raffle tickets in the hopes of winning meals to local restaurants, services from local businesses or special family outings.

In all, \$890 was raised throughout the day for Rainbows Edge.

Of the four dogs brought to the Adoption Day event by Wolf Creek, one – a loving black lab named Hoyt – found a forever home and left with his new family.

At noon, Sheriff Mac McNeill addressed the crowd who had gathered to support the event, and announced new training that the deputies at JCSO will be acquiring in order to better help the men and women at JCSO handle animal-related (especially abuse centered) emergency calls.

"It's been brought to my attention through the investigations we do regarding animal cruelty and animal abuse that we are lacking in that area," said Sheriff McNeill. "We get so stuck on the human element that we sometime forget about the animals in our job."

Organizing the first part of the class will be Kate MacFall, the Florida Director of the Humane Society of the U.S. and the training will focus of teaching the

deputies how to handle cruelty and neglect related cases.

The second part of the class will be instructed by Rainbows Edge's director, Roxanne Spear and will instruct deputies on how to retrieve and remove horses from harmful homes and environments.

"It teaches them how to investigate animal neglect and cruelty, and actually win cases," said Spear. "If there's real abuse, they need to know how to investigate that. But that's not in their classes to become a deputy."

In addition to Jefferson County, Sheriff McNeill advised that both Taylor and Madison's sheriff's offices will be sending deputies to the training classes as well.

"We're really excited about this, I think it will give our deputies another tool to put in their toolbox in order to do a proper investigation that is due to the animals," said Sheriff McNeill.

While this training will help deputies be better equipped to handle these calls, it is also a way to ensure that deputies know how to safely interact with an abused or neglected animal and prevent injury to themselves or the distressed animal.

Both Sheriff McNeill and Roxanne Spear thanked everyone for coming out and attending the event, with Spear especially voicing her gratitude to the local people and business owners of Monticello for their support in donating raffle goods.

"95 percent of the donations for the raffle came from Monticello people," said Spear. "Tons of people have come down and shown their support, they really have."

Rainbows Edge is a 501c3 organization that provides rescue horses with a safe place to reside as well as serving as an adoption agency for rehabilitated horses. Rainbows Edge has been involved in a variety of projects to assist equine owners who are under financial stress, such as a

recent undertaking to provide feed to the displaced horses and owners who were victims of the Franklin County fire this year.

Learn more about Rainbows Edge by visiting their Facebook page at: [Facebook.com/Rainbows-Edge-Training-Stable](https://www.facebook.com/Rainbows-Edge-Training-Stable).



ECB Publishing, Inc. Photo By Ashley Hunter, August 25, 2018
Jefferson County's Sheriff Mac McNeill (left) provided an announcement from the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office regarding new training that the JCSO will be providing for their deputies in order to better prepare the deputies for handling animal related emergency calls. Roxanne Spear (right) from Rainbows Edge, Inc. orchestrated the event.



ECB Publishing, Inc. Photo By Ashley Hunter, August 25, 2018
The staff at the Wolf Creek Pet Adoption Center were present at the Adoption Day event at Tractor Supply on Saturday, August 25. With them, the staff brought a few cats and dogs from the adoption center who were ready to go home with a new family. Pictured, from left to right, are: Brandon Norman, Heather Ainsley, and Ben Abbott.



ECB Publishing, Inc. Photo By Ashley Hunter, August 25, 2018
The Jefferson County 4-H's Working Soldiers Group was out in force during the Wolf Creek center's adoption day and Rainbow's Edge fundraiser event. The 4-H'ers assisted by selling slices of pizza for two dollars a slice. Pictured, from left to right, are: London White, Hailey Holmes and Kalyn Coates.

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Lylian Tsai, Kim Fincher, Scott 'Razor' Overstreet, owner and director of Razor Performance Riding, Adriana and Glaycon Ferreira come to Monticello for specialized motorcycle training.

Razor Performance Riders train in Monticello

Debbie Snapp
ECB Publishing, Inc.

Razor Performance Riding is dedicated to the international development of enhancing people's knowledge in motorcycle maneuvering and traffic safety by introducing advanced riding techniques. Its students focus on 'Rapid Assessment Thought Processing' assessments to avoid hazards.

Jefferson County resident Scott 'Razor' Overstreet is the owner and director of Razor Performance Riding, along with Kim Fincher.

Razor Performance Riding participants and riders practice at the Jefferson County Kennel Club at times throughout the year, usually before a show or prior to the start of a Motorcycle Rodeo. The skill shown by these talented riders can only be

achieved with incredible training and dedication.

Three riders flew into Orlando from Brazil recently, then drove their Harley motorcycles to Monticello for the specialized training at Razor Performance Riding and instructors Overstreet and Fincher.

Together they are practicing and preparing for the 115th Anniversary of Harley Davidson Motorcycles, a world cup competition that takes place every five years in Milwaukee, WI. Harley-Davidson's 115th Anniversary Milwaukee Celebration takes place over Labor Day weekend and includes parties, shows, parades, tours, racing and more. New venues include first-ever motorcycle racing and a heavy dose of moto-culture.

For more information about Razor Performance Riding contact Overstreet at (850) 510-7648 or info@razorperformanceriding.com.



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Lylian Tsai, Kim Fincher, Scott 'Razor' Overstreet, owner and director of Razor Performance Riding, Glaycon and Adriana Ferreira preparing for the 115th Anniversary of Harley Davidson Motorcycles, a world cup competition that takes place every five years in Milwaukee, WI.

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Angela Gray, CFA
Property Appraiser

Cub Scouts seeking recruits

Story Submitted

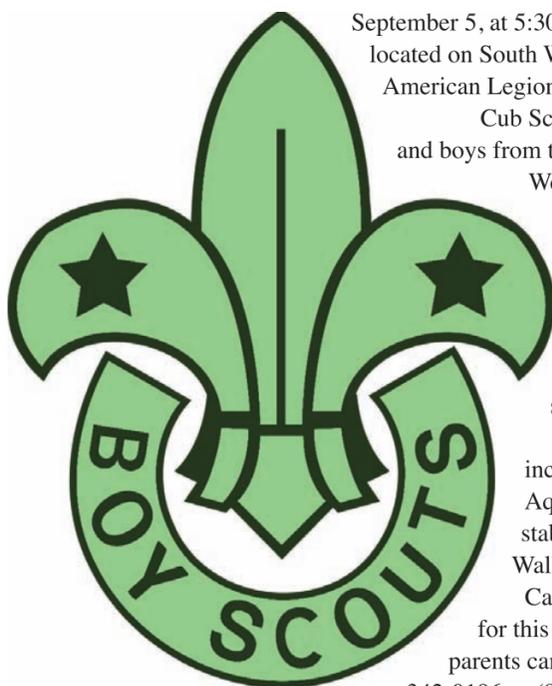
Last year, Cub Scout Pack 803 was re-established after almost 35 years. The sponsoring organization is the Monticello Kiwanis Club.

The Pack will meet on Wednesday night, September 5, at 5:30 p.m., in the Eagles Nest, located on South Water Street, adjacent to the American Legion Post.

Cub Scouting is open to all girls and boys from the ages of six to ten. The Wednesday night meeting will be open to all who are interested, and there will be a question and answer session, in addition to the already scheduled meeting for returning scouts.

Last years' activities included visiting the Albany Aquarium, seeing a horse stable, and a trip to Camp Wallwood to shoot BB guns.

Camping activities are planned for this coming year. Any interested parents can call Phil Smith at (850) 342-0196 or (850) 509-1873.



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Adult Bible Study-Wednesday.....6:30-7:30 PM
Men's Breakfast.....2nd Saturday 8:00 AM

From the Pulpit... Gaining Wisdom

We are told in Scripture that the person who finds wisdom gains something more valuable than silver or gold and more

**Pastor John Hicks**
First United Methodist Church

precious than rubies. (Proverbs 3:13-15) We are also told that if we lack wisdom, we can ask God for it, and we will get it. (James 1:5) Have you asked for yours?

A businessman, a preacher, and a youth with a backpack were passengers in an airplane that developed engine trouble. The pilot announced that they were going down and grabbed one of three parachutes and jumped. The businessman pushed the others aside, grabbed one and departed with, "I'm the smartest person on Wall Street, I need a parachute." The preacher looked at the youth and said, "Son, you go ahead and take the last parachute." The youth began to laugh and said, "Don't worry about it Padre. We can both have a parachute. The smartest man

on Wall Street just jumped with my backpack!"

We can be the smartest person in the world and still miss the boat (or the parachute!). To have knowledge is not to have wisdom. To know how to use knowledge is to have wisdom.

As a pastor, I receive many gems of knowledge which cry out to be shared. Those who are wise among us are the ones who know how to best use (or not to use!) the knowledge shared.

Here are some of this week's gems: Mark Twain said if you eat a frog first thing in the morning that will probably be the worst thing you do all day. So, if we start our day by tackling an important task, especially if it's a task we aren't crazy about, then the worst will be behind us, and we realize a sense of freedom. And then there's the question, "Is the glass half full, or half empty?" The answer depends on whether you're pouring or drinking. Other words of wisdom: Remember, Chunky is a candy bar. Never use it as a reference to your wife. If your kids are

giving you a headache, follow the directions on the aspirin bottle, especially the part that states, "keep away from children."

Always keep your words soft and sweet, just in case you have to eat them. But should you forget, never put both feet in your mouth at the same time, because then you won't have a leg to stand on.

There would be fewer problems with people if they had to chop wood to power their cell phones. Whoever came up with the phrase to "sleep like a baby" probably didn't have one. More often than not, it's the second mouse that gets the cheese.

The easy way is not always the best way. A truly happy person is one who can enjoy the scenery on a detour.

To say no to someone is not wrong. We could learn a lot from crayons--some are sharp, some are pretty, some are dull, and some have weird names, but they all have to live in the same box. Life is not fair, but God is good. Together, we can all make it through.

Springfield AME Church congregation honors Reverend

Debbie Snapp
ECB Publishing, Inc.

The Springfield African Methodist Episcopal Church congregation celebrated Rev. Gloria A. Cox on Sunday, August 19 with a special Pastor's Appreciation Service.

The afternoon program was very well attended with many guests from the Jefferson County community in attendance.

Rev. Cox has served Springfield AME Church as its pastor since March 2017 and she continues to serve on the ministerial staff at her home church, Saint Phillip AME, with its pastor, Rev. J.W. Tisdale.

Rev. Cox was reared in Monticello by her parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. Raleigh R. Cox. She attended Howard Academy High School, class of 1970, and received her B.S. from Western Governors University in Business Administrations and Marketing Management. She is currently seeking her Master's from Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Rev. Cox is employed by the Jefferson Somerset K-12 Academy. She is a member of the 11th Episcopal District AME annual Conference, the Jefferson County Lions Club, SOARS, and 4H Advisory Committee. She is currently a candidate for City Council Group 2 in the November election.

**Rev. Gloria Cox**

Memorial M.B. Church Missionaries Annual Prayer Breakfast

The Missionary Ministry of the Memorial M.B. Church hosted their annual Prayer Breakfast on Saturday, September 1, 2018.

Minister LaShon Denson of Madison, Florida was the guest speaker on this special program.

For additional information, please contact Reverend Joretha Sloan at (850) 997-2705. Reverend Dr. J. B. Duval, pastor.

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- Author Unknown

Local churches travel together to Alabama and Tennessee



Photo Submitted

While in Birmingham, AL, Elizabeth and Union Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church members and their guests made a visit to the 16th Baptist Church.

Debbie Snapp,
ECB Publishing, Inc.

Elizabeth and Union Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church members and their guests traveled together to Birmingham, AL, and Memphis, TN on June 13-17.

This was the eighth trip made by these two church groups in the last nine years with Astro Travel & Tours Charter Bus providing the transportation.

According to Trip Coordinator Leman Ulee, the group stayed in Birmingham for two nights and two nights in Memphis, before returning home to Monticello.

While in Birmingham, the group made visits to the 16th Baptist Church, the Birmingham Civil Rights Institute, Kelly Ingram Park, Vulcan Park and Museum and several other lesser known attractions.

During their stay in Memphis the group visited the National Civil Rights Museum at the Lorraine Motel, and the assassination site of Dr. Martin

Luther King, Jr. They also visited Graceland, the home of Elvis Presley, Beal Street and other sites and attractions.

Ulee reports the church 'tourists' "really enjoyed themselves and had a wonderful time." They are looking forward to next year's trip, as they do every year. He adds that "its a beautiful thing to see members come together as one great family unit." As a group, it allows them to visit places they wouldn't normally visit. It's an educational trip for the adults as well as kids.

"Thank you to all who participate every year," he says. "And to the friends and other churches for joining in our efforts to make these trips enjoyable every year."

Previous states and cities visited include Atlanta, GA, Washington, D.C., Detroit, MI, Chicago, IL, New York, NY, Philadelphia, PA, Dallas, TX and San Antonio, TX.

The group plan to revisit Washington, D.C. and New York, NY. in 2019. If you are interested in joining with others next year, contact Ulee at (850) 274-6268.



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Prayer Meeting.....7:00 PM
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6:00 pm Praise & Worship

Wednesday 5:30 pm
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6:30 pm
Youth Potter's Wheel (Grades 6-12)
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6:45 pm
Worship on Wednesday

2nd/4th Monday 6:00 pm Ladies Bible Study
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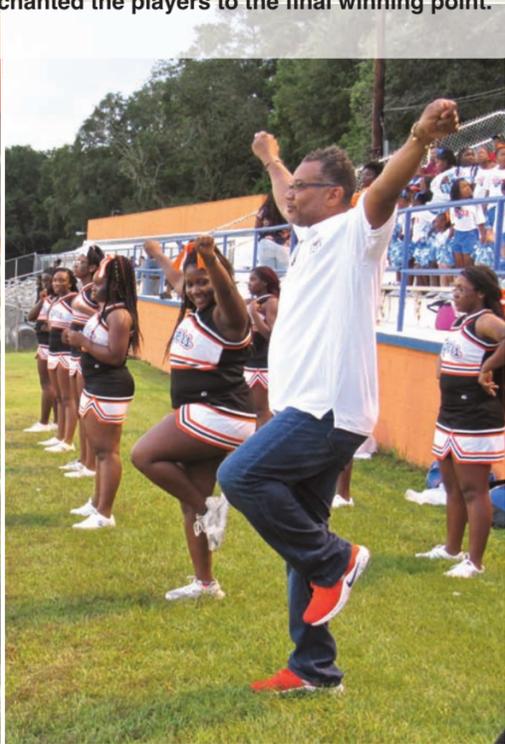
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Sunday Morning.....10:55 AM
Wednesday
Dinner & Prayer Meeting.....5:45 PM
Youth Group.....6:15 PM
Choir Practice.....7:00 PM

Tigers win 34 - 15



ECB Publishing, Inc. Photos By Debbie Snapp, August 31, 2018
The Jefferson Somerset Tigers won a victory over the Sneads Pirates on Friday evening with a score of 34-15. The bleachers were filled with cheering fans as the cheerleaders chanted the players to the final winning point.



Warriors fall to Marauders

Rick Patrick, *ECB Publishing, Inc.*

The Aucilla Christian Academy (ACA) Warriors lost a home game to the Marauders of Maclay School on Friday, Aug. 31, with a 48-14 final score. With the loss, the Warriors' record falls to 2-1.

Brady Browning completed eight of his 18 pass attempts for 131 yards through the air for the Warriors. Browning also had 23 yards rushing on 10

attempts, with one rushing touchdown. Blake Wirick had his usual effective running game for the Warriors, racking up 156 yards on 23 carries, with one touchdown. On the defensive side of the ball, defensive back Brandon Hannon had three tackles and one assist, with one interception and two passes defended.

The next game for the Warriors will be a home match with the Wolves of St. Francis Catholic, from Gainesville. The Wolves come into Aucilla with a 1-1 record, coming off a loss to St. Joseph Academy, 42-7. The game is scheduled for Friday, Sept. 7, with kickoff set for 7 p.m.

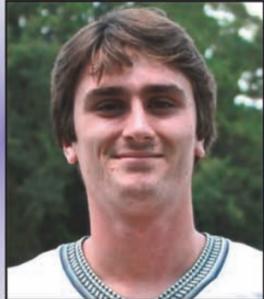
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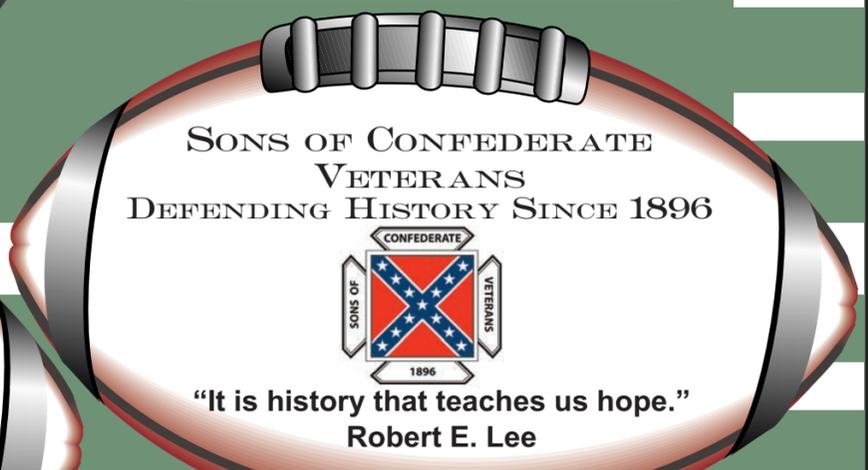
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LEGAL NOTICES

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: 18-000029-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
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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-82

IN RE: ESTATE OF

SUSAN S. WATERS,
Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of SUSAN S. WATERS, deceased, whose date of death was June 16, 2018 is pending in the Circuit Court for Jefferson County, Florida Probate Division under probate file #18-CP-82, the address of which is 1 Courthouse 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 the first publication of this notice is September 5, 2018.

MARY KATE READER
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Perry, Florida 32347

Attorney for Personal Representative
Jill G. Denton
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Monticello, Florida 32345
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON APPLICATION FOR SITE PLAN APPROVAL

The Monticello Local Planning Agency will consider an Application for Site Plan Approval for the following development:

1495 S. Jefferson Street - Addition of a 3,600 square foot building and new storm water management facility

The public hearing will be held on September 19, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall, 245 S. Mulberry Street, Monticello, FL 32344. At that time, the Agency may vote on a recommendation for consideration by the Monticello City Council at their regular meeting on October 2, 2018.

Interested persons may appear at the hearing and be heard with respect to the applications. The complete application may be inspected at City Hall between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Agenda information may be obtained from City Hall or at the city website at www.cityofmonticello.us. 9/5

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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

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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 1/2 of E 1/2 Lot 11 Barwicks Add
ORB 13 PG 186

Site Address: PARRISH STREET

Name in which assessed: ROOSEVELT AND CLARA BARNHART

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Libra - Sept 23/Oct 23
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Scorpio - Oct 24/Nov 22
Don't worry if people do not always understand your intentions. You are a natural born leader who has to make some challenging decisions from time to time.

Sagittarius - Nov 23/Dec 21
You may find yourself as the life of the party sometime this week. Embrace the limelight but make sure to set aside some time for rest and relaxation.

Capricorn - Dec 22/Jan 20
You have a big event on the horizon that you have been planning. If it has been taking up too much of your energy, try delegating a few tasks to get some relief.

Aquarius - Jan 21/Feb 18
Try to be supportive of those around you even when you may not agree with all of their reasoning. Diplomacy will help you keep a good group of friends.

Pisces - Feb 19/Mar 20
If you can't figure out something that is puzzling you, it's best to take it to a few other people who may offer a fresh perspective.

Aries - Mar 21/Apr 20
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