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Months of preparation will culminate in a four-day celebration for Taylor County's forestry industry starting today (Wednesday) and continuing through Saturday with the 58th annual Florida Forest Festival.

Schedule highlights can be found in the special festival edition inside today's **Taco Times**.

Author to speak at library Oct. 28

David J. Mather, author of "One for the Road," will be guest speaker at the Taylor County Public Library on Monday, Oct. 28, at 5:30 p.m.

"One for the Road" is a novel about Chilean family life through the eyes of a young Peace Corps volunteer.

Mather grew up in Sarasota and was a volunteer with the Peace Corps from 1968 to 1970. He and his wife now split their time between Lima, Peru, New Hampshire and Horseshoe Beach.

The program, sponsored by Friends of the Taylor County Public Library, is free and the community is invited.

Application deadline extended

The application deadline for Taylor County Habitat for Humanity's new program called "A Brush With Kindness" has been extended to Friday, Nov. 15.

The program serves low-income families who struggle to maintain the exterior of their homes; it will focus on landscaping and exterior clean-up with volunteers working alongside the homeowner to revitalize a home's exterior.

Applications are available at the Florida Drug Alcohol DNA Screening office located at 3498 Highway 19 South, Suite 2 (across from Taylor Technical Institute).

Workshop to focus on management plan for museum

On Monday, Oct. 28, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Recreation and Parks will hold a public workshop to review updates in the management plan for Forest Capital State Museum.

The workshop will be held at Forest Capital Hall, starting at 7 p.m.

The public is invited to attend.

Weather

Wednesday 79°
10% 58°

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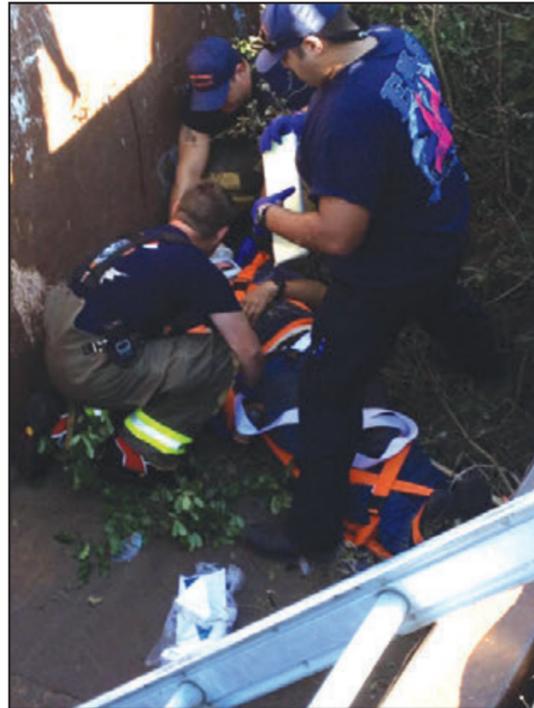
'Good deed' leaves Perry man in serious condition

A Perry man sustained serious injuries—including two broken arms—after falling headfirst into a dumpster at the Harrison Blue Roll-Off site Friday.

The man, whose identity has not been released, was airlifted to Tallahassee Memorial Hospital and remains in stable condition. According to family members, he had surgery Tuesday morning to replace an elbow joint that was shattered in the fall.

The accident occurred while the man was attempting to help another man retrieve a rake that had fallen into the large dumpster.

Emergency personnel responding to the incident had to lower a ladder into the dumpster in order to reach the man; he was secured on a backboard and



Emergency responders had to strap the injured man onto a backboard and pull him out of the dumpster.

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Investigation remains on-going in October 2012 hit-and-run death

The one-year anniversary has passed and the investigation is still ongoing in the Oct. 5, 2012, hit-and-run death of Hugh Poppell, 41.

The Perry Police Department has had a person of interest in the case for more than a year and

continues to build its case.

"A premature arrest can lead to issues as far as prosecution goes. We only get one chance and that's why we like to have the investigation complete before we file charges," Capt. Jamie Cruse said.

The crash occurred around 10:15 p.m. near the intersection of Dove Road and Old Dixie Highway.

Police were dispatched to the scene initially to investigate a report of an injured person.

However, when officers

arrived, they determined they were dealing with a vehicle crash.

Poppell, who lived on Dove Road, was pronounced dead at Doctors' Memorial Hospital.

Parts of a skateboard were found at the scene and investigators said they did

not know if he (Poppell) was on it or carrying it when the crash happened.

A vehicle was seized in relation to the investigation shortly after the crash occurred and the Florida Department of Law Enforcement processed it for evidence.

County secures \$103,000 for airport updates



A \$103,000 grant from FDOT will be used to help fund updates to Perry-Foley Airport's master plan and provide engineering services for a future aircraft storage building at the facility.

Taylor County has received \$103,000 from the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) to update Perry-Foley Airport's master plan and provide engineering services for a future aircraft storage building at the facility.

The county commission recently approved two joint-participation agreements with FDOT to accept the funding and will be seeking additional money from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) for the master plan update.

The county received \$19,980 from FDOT to update the airport's master

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Suspension or tobacco ed class?

Following a request from local Students Working Against Tobacco (SWAT) members, the Taylor County School Board is considering changing its district tobacco policy to give students who are caught with tobacco products on campus the option of cessation education programs instead of suspensions.

The SWAT students, along with representatives from the Tobacco Prevention Program at the Taylor County Health Department, first approached the board in August, requesting they consider adopting the final two points to complete a recommended 12-point comprehensive plan.

One of those points was adding a tobacco education program (to the student discipline matrix) to be provided by the health department.

After collecting more information on how other districts were implementing similar programs, the school board discussed the issue at two subsequent meetings before unanimously agreeing on Tuesday, Oct. 15, to hold a public hearing on the proposed changes to the board policy and the student discipline matrix.

The hearing will held during the board's regular meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 10.

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B&G Club 'powered' by Duke



The Duke Energy Foundation awarded the Boys & Girls Club a \$14,500 grant to fund its "Learning STEMs from Duke" program. "This grant will support the STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) programs taught by certified teachers that club members enjoy," Executive Director Emily Weed Ketring said. Duke representative Bobby Pickels (back, left) joined Ketring and club members for the grant presentation.

Forestry has \$14 billion impact on state

As Taylor County's annual salute for forestry swings into high gear this week, Commissioner of Agriculture Adam H. Putnam and the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services Florida Forest Service are also celebrating the benefits of Florida's forests during National Forest Products Week, which runs Oct. 20-26.

"National Forest Products Week provides an ideal opportunity to highlight the economic and environmental value that Florida's 17 million acres of forestland provide for our residents," said Putnam. "In addition to countless forest products and amenities, Florida's forest industry contributes more than \$14 billion to Florida's economy and supports more than 75,000 Florida jobs."

Florida's forests provide more than 5,000 types of consumer goods that most people use on a daily basis.

Some are easily recognized, like paper goods and lumber, while others are not.

By the time forest products reach consumers, many retain very little resemblance to the trees from which they originated.

These products include cosmetics, paint additives, medicines and fabrics used to make clothing. Pharmaceuticals developed to treat cancer have also originated from chemicals extracted from trees.

Trees also provide important benefits to Florida's ecosystem, including clean air and water, shade and energy conservation, carbon absorption and habitat for birds and mammals.

Putnam recently commissioned the first statewide inventory of 17 million acres of forest land. The study evaluated the distribution, availability and sustainability of Florida's timber resources.

Some of the findings included:

- 17 million acres of forestland covers 49 percent of the land in Florida.
- Of 8 million pine acres, 7 million are in North Florida. Pine accounts for about one-third of all forest land.
- 63 percent of forest land is privately owned, mostly in non-corporate ownership.
- 37 percent of forest land is owned by federal, state, county and municipal governments.
- 65 wood-using mills in the state are made up mostly of sawmills, mulch, chip-and-saw and pulp mills.
- Softwood pulpwood, mostly pine, is in the highest demand among all timber products.
- 49 counties in Florida exhibit sustainable forests where growth meets or exceeds timber demand.
- There is relatively little pressure for both hardwood pulpwood and saw timber, with hardwood forests sustainable throughout the state.
- South Florida's 5 million acres of forests are predominantly in water—almost 4 million

acres are mangrove, cypress or other forested wetlands.

Two-thirds of the state's forests are more than 40 years old, predominantly

older hardwood forests.

The Florida Forest Service manages 1 million acres of public forest land while protecting more

than 26 million acres of homes, forestland and natural resources from the devastating effects of wildfire.



SWAT member Catherine Crawford addresses the Taylor County School Board, stating a comprehensive tobacco policy protects both students and faculty at local schools.

Now, suspensions are mandatory

TOBACCO ED CLASS

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Under the proposed changes, students found with tobacco products will have the option of attending the tobacco education program instead of suspensions for the first three offenses. The program will be two hours for the first offense, four hours with cessation resources outlined for the second offense and six hours with cessation resources for the third offense.

Existing punishments vary based on the grade level and are as follows:

- Primary (K-2): first offense, notification of parent/guardian, student conference, in-school-suspension (ISS); second offense, parent/guardian conference, three-day suspension; third offense, five-day suspension. (Only the ISS and suspensions can be replaced by the education programs.)
- Elementary (3-5): first offense, one-day suspension; second offense, three-day suspension; third offense, five-day suspension; fourth offense, 10-day suspension and recommendation for expulsion.
- Middle School (6-8): first offense, one-day suspension; second offense, three-day suspension; third offense, five-day suspension.
- Secondary (9-12): first offense, three-day suspension; second offense, five-day suspension; third offense, 10-day suspension and recommendation for expulsion.
- Adult Program (under 18 years of age): first offense, confiscation of items; second offense, one-day suspension; third offense, one-to-three-day suspension.

\$83,000 marked for engineering and design work

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plan and layout plan, which has a total projected cost of \$199,880, according to County Grants Coordinator Melody Cox.

"The county is submitting a grant application to FAA requesting funding assistance in the amount of \$179,820," Cox said. "The project will be 100-percent grant funded. The county is not providing a match."

"FAA and FOOT Aviation require the master plan once every 10 years at a minimum. The master plan has not been updated since fiscal year 2002-03. There has been a great deal of change to the existing master plan over the past 10 years as the new terminal and the t-hangars

did not exist at that time."

FDOT is also providing the county \$83,970 to be used for the design and engineering of a new aircraft storage facility at the airport.

"The county will have until Dec. 30, 2015, to complete the project," Cox said. "The design of the facility will be completed in conjunction with the airport master plan project which will assist in determining future airport needs. The design of the facility may be completed to accommodate one of the following: an eight-to-10-unit t-hangar facility, a corporate hangar or a hangar facility that could be used for a fixed base operator."

The county will not be required to provide a match for this project either.

Man also sustained neck fractures

GOOD DEED

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then pulled up the side of the metal container.

In addition to breaking both arms, the man also sustained neck fractures.

Family members said Tuesday he is expected to make a "good recovery."

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At NFCC

Pharmacy tech program accepting students

North Florida Community College's (NFCC) Allied Health Department is currently accepting students for its new pharmacy technician certificate program. The new program is set to begin Jan. 8 and according to NFCC Allied Health Advisor Debbie Bass, now is the time to contact NFCC and complete the application process.

"We are seeing a lot of interest in the Pharmacy Technician program," said Bass. "Approximately 15-20 students will be selected for this first class and it's important for anyone interested in applying to

the program to contact me before the Nov. 15 deadline." The program takes less than a year to complete, approximately 10 months, and prepares students to enter the workforce as trained professionals. Pharmacy technicians perform technical and clerical duties in pharmacies while working with licensed pharmacists to dispense prescription medications. Graduates who achieve a passing score on the National Pharmacy Technician Certification Exam and register with the Florida State Board

of Pharmacy can seek employment as certified and registered pharmacy technicians. "The pharmacy technician certificate is a great addition to NFCC's Allied Health offerings," said Julie Townsend, Allied Health director at NFCC. "Employment in this area of healthcare is expected to grow over the next several years and we are looking forward to training our communities' future pharmacy technicians." According to the Bureau of Labor and Statistics (BLS), employment of pharmacy technicians is

expected to increase more than 32 percent from 2010 to 2020. The Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, Labor Market Statistics Center projects a 22 percent increase in employment of pharmacy technicians by 2019 for Workforce Region 6, the

counties NFCC serves. "The NFCC Allied Health Department has a reputation for producing high student pass rates, offering exceptional training opportunities and being student oriented," said Townsend. "You can expect the same quality standards

and opportunities from our new pharmacy technician certificate program." Student applications will be accepted through Nov. 15. For more information, contact NFCC Allied Health Advisor Debbie Bass at (850) 973-1662 or bassd@nfcc.edu.



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For Hamp, Iona Walker

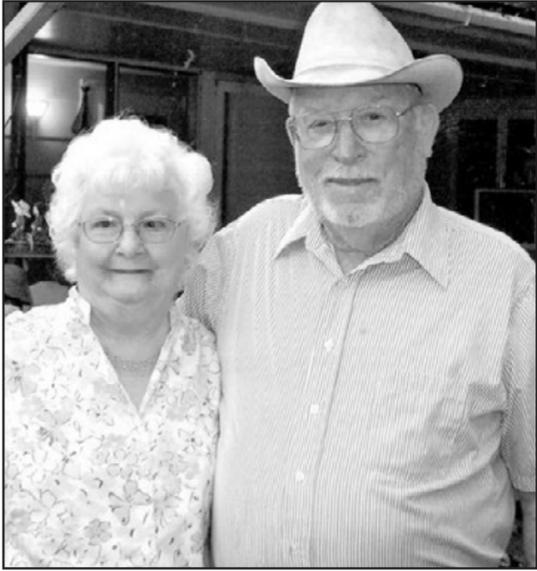
Board from historical Bloodworth's building pays tribute to love story

By FLORRIE BURROUGHS

Shady Grove correspondent

Stories can be found in the oddest of places. Doyle Lundy knew he was investing in history when he purchased the Bloodworth building earlier this year. I'm sure he did not know he was also purchasing someone's love story.

Now, to understand this story, you will need to know or remember that the Gulf Telephone Company was once housed upstairs in the Bloodworth building. There was the switchboard with an operator always on duty as well as a



Hamp and Iona Walker at their Shady Grove home

pay phone for citizens' use as there were very few, if any, phones available at that time. When Doyle began removing the sheetrock walls, he found a wooden wall underneath and on one of the boards he saw the names: "Hamp Walker and Iona Walker." Doyle brought the board to Hamp.

The story goes like this. In 1952, Hamp was in the United States Army. When he came home on leave he "talked Iona Morgan into marrying him" (in his words). After they were married, they went to the Gulf Telephone Company to use the pay phone. It was there that Hamp Walker called in to ask for extended leave since he had taken a wife. His request was granted. And there on the wall, perhaps waiting for a call back, Hamp carved his name and the name of his bride, Iona.

Iona was born in Shady Grove, Hamp in Perry. After their marriage they traveled some due to the military and Hamp's work and then settled in Shady Grove. Hamp and Iona are beloved members of this community. When you see the love this couple has for each other, you know that this marriage was a match made in Heaven.

I tried to take a picture of the board but the wording was not bright enough to show. Hamp says he will post the board at the Opry House for all to see.

Upcoming activities:

Dec. 20 - Christmas tree lighting at Shady Grove Community Park. The Pleasant Grove Baptist Church choir will present several selections from their Christmas cantata. You won't want to miss this, so make plans to join us.

Dec. 21 - Shady Grove's 4th Annual Country Christmas. We start with a parade at 11 a.m. Lineup is 10 - 10:30 a.m. The parade ends at the park where we will serve hotdogs and chili.

If you would like to be in the parade, please call me at 584-6343.

Fall is a great time to plant: do you need shrubs, trees?

Prices for landscape and indoor plants have been reduced by the Special Needs Adult Program (SNAP) at Taylor Technical Institute (TTI). "We need to move these plants out so we can start with some new things," said Connie Gibson, instructor.

Prices listed below are per pot:

Christmas cactus: salmon, white, yellow, orange, pink/white, mixed and spring pink, \$5. (Remember, it's time to get them transplanted or leave them in pots until after they bloom to transplant);

(Only a few) Pansies: yellow and burgundy, \$2;

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Nandina: 25 cents per piece or \$1 for tray;

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Grapevines: \$2;

Boxwoods: \$1-2;

Lacebark Elm trees: \$1;

Ann Magnolia trees: \$3;

Tiger Lilies: \$1-2;

English Dogwood: \$2;

Peace lilies: \$3-4;

Mother-in-Law (snake) plant: \$4;

Swedish Ivy: \$1-2;

Assorted houseplants, prices vary.

Gibson encourages interested shoppers to please call 838-2545 and ask for the SNAP class "to make sure we're here."



Luau celebrates marriage

David and Almira Lee invite friends and family members to a luau celebration of their union in marriage. The luau begins at 4 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 26, at their home, 1013 East Drew Street. Casual attire is suggested; no formal invitations will be issued.

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St. Johns, Courts of Praise present FREE family fun on fireworks night

Two churches have combined forces to present a free night of family fun, coinciding with the Florida Forest Festival Fireworks Show Thursday, Oct. 24.

The event will be held in the parking lot of Courts of Praise located at 3385 Puckett Road, "a prime location to view the fireworks," said Pastor Jeff Bryson. His church, along with St. John Christian Fellowship, will provide

bounce houses, prizes and live entertainment featuring The Taylor Chaffin Band.

"Come early to get a good spot," urged Cody McNeese, who serves as pastor of St. John Christian Fellowship. The event begins at 5 p.m.

Hamburgers, hotdogs and drinks will be available for purchase at the concession stand.



The sanctuary of First Presbyterian Church, 310 Plantation Road, dedicated 10 years ago. (Photograph by Walt Beers)

Church 'super sizes'; Fall Festival planned Oct. 31

Super Size Sunday at 11 a.m. Guest speaker Temple of God is planning a "Super Size Sunday" on Oct. 27 with worship for the occasion will be Minister Altramese Kimble. Everyone is invited.

Fall Festival Lakeside Baptist Church will stage its Fall Festival on Thursday, Oct. 31, from 5-7

p.m. Friends and neighbors are invited to bring their children and enjoy the games, food and fellowship.

Obituaries

Maggie Elizabeth Musselwhite

Maggie Elizabeth Musselwhite, 90, of Perry, died Sunday Oct. 20, 2013, at Brynwood Center in Monticello. She was born July 26, 1923, in Perry, to Alec and Irene (Dixon) Humphrey.

Mrs. Musselwhite was preceded in death by her parents as well as her husband of 49 years, W. H. "Howard" Musselwhite, Sr.; and two sisters, Mae Dell Whitted and Emma (M.A.) Sadler.

She is survived by: her son W. H. "Howard" (Teresa) Musselwhite Jr. of Lamont; her daughter Elota (Bill) Calhoun of Perry; grandchildren, John and Steve Calhoun; and 2 great grandchildren, as well as several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Oct. 22, at 7 p.m. at Burns Funeral Home with Pastor Eddie Pridgeon officiating. A private burial will be held at a later date in Carlton Cemetery.

The family received friends from 6-7 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 22, also at Burns. Memorial contributions may be made to Big Bend Hospice at www.bigbendhospice.org or Alzheimer Association at www.alz.org.

James Edwin Coulliette

James (Jim) Edwin Coulliette, 65, of Perry, died Oct. 18, 2013, at Capital Regional Medical Center in Tallahassee. He was born Dec. 5, 1947, in Iddo, to Wiley and Ila (Grantham) Coulliette, now deceased.

Mr. Coulliette was a member of the First Baptist Church of Perry.

Survivors include: his wife of 47 years, Cheryl Coulliette of Perry; one son, Steven Edwin (Michele) Coulliette of Crawfordville; his daughter, Robin Coulliette (Val) Deer of Summit, Miss.; nine grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; one brother; five sisters; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. on Oct. 20 at Mt. Gilead Baptist Church in Eridu. Interment followed in Mt. Gilead Baptist Church Cemetery. The family received friends from 1:30 until 2 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 20, 2013 at the church. All arrangements were under the care of Joe P. Burns Funeral Home.

At First Presbyterian

Anniversaries marked for sanctuary, prayer garden

In October of 2003, the First Presbyterian Church of Perry dedicated its new sanctuary on Plantation Road. This year, the congregation marked the 10th anniversary of the dedication with a reception showcasing the stages and groundbreaking ceremonies which lead to the sanctuary's completion.

"We also marked the one-year anniversary of the dedication of our All Saints Prayer Garden and newly-renovated plaza," said the Rev. Larry D. Neal, pastor of the church.

For the service which followed a reception in the plaza, the congregation sang a hymn written specifically for the church in 2003, by former member Skip West, son of longtime members, the late Margaret and Erdman West.

"We see the cross high. Against the soaring sky. The congregation of the Lord is here today. The Word of God is read. We live it in our lives and bear our witness everywhere. Our families' Christian lives,

our fortress and our refuge. Our witness to the world that God is eternal love!"

The church was organized in 1905 by 15 members. "The history of this church bears clear evidence of God's continual working in our corporate life. As a church we have been richly blessed over the years. We look back with grateful hearts. But God is not through with us and so we look ahead in the knowledge that God calls us into his will. We pray that our response to God's call will honor and glorify His name," Neal said.

Card of Thanks

Dear Friends/Class of '66': No words could express our appreciation for the love and support you have shown to us after the passing of Jimmy W. Fuller Sr. We are deeply grateful. With warmest regards, The Fuller, Adams/Hall Family



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October's busy calendar of festival events culminates this weekend, paying homage again to the forest industry and the jobs it grows. Further, the event serves as a tribute to the many volunteers who spend countless hours showcasing forestry and a way of life that so many have come to love.

For every bad headline we've published in recent months, there has been a flurry of good news: United Way exceeded its goal, again; the football team has clinched a spot in the state play-offs; festival royalty has been courted on stage and off.

For the weekend at Forest Capital Park, we're hoping for blue skies and crisp temperatures. Forty-six queens will visit; the

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 - Wave to the queens.
- And make this weekend, a departure from all others, in the company of your neighbors and friends.

'Green' initiative is a lose-lose for forestry

By LYNETTA USHER GRINER
Florida Forestry Association

Working forests work for our communities and economy.

Most people intuitively recognize that woodlands fill a vast array of needs, from jobs and products to wildlife habitats and water recharge areas. They do not, however, understand the importance of active, competitive markets in keeping lands forested and operational.

Perhaps the most flagrant example of this principle being overlooked is the criteria that the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC) has developed for its Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) standards.

LEED only awards points for wood that has been certified by the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC). The problem with that in Florida is that merely 120 acres of the 16.1 million acres of forestland in the state are certified under FSC. In contrast, almost three million acres are certified by the American Tree Farm System (ATFS) and the Sustainable Forestry Initiative (SFI) collectively.

Economically, LEED's criteria create a bad deal for Florida's woodland owners, producers AND its consumers.

By monopolizing the market through its

exclusionary policies, LEED narrows opportunities for Florida woodland owners and producers, making it harder for them to remain competitive. It reduces the demand for Florida wood, while benefitting those growing and producing timber elsewhere. The decreased demand for Florida wood negatively impacts prices and profits, making it more difficult for Florida landowners to maintain their forests.



Lynetta Usher Griner

At the same time, LEED drives up prices for consumers by requiring "green" building projects to use FSC-certified wood. Most FSC-certified wood comes from other states or foreign countries and is more expensive.

LEED also adversely affects green spaces and the environment. When forest owners find themselves forced to develop their land

into more profitable uses, wildlife loses habitat; the air loses its natural filters; our water supply loses areas for recharge and storage; and people lose opportunities for recreation and natural scenic beauty.

In short, the standards represent a lose-lose situation for everyone except FSC.

This year Gov. Rick Scott and the Florida legislature took an enormous step toward leveling the playing field and increasing competition in the marketplace by giving public agencies more flexibility to use wood certified by other programs for building projects. This means that all wood is treated equally when our tax dollars are used to build public facilities like parks, community centers and schools. When it comes to public projects, Florida woodland owners and producers are now given a fair chance to compete.

Our fight is not over, however. Many private projects also seek the LEED stamp of approval. Inequality still exists in this sector, causing contractors to look to other states or foreign countries for FSC-certified wood to complete structures with the LEED designation.

Working forests work. Like other businesses and industries, they thrive in a free-market system. The Florida Forestry Association, its members and staff will continue to advocate for equality in this vital arena. I hope that others who appreciate and enjoy our state's forests will join us.

Lynetta Usher Griner was elected as president of FFA in 2012. She and her husband, Ken, began working in her family's timber business after her brother's untimely death in 1989. Under their leadership, Usher Land & Timber, Inc., has been honored as the Logger of the Year on the state and national level and has also received Audubon's Sustainable Forestry Award. This year they were recognized for their exceptional natural resource stewardship with a County Alliance for Responsible Environmental Stewardship (CARES) award.



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Midweek Muddle

Mr. Football

By SUSAN H. LINCOLN

As a retired cheerleader, I should be enamored with anybody called "Mr. Football."

But thanks to the national sports media, which falls in love more easily than a teenager, I am not a fan of Johnny Manziel.

My alma mater, Auburn University, played Manziel's school, Texas A&M, in an exciting contest aired on national television Saturday. As a surprise to everyone, Auburn won.

But the broadcasters, who I thought were obligated to be objective observers, could hardly bring themselves to speak the names of any Auburn players or mention their outstanding plays.

It was all about Johnny Manziel.

This is not the first time I've been victimized by unbalanced reporting in a national arena—maybe you feel that way about your team, too. Maybe everybody feels that way about their team. I know we all "hear" what we want to hear, and "read" things that aren't sometimes implicitly stated, but these broadcasters—who we'll simply call Gary and Verne—only provided commentary on the Texas A&M game. Auburn was simply the presumed casualty for the day.

And I, for one, take issue with that.

When Cody Parkey made a great kick for Auburn, the announcers said, "Let's look again at Johnny Manziel's fine carry before the kick-off. He is one special athlete... he can do anything."

If Auburn made a great run—and Auburn did—the announcers said, "Great stop by A&M. With Mr. Football at the helm, this team is a lethal enemy."

My favorite play followed a two-minute diatribe by Gary and Verne in which they lauded Johnny Manziel's phenomenal accuracy as a passer.

That's when Auburn intercepted one of his phenomenal passes.

And the announcers said, eloquently, "Whoops."

The score was like a tennis match, with one team going up three or six points, and the other quickly catching up. It was no runaway train.

But to the announcers, Auburn was simply the fresh meat in the grinder. "Johnny Manziel beats you two ways: he has an arm and he can throw the ball, plus, he scrambles and nobody can catch

him," they said, chuckling.

About this time, an Auburn player was hurt, and down on the field.

With the compassion of an ant, the announcers quickly responded "An Auburn player is down, so let's look again at that last Johnny Manziel play. He is amazing, simply amazing."

The game was thrilling down to the last 28 seconds, but with three minutes to go, Gary and Verne began their concession speech, "Even if Auburn doesn't win..."

Nobody in the booth said, "Even if Texas A&M doesn't win..."

So let me help you out if you were lost in the commentary: Texas A&M didn't win and the universe for these sports commentators may never be the same again.

Of course, Gary and Verne are playing to the national hype that Mr. Football, the Pied Piper, has generated. Much like Mr. Golf.

Phil Mickelson can depart from the PGA tour to help his wife through her cancer treatments and nobody blinks an eye, but if Tiger changes his socks, the announcers just swoon. Tiger, or Mr. Golf, is as good at his sport as Johnny Manziel is at football. But if you spend too much time around television announcers, you'll wish Tiger's wife had hit him harder with that 7-iron.

Media Darling status extends from the gridiron and the golf tour to find Hillary Clinton as unscathed by the tremendous loss of life in Benghazi as Ted Kennedy was by Chappaquiddick.

Obama smiles and the reporters swoon.

Tim Tebow bows in prayer and becomes a national joke.

The Kardashians have replaced The Waltons, and Paula Deen is still crying.

If broadcasters are going to fall in love, they really shouldn't do it on national t.v.

"That Johnny Manziel is special, indeed." Ask him how much he will charge for an autograph.

"He can do anything," the announcers say, and police reports would support that theory.

This week, the thing Mr. Football did was lose and I'm a sore winner.

As eloquently as I can, please allow me to say, "Whoops."

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Furnishing the Cabin in the Woods

The American Legion Ladies Auxiliary recently donated a love seat, rugs, bedding, towels and other household items to the veterans' Cabin in the Woods in Lake City. Shown above, left to right, are: Terry Chase, Ann Cook and Betty Jones.

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Promoting the festival

Florida Forest Festival Board Member Mark Viola (right) spoke to the Perry Kiwanis Club about this year's festival and the events which will fill this week from the carnival and fireworks to the King Tree Parade and Classic Car Show. Shown above with Viola is Kiwanian Marvin Brooks.

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Eudora Elizabeth "Beth" Register

Eudora Elizabeth "Beth" Register, 70, of Perry, passed away Sunday, October 20, 2013 at Tallahassee Memorial Healthcare in Tallahassee. Mrs. Beth was born July 9, 1943 in Foley, Fl, to William and Mable (Deal) Cruse, Sr.

Mrs. Register was of the Baptist Faith and was a member of Crosspoint Fellowship Baptist Church in Perry. She retired in 2006 from The State of Florida, Division of Corporations, where she was a Document Specialist Supervisor. From 2008 to 2013 Beth worked at Wal-Mart in Perry as a cashier. Beth was probably the only employee ever to be reprimanded for being too nice. If you went through Mrs. Beth's lane you left with a hug, a smile, or a word of encouragement, most of the time you received all three. Mrs. Register enjoyed cooking, and entertaining family and friends. She love to ride to the farm with Mr. John to feed the cows, and watch the garden grow. Mrs. Beth spent much time with her many grandchildren, and great grandchildren, enjoying every moment. Mrs. Register was preceded in death by by her parents William Sebron and Mable Eudora Cruse, her husband of 44 years Alton Register, her brother Sebie Cruse, and her sister Glenda Cruse Faircloth all of Perry.

She is survived by her son, Dennis Register and his wife Denise of Lake City, FL; her daughter, Brenda Register and Richard Marable of Old Town; a dear special love, John Shaw, Sr. of Perry; her brothers, James N. Cruse, Sr. of Perry, Billy (Barbara) Cruse of Albuquerque, NM, Jerry (Nancy) Cruse of Fanning Springs; sisters, Sheryl Cruse of Brooksville, KY, Ethel (Royce) Sheffield of Perry, Susan Cruse McGroarty of Perry, Mary (Joe) Horton of Perry; grandchildren, Patricia (Gator) Sadler of Perry, Kristal (Ethan) Law of Live Oak, Tiffany (Joey) Dicks of Lake Butler, Tyler (Krystal) Register of Lake City, Sierra Register of Provo, UT, Mikayla Register of Lake City, Billy Thompson, Jr. of Perry, Matt ((Tori) Marable of Jasper, and Megan Harrell of Jasper; 13 great grandchildren, 26 nieces and nephews, 33 great nieces and nephews, as well many friends also survive her.

Services will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 23, 2013 at Crosspoint Fellowship Baptist Church in Perry with Pastor Eddie Prideon officiating and Dennis Register, High Priest LDS Church, assisting. Interment will follow in San Pedro Baptist Church Cemetery in Perry. The family received friends from 6- 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 22, 2013 at Joe P. Burns Funeral Home. Memorial contributions can be made to St. Jude's Children Hospital. All arrangements are under the care of Joe P. Burns Funeral Home.

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'Dogs clinch state playoff berth

By AARON PORTWOOD

The Taylor County Bulldogs clinched their fifth-straight state playoff appearance, Friday night in Fernandina, jumping out to a commanding 20-0 lead and dominating district-foe Fernandina Beach, 48-16, in a mercy-rule shortened game.

The district win gives the Bulldogs (2-0) one of the two play-off spots in District 2-4A and sets up a Nov. 1 showdown with undefeated Fort White (5-0, 2-0) for the district championship and home field advantage in the first round of the playoffs.

Fort White, which has never won a district title,

"We wrapped up a playoff spot for the fifth straight year, which I believe is a first in Taylor County. We put ourselves in position to have a chance to win a district title with a win at home in two weeks, and now we have a chance to slay another giant (Lincoln) this Friday night in Perry," Smith added.

The Bulldog offense has been clicking for the past several weeks, scoring 5 touchdowns in a 34-33 win over Madison, six touchdowns in a 49-16 blow-out win over Jefferson County and six more touchdowns in Friday night's 48-16 win.

Art Nelson and Jermaine Watkins led the Taylor County rushing attack behind a second straight outstanding performance by the Bulldogs' offensive line. Nelson finished with 11 carries for 83 yards and 2 TDs, while Watkins had 6 carries for 60 yards and 2 TDs.

Daniel Wentworth completed 10 of 14 passes for 168 yards and 2 TD passes to Moral Stephens (5 catches, 94 yards, 1 TD) and Cam Collins (2 catches, 35 yards, 1 TD).

For the second straight game the Bulldog defense got in on the scoring fun, as Tanner Hammock forced a fumble that was scooped up by Johnny Anderson, who scored from 25 yards out.

The Bulldogs never punted in the game and accumulated 373 total yards of offense and 20 first downs, despite a running clock shortening the game and limiting Taylor to just four second-half possessions.

Taylor County committed just one turnover in the game, which broke a three-game streak without an interception or fumble.

The Bulldog offense scored on their first four possessions prior to Anderson's fumble return TD. Then, after starting the second half with a fumble that the Pirates turned into a touchdown two plays later, the Bulldogs quickly reeled off two more scores on their



Several of the Bulldogs' wide receivers, including Moral Stephens and Chance Rodgers, await the snap.

next two possessions.

Watkins got the Bulldogs off to a great start when he raced down the field and jumped on the live ball after a perfect pooch kick by Wentworth to steal a possession from Fernandina on the opening kickoff of the game.

A great block by Jake Barr sprung Moral Stephens for a 14-yard gain on a key 4th and 3 conversion attempt, and Nelson followed Barr, Garrett Massey, Ja'Nard Robson, Jalik Jay and Josh Prevatt into the endzone to give the Bulldogs a quick 7-0 lead.

Anderson made a tackle and nearly picked off a pass on the Pirate's first possession to force a punt, and the Bulldogs quickly struck again, as Wentworth threw a perfect sidelines fade pass to Stephens for a 42-yard gain.

Nelson ran for 7 and 18 to set up Watkins' 8-yard TD run that gave the Bulldogs a 14-0 lead.

After a second Pirate punt, Chance Rodgers (2 catches, 30 yards) made a shoestring catch over the middle, and Watkins showed his blazing speed with a 26-yard run around the left side.

Collins went down low to

make an amazing 28-yard catch and then caught a 7-yard TD pass on a broken play with 42 seconds left in the first quarter. Grant Parker (who converted 6 of 7 extra point kicks) missed the PAT wide left to keep Taylor's lead at 20-0.

Despite a tackle for loss by Justin Cruse and a near interception by Luke Kallschmidt, Fernandina managed to get on the board with a 21-yard pass with 9:15 left in the 2nd quarter.

Taylor County answered with a 10-yard TD run by Watkins, who gave an impressive second effort after initially being stopped short of the endzone. The drive was kept alive by a gutsy 3-yard gain on 3rd and 2 by Nelson and a 17-yard QB keeper by Wentworth.

Stephens had to play defense and knock away a near interception on a pass intended for him in the endzone just before Watkins scored to give the Bulldogs a 27-7 lead.

Evan Grambling and Kallschmidt both had near interceptions bounce off their hands before Hammock forced a fumble on a punt block rush and Anderson scooped and scored from 25 yards out

to give the Bulldogs a 34-7 lead at the half.

Shawn Burney alertly recovered a line-drive outside kick to begin the second half, but a missed block by the Bulldog offensive line caused Wentworth to take a sack and fumble the ball.

The Pirates scored on a 33-yard run two plays later to pull within 34-13, but Kallschmidt and Anderson snuffed out a 2-point conversion attempt.

Big runs by Nelson of 23, 12 and 5 yards set up his own 2-yard TD run, as the Bulldogs' offensive line mashed the Pirates in the trenches and took a 41-13 lead with 8:16 to play in the 3rd quarter.

The Taylor County defense stuffed Fernandina, which attempted and failed to catch a pass on a fake punt.

Stephens picked up 11 yards on a sweep. Darrell Cook ran for 11 yards on back-to-back carries and Stephens capped off the scoring by catching a short pass and turning it into a 20-yard TD reception with some nifty moves.

Parker's final PAT of the night made the score 48-

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Taylor Co.	Stats	Fernandina Beach
20	First Downs	11
33/192	Rushes/Yards	39/181
11/16/0	Comp./Passes/Int.	3/12/1
181	Pass Yards	55
373	Total Offense	236
0/0	Punts/Avg.	4/26.5
1/1	Fumbles/Lost	5/1
10/75	Penalties/Yds.	4/40

For the second straight week the Bulldogs triggered a running clock after building a lopsided 35-point lead against their opponent.

Taylor County led 34-7 at halftime and 48-13 at the end of the third quarter before calling off the dogs and giving back-ups valuable playing time.

The Bulldogs (4-3) have now won three straight games and four of their last five after starting the season 1-3.

defeated Madison, 19-13, Friday night. That loss and the Bulldogs' 34-33 victory over the Cowboys two weeks ago eliminated the Cowboys from the playoffs for the first time in 18 years (since 1994).

"We talked all week about taking care of business, and that is what you did tonight. You came down here and took care of business," Bulldogs' Head Coach Ryan Smith told his players after the game.



Taylor County High running back Darrell Cook (8) breaks into the open during recent Bulldog action.

Girls soccer team hosts pre-season classic Saturday at sports complex

Eight of the Big Bend's top high school girls soccer teams will be in town Saturday for the third annual pre-season soccer classic hosted by the Taylor County High girls soccer team.

The event is slated to get underway at 10 a.m. at

the Taylor County Sports Complex. Admission is \$5 per person and is good for all day.

The line-up of games beginning at 10 a.m. includes Lincoln vs. Godby on field 1, Florida High vs. Franklin County on field 2

and John Paul II vs. Wakulla on field 3.

A penalty kick shoot-out involving all teams will take place on field 1 at 12 noon.

Leon will play Taylor County at 12:30 p.m. on field 2. Games beginning at 2 p.m.

include Wakulla vs. Lincoln on field 1 and Godby vs. John Paul II on field 3.

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10/16-11/01

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'Logger of the Year' will serve as King Tree Parade Grand Marshal

Submitted by: THE SOUTHEASTERN WOOD PRODUCERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

Florida's 2013 Logger of the Year Tim Southerland, owner/operator of K&B Land & Timber, will serve as grand marshal of the 58th annual Florida Forest Festival King Tree Parade Saturday, Oct. 26.

Southerland, along with wife Stacey, was presented the award at this year's Southeastern Wood Producers Association Annual Meeting held at Lake Blackshear Resort in Cordele, Ga.

The company was established in February 1999 and currently employs nine full-time employees and utilizes two contract-trucking providers.

Southerland's business education began as a young man working in his family's funeral home business. It was during this time that the importance of excellent care and service was ingrained. However, he eventually chose to go into the timber business due to his love of

the outdoors. Southerland holds a degree in forestry graduating from Lake City Community College in 1989.

He began his career in the timber industry when he fulfilled his college internship for St. Joe Timberland Company. Upon graduation from college he took a job with Stone Container Corporation. From there he was offered a job in his hometown with North Florida Woodlands and worked there for seven years until he had the opportunity to go into business on his own.

In the early years of K&B the company managed timber for land owners as well as purchasing and selling timber. As the business evolved the company eventually turned their primary focus toward quality logging operations. K & B has had a contract with St. Joe Timberland Company for 14 harvesting timber on their lands.

Southerland previously served on the Florida

Forestry Association's "Logger's Council" and currently serves on the Southeastern Wood Producers Association (SWPA) Board of Directors. As an SWPA board member he has been a strong advocate of the logging industry at both the Florida legislature in Tallahassee and in Washington, D.C.

When asked what specific goals Southerland has in his role as the 2013 Florida Logger of the Year he stated: "I want to establish periodic producer-consuming mill relationship workshops in as many of the consuming facilities as possible over the next year. In addition, I would like to increase the public's awareness of the reality that loggers, in general, are good stewards of the environment by working with media outlets statewide whenever and wherever possible. Getting our story in front of local, regional, state and federal policy makers as well as the general public is critical to the health of our forests and the logging industry."



Logger of the Year Tim and Stacey Southerland of K&B Land & Timber will serve as grand marshals of this year's King Tree Parade, which rolls out Saturday, Oct. 26, in downtown Perry.

He also stated his belief that "we will have healthy forests and healthy communities as well as a healthy economy in both rural and urban areas when we understand that a productive forest is a

sustainable forest." K & B Land and Timber continually not only strives to be the best logging contractor possible but also to fulfill the primary mission of the company: "to have a positive impact on everyone

and everything they touch." It is their extraordinary approach to doing business that makes K & B Land and Timber an excellent choice as the 2013 Florida Outstanding Logger of the Year.

Parking tips for downtown parade-watching Saturday

With so many events happening in downtown Perry and the Grand Pavilion at Rosehead Park this coming Friday night and Saturday morning, parking will be limited to those attending a park event.

No overnight parking will be allowed at the site and vehicles will be towed at the owner's expense.

The pavilion will play host to the "Strutt Your Mutt" dog parade and contest Friday evening, with registration starting at 5:30 p.m.

It will also be a stop in the Kids Kilometer Adventure happening that same evening.

A combined Farmers Market/ Flea Market will open Saturday morning. Interested? Call 843-1279.



Parking at Rosehead Park's Grand Pavilion will be limited to event participants Friday evening and Saturday morning. No overnight parking will be allowed.

Visitors welcome



Forest Capital State Museum and the Cracker Homestead will be open to visitors Saturday, Oct. 26, for the 58th annual Florida Forest Festival. The admission fee has been waived for this special event, Park Services Specialist Debra Walker said. More than half-a-dozen exhibitors will be set up at the park. Above, 2013 Florida Forest Festival Little King Hudson Harvey, Little Queen Kaylan Kirk and Taylor County's Distinguished Young Woman MaKenzie Cannon pose in front of the homestead.

Community Calendar



To add your organization free of charge, please call 584-5513 or e-mail newsdesk@perrynewspapers.com

CIVIC GROUPS

AARP: last Wed., 10 a.m. at Perry Shrine Club.

Kiwanis Club: Wednesdays, noon, Perry Elks Lodge on Puckett Road.

MainStreet Perry: fourth Tuesday, 5:30 p.m., Perry Historic Station.

NAACP: first Sunday, 5 p.m., at Jerkins Community Center.

Optimist Club: Thursday, noon at Rosehead, downtown Perry.

Perry Garden Club: third Wednesday, 10 a.m.

Perry Elks Lodge: second and fourth Tuesday, 7 p.m.

Perry Lodge #187: first and third Tues., 6 p.m., Masonic Hall.

Perry Masonic Lodge 123: meets first and third Monday, 7:30 p.m.

Perry Shrine Club: fourth Thursday at 7 p.m. (club house located on Courtney Road).

Perry Woman's Club: second Wed., noon (September to May).

Rotary Club: Tues., noon at Rosehead Junction.

Taylor County Leadership Council: second and fourth Friday, 7 p.m., Jerkins Community Center.

Vogue XIII: first Mon., 7:30 p.m. Call 584-2404.

GOVERNMENT

Airport Advisory Committee: fourth Wednesday, 12 noon, Perry-Foley Airport.

City Council: second and fourth Tues., at 5:30 p.m.

County Commission: first Mon. and third Tues. at 5:30 p.m., courthouse annex; workshop, fourth Tues., 5 p.m.

Planning Board: first Thurs., 6 p.m. Courthouse annex (old post office).

Taylor County Construction License Board Meeting: third Fri., 2 p.m., courthouse annex.

Taylor County School Board: first and third Tues., 6 p.m.

Taylor Coastal Water and Sewer: fourth Tuesday at 18820 Beach Road, 3 p.m.

Taylor Soil & Water Conservation District Board: fourth Monday, 7 p.m., Foley Airport terminal conference room.

INTERESTS

Diabetes classes: every Tuesday, 3 p.m., Doctors' Memorial Hospital.

FAMU Alumni Chapter: second Monday, 7 p.m., Jerkins Community Center.

Friends of the Taylor County Public Library: last Monday

of the month, 5:30 p.m., public library.

Girl Scouts Service Unit: first Tuesday, 7 p.m., Scout Hut.

Habitat for Humanity: second Thursday, 5:30 p.m., Capital City Bank, Rm. #208.

Helping Hands of the Shelter: second Tuesday, 6 p.m., Chamber of Commerce.

Home Educators League of Perry: Forest Capital Hall. Call 584-6866 or visit on-line <http://ttf.taylor.ifas.ufl.edu>.

Muskogee Creek Indian Nation: second and fourth Sat., 7 p.m. Tribal grounds, Lyman Hendry Road.

Muskogee Creek Indian Tribe: second Saturday, 3 p.m., Oak Hill Village on Woods Creek Road.

National Wild Turkey Federation (Yellow Pine Drummers): holds open monthly meeting on first Thursday, Golden Corral, 7 p.m. Call 584-9185.

Parrot Heads in Perry-"dise" Club: meets the first and third Wednesday, 7 p.m. Call 843-1469 for location.

Perry Alliance of Ministers & Pastors (P.A.M.P.): meets second Sunday, 2:30 p.m., Little St. John P.B. Church.

Pet adoptions: Taylor County Animal Shelter, open Monday through Friday. Call 838-3525.

Republican Party of Taylor

County: second Thursday, 6 p.m., at Rigoni's Cookhouse on Highway 19 North. Call 223-2648.

Search & Rescue Riders #1135 of Christian Motorcyclists Assoc.: 4th Saturday, 9 a.m. at Golden Corral Restaurant.

Taylor Adult Program (TAP): Thursdays, 10 a.m., 502 N. Center Street. 223-0393.

Taylor Coastal Communities Association: second Tuesday, 6 p.m., at the district building on Beach Road.

Taylor County Beekeepers Club: second Monday, 6:30 p.m., Forest Capital Hall.

Taylor County Brotherhood: meets on Mondays, 7 p.m., at New Brooklyn; every third Saturday, 9 a.m., at Stewart Memorial.

Taylor County Brotherhood Choir: meets every Thursday, 6 p.m., at Stewart Memorial.

Chamber of Commerce: second Thurs., 8 a.m., chamber board room.

Taylor County Development Authority: second Mon., noon, at Historic Perry Station.

Taylor County Historical Society: third Mon., 7 p.m. Historical Society building. Society's museum is open every Thursday, 1-5 p.m.

Taylor County Horseman's Association Horse Show: practice roping every Friday,

7 p.m.; second Saturday, registration, 3 p.m.; ride, 4 p.m. Arena is located on Bishop Blvd. Free admission.

Taylor County Quilters: Tuesdays, 10 a.m. to noon, public library.

Taylor County Reef Research Team: second Tuesday, 7 p.m., Forest Capital Hall.

Taylor County Senior Center: Executive Board of Directors meeting, last Wednesday of the month, 10:30 a.m., Senior Center.

Taylor County United: second Mon., 7 p.m., Evangel Christian Fellowship.

Tourism Development Council: second Thurs., noon, Chamber of Commerce.

Whole Child Taylor-Shared Service Network: fourth Mon., 9 a.m., Alton H. Wentworth Administrative Complex.

Yarn Lovers Circle: first and third Thursday, 9:30 a.m., Taylor County Public Library.

SUPPORT GROUPS

AL-ANON: meets every Thursday at noon, St. James Episcopal Church.

Alzheimer's Support Group: meets every fourth Thursday, 10:30 a.m., First Presbyterian Church.

Big Bend Hospice Advisory Council: fourth Tuesday at

1 p.m., Big Bend Hospice office.

Friends and Family of Sexual Assault Survivors Support Group: fourth Tuesday, 6-7 p.m., Glorious Rain Church. For information, call 843-0158.

Narcotics Anonymous: Sun., Tues., Wed., Fri., 7 p.m.; Sat., 12 noon Catholic Church of the Immaculate Conception (Parish Center), 2750 S. Byron Butler Pkwy. Call: (877) 340-5096.

VETERANS

AMVETS Post 20: third Saturday, 10 a.m., at 107 East Green Street.

American Legion Post #291 (Steinhatchee): second Thursday, 7 p.m.

American Legion Post #96: first Tues., 7 p.m., American Legion Hall, Center St.

Sons of Confederate Veterans: fourth Thursday at North Orange Street. Call 584-5725 or 838-2045.

VFW Post #9225: second Tuesday, 7 p.m. (American Legion building).

Please call 584-5513 to update your current calendar listing or e-mail newsdesk@perrynewspapers.com

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Auction Sale Notice
Christopher Minsch - Unit # 2-23
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Joni Wisner - Unit # 3-57
Tareaka Blount - Unit # 4-06
Teresa Massey - Unit # 4-07
Selina Beckworth - Unit # 4-10
Taylor Storage Center, 3498 S. Suite 1, Perry, Fl. 32348, has possessory lien on all the goods stored in the prospective units above. All these items of personal property are being sold pursuant to the assertion of the lien on November 2, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. in order to collect the amounts due from you. The sale will take place at 3498 Hwy 19 S. Suite 1, Perry FL 32348.
10/16, 10/23

There will be a court ordered sale held at 1116 Vaughn Lane, Steinhatchee, FL., for one 32' Royal Cruiser boat and trailer. Minimum bid must be \$20,000. sale to be October 10th at 10:00 a.m.
10/16, 10/23

IN THE COUNTY COURT, THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR TAYLOR COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 62-2013-CC-11500A-01
JAMES E. MULLINS
Plaintiff,
LARRY M. AYLOR
IN REF: 1991 TOYOTA PICKUP
VIN# JT4VN13D5N5073774
NOTICE OF ACTION
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A PETITION TO DETERMINE OWNERSHIP OF A MOTOR VEHICLE DESCRIBED AS 1991 TOYOTA PICK UP, VIN # JT4VN13D5N5073774, HAS BEEN FILED AND YOU ARE REQUIRED TO SERVE A COPY OF YOUR WRITTEN OBJECTION, IF ANY ON JAMES E. MULLIN, 19505 S JODY MORGAN GR, PERRY, FL 32348 WHO IS THE PETITIONER, ON

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OR BEFORE NOVEMBER 4, 2013, AND FILE THE ORIGINAL WITH THE CLERK OF THE COURT EITHER BEFORE SERVICE ON THE PETITIONER OR IMMEDIATELY THEREAFTER; OTHERWISE, A DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED FOR THE RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE PETITION.
WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL OF THIS COURT ON THE 4TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2013 AT TAYLOR COUNTY, FLORIDA
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
BY: SALENA FORD
DEPUTY CLERK
10/09, 10/16, 10/23, 10/30

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR TAYLOR COUNTY
GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION
CASE NO. 13000633CAC
JAMES B. NUTTER & COMPANY, Plaintiff,
vs.
THE UNKNOWN, HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF BETTY MASON A/K/A BETTY WILKS MASON A/K/A BETTY PARKER MASON A/K/A BETTY L. PARKER MASON, DECEASED, et. al.
Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF ACTION - CONSTRUCTIVE SERVICE
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claiming an interest by, through, under or against the Defendants, who are not known to be dead or alive and all parties having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in the property described in the mortgage being foreclosed herein.
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following property:
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has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defense, if an, to it on counsel for Plaintiff, whose address is 6409 Congress Avenue, Suite 100, Boca Raton, Florida 33487 on or before November 22, 2013/(30 days from Date of First Publication of this Notice) and file the original with the clerk of this court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint or petition filed herein.
WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court at Taylor County, Florida, this 9 day of Oct., 2013.
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
BY: Marti Lee
Deputy Clerk
ROBERTSON, ANSCHUTZ, AND SCHNEID, PL
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF
6409 CONGRESS AVENUE, SUITE 100
BOCA RATON, FL 33487
10/23, 10/30

Notice of Public Hearing
Hearing Date: December 10, 2013
Subject of Hearing: Discipline Matrix for Tobacco, Revised Board Policy on Tobacco use in District Facilities.
THE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD OF TAYLOR COUNTY WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ABOVE DATE FOR APPROVAL OF SAID SAID HEARING ITEM THE PUBLIC IS INVITED TO ATTEND TO EXPRESS THEIR OPINIONS/CONCERNS. THE PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD AT:
The Administrative Complex, School Board Meeting Room, 318

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North Clark St., Perry, FL
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Paul E. Dyal
Superintendent of Schools
10/23, 10/30, 11/06, 11/13, 11/20, 11/27, 12/6

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Magnolia TC2, LLC the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of the property and the names in which the property was assessed are as follows:
Certificate Number 319
Year of Issuance 2010
Description of Property: Parcel Number R02905-000
Commence at the Southeast corner of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 22, Township 04 South, Range 07 East; thence run West along South boundary line said forty 760 feet; thence run North parallel to the East boundary of said forty 510 feet for a Point of Beginning. Thence run West 255 feet; thence run North parallel to the East boundary said forty 190.90 feet; thence run East parallel to the South boundary said forty 255 feet; thence run South parallel to the East boundary 191.65 feet to a Point of Beginning. Contains 1.11 acres more or less. Recorded in official records 529, pages 306-311.
This property is being assessed with a wood frame home as well as a 1968 single wide CATA mobile home, Serial # FLA37042, Title # 66172272.
Name in which assessed John Henry Walsingham.
Said property being in the County of Taylor, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described shall be sold to the highest and best bidder at the courthouse door on the 25th day of November, 2013 at 11:00 o'clock a.m.
Dated this 21st day of October, 2013
Annie Mae Murphy
Clerk of Circuit Court
Taylor County, Florida
10/23, 10/30, 11/06, 11/13

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Backups get 'valuable playing time' in game

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13 and triggered a running clock with 4 minutes to play in the 3rd quarter.

Fernandina Beach scored two late touchdowns against the Bulldogs' second string defense, and Bulldogs' backup QB Mitch Stephens completed a 13-yard pass to Jalen Oliver (2 catches, 22 yards). Oliver had a pair of big plays called back on penalties, as he took a jet sweep for a big 35-yard gain and made an acrobatic 20-yard catch on a pass from Mitch Stephens that was nullified by a motion penalty.

Kallschmidt led the Bulldogs on defense with 5 solo tackles and three assists to go with 3 pass break-ups. Javalis McNeal continued to make a big impact from his linebacker spot, with 4 solo tackles, and Davonta Fudge had a career-best game with 4 solo tackles.

Evan Grambling finished

with 3 solo tackles and 2 assists, followed by Jordan White (3 solo, 1 assist) and Jamarus Robertson (3 solo tackles).

Other stand-out players on defense included: Johnny Anderson (2 solo, 2 assists, fumble recovery TD),

Tanner Hammock (2 solo, 2 assists, forced fumble), Kahlil Britt (2 solo, 1 tackle for loss), Justin Cruse (2 solo, 2 tackles for loss), Shawn Burney (1 solo), Jamar McNeal (1 assist, 1 QB hurry, 1 big hit) and Mitch Stephens (1 assist).



2013-14 VARSITY BULLDOG FOOTBALL

Date	Opponent	Site	Time
8/23	Leon (Kick-off Classic)	Away	TBA
8/30	Dixie County	Away	7:30 p.m.
9/6	Williston	Away	7:30 p.m.
9/13	Potter's House	Home	7:30 p.m.
9/20	Wakulla County	Home	7:30 p.m.
9/27	Open Week		
10/4	Madison County*	Home	7:30 p.m.
10/11	Jefferson County	Home	7:30 p.m.
10/18	Fernandina Beach*	Away	7:30 p.m.
10/25	Lincoln	Home	7:30 p.m.
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CS Holt Band 12:30 p.m. Casey Weston 4:00 p.m.
Casey Weston 1:40 p.m. Betsy Badwater 5:00 p.m.

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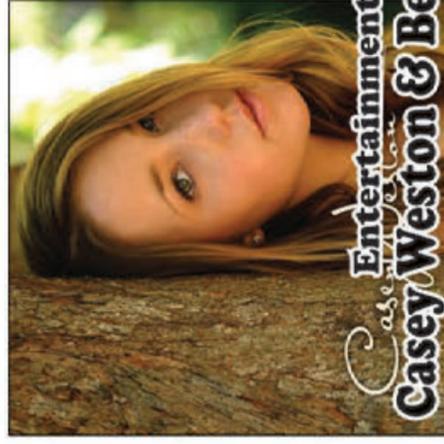
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The Florida Forest Festival Board of Directors welcomes the community and guests to the 58th annual Florida Forest Festival. Shown above are: (left to right) Erin Albury, Pat Barbaree, Chris Brannen, Tyson Hill, Chris Folsom, Cathy Chute, Amy Bowden, Mark Viola, Dawn Taylor, Dan Simmons and Rick Batillo.

Celebrate with us...

Dear Friends,

Florida has had a long and rich history. As the state marks the 500th anniversary of the arrival of Ponce de Leon, this is the perfect year to look back.

And so, the 58th Florida Forest Festival is celebrating the role forests and Florida's natural resources have played in that storied history, from the first Native Americans to the European explorers and everyone since who has called Florida home.

As they did across the state, the forests of Taylor County have provided for those who settled here, whether it was lumber to build a roof over their heads, hunting opportunities to keep them fed or an occupation to support themselves and their families.

From its earliest days, Taylor County's forests have been its lifeblood. For many here and throughout the state, they have provided a stable livelihood for families generation after generation.

When the people of Taylor County came together more than 50 years ago to hold the first Pine Tree Festival, it was to return the favor and promote the protection of those same forests from one of the worst forest fire records in the country. The community responded to the call and within a decade, the county's fire record was one of the best.

Continuing that tradition, the Board of Directors of the Florida Forest Festival would like to invite everyone to join in the celebration of the 58th annual

Florida Forest Festival, which culminates this weekend as we celebrate the history and majesty of our forests.

The month-long celebration began Oct. 5 with the 2013 Florida Forest Festival Distinguished Young Women program. MaKenzie Cannon was named the Distinguished Young Woman of Taylor County. She will represent Taylor County and the festival throughout the next year.

On Oct. 12, Hudson Harvey and Kaylan Kirk were crowned the festival's "wee royalty" during the Little King and Queen Pageant. The pint-sized duo will join Cannon as festival representatives, reigning over the festivities this weekend.

In recognition of our strong forestry heritage and its ever-growing future, we welcome you to this year's festival as we celebrate "Viva Florida Forestry." We invite you to come together to see the best of what Taylor County has to offer.

So, join us at Forest Capital State Park this Saturday and enjoy lunch on us at the World's Largest Free Fish Fry. Sit back and tap your toes to music flowing under the pines. Cheer on your favorites at the chainsaw and loader competitions. Marvel at the classic cars and the lumberjack shows. Peruse the wares of artisans and crafters from across the region. Above all, have fun and enjoy yourselves.

From the Florida Forest Festival
Board of Directors

Our cover features 2013 Distinguished Young Woman MaKenzie Cannon (center) with Little King Hudson Harvey and Little Queen Kaylan Kirk at Forest Capital State Park's Cracker Homestead.

(Photo by Mark Viola)



Singer-songwriter Casey Weston performed at the 2010 Florida Forest Festival before competing on the inaugural season of NBC's "The Voice." She will perform Saturday, Oct. 26, at 1:40 and 4 p.m.

Weston returns to the Florida Forest Festival

Florida Forest Festival headliner Casey Weston is a singer-songwriter from Naples, now living in Nashville, Tenn.

She began performing about six years ago with both original songs and covers that "spoke to her." Both originals and covers were well received and her audiences grew and grew. In 2009, she released her first CD, 10 songs on the self-titled "Casey Weston."

She performed at the Florida Forest Festival in 2010 in one of her first concerts before competing on the first season of NBC's "The Voice," becoming one of the show's eight finalists as a member of coach Adam Levine's team.

The post-season Voice Finalists Tour had Casey

performing on stage in Las Vegas, Boston, New York City, Rosemont, Ill. and Walingford, Ct. On her own she has appeared at the Commodore Lounge, Hard Rock Café, Rocketown and the Bluebird Café, all in Nashville.

On the national concert circuit, Weston has opened for Top 40 and Country acts such as James Otto, John Anderson, Craig Morgan and Justin Moore.

In addition to many venues and festivals in southwest Florida, Casey has appeared at the Old Rock House in St. Louis, Schuba's in Chicago, NBC at Universal Studios in Los Angeles and the Women Today Expo in Ventura, Calif.

Weston also participates in a rigorous schedule of

ongoing music education. She is engaged in four different areas of study, all of which involve aspects of music theory, composition and skill development. Vocal coaching and guitar is in Nashville and Casey has shown to be a quick study in piano under the direction of Cynthia Dallas, principal keyboard for the Naples Philharmonic Orchestra.

Frequent songwriting collaboration is done primarily in Nashville but she has worked with great writers in Los Angeles as well. Collaboration in songwriting is done in pairs as well as in groups.

"The dynamics are amazing when a creative group of songwriters get together. The room just buzzes," Weston said.

Badwater has local roots

Former Perry resident Florida Forest Festival Betsy Badwater returns with her band The Hillbilly home for the 58th annual Chrome.



C.S. Holt

C.S. Holt is a vocal stylist and songwriter who performs his own unique take on Blues-flavored American music which combines blues, soul and roots influences. Born and raised in Virginia, he makes his home in Moultrie, Ga. He will perform Saturday at 12:30 and 2:50 p.m.

Badwater's music has been called a stout distillation of rockabilly, country, blues, soul and high-lonesome. She writes the songs, sings, plays guitar and a tambourine-topped bass drum, all at the same time.

Like Ralph Stanley, Badwater learned, from infancy, to sing in the Appalachian High-Lonesome and acapella "song lining" singing style heard almost exclusively in Primitive Baptist churches.

Betsy Badwater & The Hillbilly Chrome have performed as supporting acts for David Allen Coe, Chris Thomas King, Ray Benson & Asleep at the Wheel, Rodney Adkins, Larry Mitchell Band, Buckwheat Zydeco, Blue Mother Tupelo, The Ten Foot Pole Cats, Ramblin' Steve

Gardner & Bill Steber, Miss Izzy Cox and more.

She has performed in music venues and music festivals in 35 cities in eight states and has been featured on radio stations in Florida, Alabama, Mississippi and Texas, as well as PBS television, CNN and Headline News. Badwater's new record was completed at The Shed Recording Studio in New Orleans featuring Grammy-winning blues/Americana hero Chris Thomas King ("O, Brother Where Art Thou," "Ray") as producer and multi-instrumentalist on one track.

Her performance at the Florida Forest Festival is part of a 47-date, eight-state tour of the South which also includes a return to Perry in December for the Southern Pines Blues & BBQ Festival.



Betsy Badwater and her band The Hillbilly Chrome will perform at 5 p.m.

8,000 expected to line up for lunch

World's Largest Free Fish Fry will serve 3,000 lbs. of catfish

Three thousand pounds of catfish will be fried to a fare-thee-well for Forest Festival Day 2013, so make plans to enjoy lunch underneath the pines at Forest Capital Park.

Aucilla Christian Academy will again provide parents to serve and cook, but volunteers are always needed and always welcomed, according to Dawn Taylor and Rick

Olcott who are coordinating details for the "big feed."

Their dedicated crew of cooks will be feeding about 8,000 festival-goers so massive quantities of beans are required, not to mention 16,000 hush puppies!

"We are proud to be part of this tradition and invite you to join us for a free lunch," Taylor said. If you wish to volunteer, please contact the

Chamber of Commerce at 584-5366. They will shout with glee.

Taylor extends "a big thanks" to Bassett's Dairy which annually provides a refrigerated truck for storing the food. "It's no small task to feed 8000 people; we're grateful for all those who help, in any and every way," she said.

She also turns the

spotlight to Jimmy Stewart who works by day for the City of Perry but has been pivotal in learning the ropes for chairing the fish fry.

"We hope to turn this event over to him next year, and we're confident that he'll do a great job. He's a hard worker and already a key player in making the World's Largest Free Fish Fry a great success."

King Tree Parade will feature loggers, Shriners and queens

The King Tree Parade will step off at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 26, in front of the Perry Woman's Club where all dignitaries are invited to gather.

Parade Chair Evelyn Day has a diverse line-up of entries which include:

- Springtime Tallahassee's float
- State, national and local forestry queens
- Logger of the Year
- Shriners
- Two bands (Taylor County High School Band and Taylor County Middle School Band)
- Taylor County 4-H
- The Division of Forestry and its signature mascot, Smokey Bear
- Taylor Gymnastics, Cheerleading and Dance
- Canine and Rapid Response from Taylor Correctional Institute
- Politicians Steve Southerland, Halsey Beshears and Pam Feagle, as well as circuit judge candidate, Mark Feagle
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• Visiting queens such as "Miss Teen Watermelon" and "Miss Florida Seafood"

• Law enforcement units, as well as Taylor County Fire-Rescue

• JROTC princesses, queen and drill teams

• A salute to the "Halloween Trail"

• Antique cars and hard-working log trucks

• Perry Motorcycle Club

• Taylor Twirlers

• Lady of the Year Michele McLeod

• Moonpie Princesses

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• and, of course, the glittering royalty which represents the 2013 Florida Forest Festival: DYW MaKenzie Cannon and court, as well as the wee royalty.

"We already have 75 units, and look for that number to increase to 100 before parade day," Day said, spotlighting businesses which also wish to be represented: Yarbrough Tire, Jack's Boats & Trailers, Rocky's, Yogi Bear

Jellystone Park, and also the churches, such as New Brooklyn Missionary Baptist and First United Methodist.

"You will see familiar faces," Day assures, "and we hope we see yours that day too."

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Good Luck on the 58th Florida Forest Festival!



Carnival opens tonight!

The Florida Forest Festival Carnival, located on Industrial Drive, opens tonight (Wednesday) at 6 p.m. and will run each evening through Saturday, Oct. 26. The carnival will feature some 16 rides along with games and food vendors. Tickets are \$20 at the gate.

Ready for fireworks?

It will be a magical night when the 58th annual Florida Forest Festival's Fabulous Fireworks Display lights up the night sky over Perry-Foley Airport on Thursday, Oct. 24.

The display will begin at 8 p.m. and the public is invited to sit on the airport tarmac to watch the show. Viewers are reminded to bring lawn chairs.

The fireworks display will be orchestrated by Pyrotecnico of New Castle,

Penn. "The Pyrotecnico Company and their technicians are again providing the fireworks entertainment for festival-goers," Event Coordinator Dan Simmons said. "Pyrotecnico is one of the oldest and best known fireworks providers in the United States and we are glad they are back with us. They have designed a spectacular show and festival organizers invite everyone to attend and enjoy the fireworks."

The display is expected to last between 13 and 15 minutes with more than 2,900 total shells including 130 five inches in diameter or larger.

"Color combinations will include violet and lemon, aqua and pink, silver and green, and red, white and blue. Shell displays are best described as falling leaves, glittering mines, wave willows, color changing chrysanthemums, and 'rockets red glare' and 'bombs bursting in air,'" Simmons said.



The fireworks will begin at 8 p.m.



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Loader anchored a six-man logging operation in its heyday with payouts of \$2.75 a ton

She's called the Loggers Dream and while she may be showing her age, back in the day she more than held her own anchoring a six-man logging operation.

Original owners of the loader were T.H. (Buck) Chancey and Myers Williams, who hailed from Wacissa.

Myers Williams was the father of Fred M. Williams and grandfather of Bradley A. Williams, owner of Williams Timber Inc.

Richard A. Williams (Myer's half-brother) recounts how the logging industry operated back in the day and the role the Loggers Dream played in the daily operation.

Like many today, a logger's day began well before sun-up and lasted until well after sun down. In the 1940s and 50s, the

Loggers Dream's six-man crew included one cross-cut saw (with two men), one ramp, one loader with one man and one log truck with one driver.

The pay scale was slim, starting at less than \$6 a day and sometimes a tad more—providing it was on a full, good work week. But employees had to work a while to get the raise of earning \$6 a day.

Everyone on the job received the same pay per week, \$30 for five days of long hours. When payday arrived, they were issued checks, but were paid in cash carried around in a brown paper sack.

A load of logs consisted of 13 to 19 logs per load, 18-24 feet long on a single-axle log trailer. The loads weighed approximately 16 tons per load and mills were

paying the logger \$2.75 a ton.

"Within a good working day by the sweat of their brow and with no breakdowns, the crew was able to get three or four loads a day," Richard Williams said.

"The driver would strap down the logs and ease out of the swamp on his way in the Chevrolet truck (that hauled 45 miles per hour bob-tailed) to Alberta Crate & Box Company in Tallahassee. The journey was a two-hour and 45 minutes-plus roundtrip to unload and venture back to the woods—providing there were no breakdowns.

"The Loggers Dream was a new adventure that help provide a new and better way to move the wood faster and more efficiently. It helped to get more loads

of logs per day, which meant generating more revenue."

Today, the Loggers Dream sits as a silent reminder of the early days of Taylor

County's logging industry, an industry that continues to flourish today.



The Williams family continues to keep "the loggers' dream" alive. Shown above are the late Fred Williams, left, and his son, Bradley Williams.



The Loggers Dream was manufactured at Taylor Machine Works in Louisville, Miss. While the specific date of manufacturing is not know, its serial number is: 1234. It provided the backdrop for this year's photo of the Florida Forest Festival Board of Directors.

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Kids Kilometer Adventure
October 25 @ 7:00 pm

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Where's the buried treasure? In downtown Perry, of course.

Kids Kilometer Adventure hits the ground running Friday night

Taylor County's "Run For Your Life" track club is introducing a new event for children at this year's Florida Forest Festival—the Kids Kilometer Adventure.

Children in grades kindergarten through sixth grade are eligible to participate in the event that will be held Friday, Oct. 25, in downtown Perry, starting at 7 p.m. at Java

Connection.

"During the Kids Kilometer, children will enjoy an exciting adventure through downtown Perry as they uncover prizes along the way. Each child will also receive a special set of runners' dog tags at the end of their run/walk," Run For Your Life's Charles Praytor said.

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registration forms are available at Little Pine Pediatrics, Sunrize Stitches or Java Connection.

Entry fee for the Kids Kilometer is \$10 before race day or \$12 on race day.

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The Great Race returns!

5K course starts on Ellis Street

The Great Race is making a return to the Florida Forest Festival and local volunteers invite residents to join them in recharging this traditional favorite of many.

The race will be held Saturday, Oct. 26, with the starting line at Java Connection, located at 105 East Ellis Street (in the Old Depot).

"It is open to all ages and fitness abilities. The course is mainly flat with just a few elevations. It is ideal for those athletes looking for a new PR (personal record) on a scenic neighborhood course of downtown Perry," said Charles Praytor with Run For Your Life track club.

Event highlights include: top quality tech running shirt to all pre-registered participants; fun and festive post-race refreshments;



medals for Overall 5K winners in each age group; and the Florida Forest Festival King Tree Parade will start right after the event.

Entry fees for race day registration are: \$25 for the 5K Run and \$20 for the one-mile Fun Run.

The 5K course starts in downtown Perry at the Java Connection (105 East Ellis Street) and finishes back at the Java Connection.

The course will be mainly flat with only a few elevations.

Baby joggers/strollers will be permitted in both the 5K and the Fun Run, but must start at the back of the line. No dogs, pets, roller blades, skateboards or wagons are allowed in any of the races.

Participants in the 5K will be timed using timing chips to ensure accuracy. The 5K Race course has a one-hour

time limit, to allow for the awards ceremony before the parade starts. Participants in the Fun Run will not be timed.

"The money raised from The Great Race will help children in our community that are fighting for their lives with a life threatening disease," Praytor said.

"We would like to encourage both runners and walkers to participate in this great cause."



Hush Your Puppy!

Hush puppies have long been a staple at the Florida Forest Festival's "World Largest Free Fish Fry" and organizers are introducing a new contest where the tasty fried treats will be the main attraction--a Hush Puppy Eating Contest.

The event will be held Festival Day (Saturday, Oct. 26) at Forest Capital Park.

The contest will be limited to 12 competitors (ages 18 and up); registration is free and forms are available at the festival office (located adjacent to the Perry-Taylor County Chamber of Commerce). For more information, contact the festival office at 584-TREE (8733).

The contest will start at 2 p.m. in front of the main stage. Contestants will have 60 seconds to eat as many hush puppies as they can. The winner gets bragging rights and a trophy.

Where to park?

The Taylor County Sheriff's Office and festival officials remind everyone to be mindful of traffic concerns when traveling to the Forest Festival this year.

A limited number of reserved parking tickets are still available at the festival office located at the Perry-Taylor County Chamber of Commerce for \$5. They will be on sale through Thursday, Oct. 25.

The tickets will not be available festival day (Saturday).

Reserved and handicap parking on festival day will be at Taylor Technical Institute. Law enforcement asks that all handicap parking permits be prominently displayed for easy identification. Reserved parking is by permit only.

Due to safety and security concerns, the amount of through-traffic on Industrial Drive festival day will be restricted.

Free parking areas will be located in front of the airport and a free shuttle service will be provided throughout festival day.

Festival-goers are also reminded that no golf carts, go-carts or ATVs will be allowed on festival grounds.

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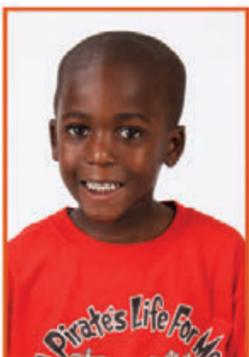
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Parades, runs and scary stories fill Friday night's activities downtown

The Florida Forest Festival will once again take over downtown Perry Friday, Oct. 26, with an expanded list of activities.

The festivities kick off at 5 p.m. with the third annual Strutt Your Mutt Contest, sponsored by the Helping Hands of the Shelter, Inc.

This year's event will be held at the Grand Pavilion in Rosehead Park (adjacent to the Splash Pad).

Prizes will be awarded in the following categories: Best Bark, Best Trick, Best Costume, Biggest Dog, Smallest Dog, Oldest Dog, Best Kisser, Best Tail Wagger, Best Shelter Representative and Best In Show.

Entry forms are available

at the Perry-Taylor County Chamber of Commerce. The entry fee is \$5 per pet.

Participants will also be able to register prior to the contest, starting at 5:30 p.m. The pet parade and judging will begin at 6 p.m.

The Kids' Parade's theme this year is "Set Sail to a Forest of Treasures," based around pirates to connect with the festival's overall theme of "Viva Florida Forestry."

The parade is for children ages 12 and under. Parents are asked to arrive and register no later than 5:45 p.m. The parade will begin at 6 p.m.

"All units must be non-motorized," organizers said. "You may decorate bikes,

wagons, baby carriages, etc."

Awards will be presented for most in keeping with festival theme, most original, most humorous, judges' choice and best pirate costume. Prizes will also be awarded to the daycare and classroom with the most participants.

The parade will also feature local Cub Scouts and a flock of forestry queens. The procession will be led by the festival's Little King and Queen.

Once the parade concludes, the fun continues with a series of carnival-type games and food concessions in the courthouse parking lot.

New this year is the Kids Kilometer Adventure,

which will begin at 7 p.m. at Java Connection in Perry Historic Station. For more information, please see page A-7.

The annual Classic Car Gaslight Parade, featuring classic cars from almost every decade will begin at 7 p.m. as they loop around the Courthouse Square before returning to Perry Square (Save-a-Lot shopping center) for a street dance.

Concluding the downtown's activities is another returning event when children gather at the Grand Pavilion for a series of scary stories at 8 p.m.

For more information about any of the events, contact the festival office at 584-TREE (8733).

Hundreds of vintage vehicles expected for festival Classic Car Show Saturday

The Florida Forest Festival's annual Classic Car Show will give hundreds of vintage car owners a chance to showcase their rides in the King Tree Parade, as well as an open competition with trophies going to the top 40 participants.

Prizes will also be awarded for Best in Show, Best Paint, Best Interior and Best Engine Compartment.

The car show will be held at Forest Capital Park on Saturday, Oct. 26, with judging held as the cars enter the park. Trophies will be awarded around 2 p.m.

Registration for Saturday's show will be held from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Dash plaques and goodie bags will be distributed for the first 100 registered vehicles.

The registration fee is \$20 on the day of the show. For

more information, contact Cathy Chute of Motorvations at 850-838-1168.

"We want to invite everyone to come out festival day and see the hard work that has gone into restoring, preserving and maintaining these cars," Chute said. "You'll be amazed."

"We would also like to thank Timberland Ford, Motorvations, O'Reilly Auto Parts and Perry Theatre for sponsoring this event. Check out all the banners to see everyone who has donated goods or services."

The Fireworks Open House Cruise-In will be held Thursday, Oct. 24, from 4 to 10 p.m. at Motorvations, which is located on Industrial Park Drive, during the annual "Fabulous Fireworks Display," which begins at 8 p.m. The event

will feature food from Perry First Church of God and live music courtesy of Southern Rain.

Additionally, many of the cars will take part in the Classic Car Gaslight Parade Friday, Oct. 21. The cars will line up in the Perry Square (Save-a-Lot shopping center) on Jefferson Street and leave at 6:45 p.m.

The parade will make several runs around the courthouse square, then return to Perry Square for a street dance featuring the band Southern Rain, sponsored by Thomas Chevrolet and Hardee's.

Completing the night's car-themed event will be a special showing of "Rush" at Perry Theatre.

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'Distinguished Young Women'

Cannon claims 2013 title

By MARK VIOLA
Staff writer

Music was the connecting theme Saturday night as the 2013 Distinguished Young Women Program celebrated "Motown Madness." This year's four contestants more than made up for what they may have lacked in numbers by filling the stage at Forest

Capital Hall with poise, energy and exuberance before a crowd of cheering family and friends.

Taylor County High School senior MaKenzie Cannon was named the 2013 Florida Forest Festival Distinguished Young Woman of Taylor County, and will reign over

this year's festivities and represent her community at the state program in January. She is the daughter of Ron and Jessica Cannon, and Dawn Arnold.

Although Motown was the night's theme, and the contestants' opening number and physical fitness routine were choreographed

to classic hits such as "My Girl" and "I Feel Good," it was a much newer song that seemed to encapsulate the evening: Katy Perry's "Hear Me Roar."

In the final segment before the awards were announced, Distinguished Young Women Program Co-Chair Tonya Williams-



MaKenzie Cannon, the daughter of Ron and Jessica Cannon, and Dawn Arnold, was named the 2013 Distinguished Young Woman Saturday, Oct. 5.
(Photos by Photos, Frames & Trophies)



(L to r) Contestants Annsley Bohlman, MaKenzie Cannon, Jessica Welch and Brittany Stalans.

Benziger introduced a video slide-show of the four contestants-- Cannon, Annsley Bohlman, Jessica Welch and Brittany Stalans--by stating that she could not find a song from her Motown collection which represented the "determination and passion of these girls."

"I got the eye of the tiger, a fighter, dancing through the fire, cause I am a champion and you're gonna hear me roar," Perry's voice sang as the audience watched photos and video clips from the girls' journey to that evening.

Although several additional contestants

joined the program and later left, these four were there from the beginning to the end, Williams-Benziger said.

When it was time for the awards, Cannon took home the physical fitness and talent awards before receiving her title.

Claiming the first runner-up spot was Jessica Welch, who also received the scholastic award.

In addition to their titles and plaques, both contestants also received scholarships.

Contestant Brittany Stalans was awarded for

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What does a pirate say? "Arghhhhhhhhhhh!!!"

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Harvey, Kirk crowned Little King, Queen

By ANGELA M. CASTELUCCI
Staff writer

Whenever Hudson Harvey needs advice on how to handle his duties as the newly-crowned Florida Forest Festival Little King, he won't have to look far...big brother Hunter Harvey shared the same honors in 2008.

Hudson's big brother was on hand to congratulate him Oct. 12 at Forest Capital Hall during the 58th annual Florida Forest Festival Little King & Queen Pageant.

Joining Harvey on the royal festival court were his queen, Kaylan Kirk; first runners-up Grant Turner and Gracie Simmons; and second runners-up Nicholas

Kinsey and Kaylee Mae Strickland.

Proud parents of the newly-crowned royals are: Nick and Elizabeth Harvey; Kim and John Kirk; Roger and Katrina Turner; Andy and Kim Simmons; Tonia Sprow; and Chris and Britney Strickland.

Jadon Harley Herring, the son of Kesha and Leon Herring, and Zy'Mya A'Karia Flowers, the daughter of Khalilah King and Wayne Flowers, were recognized for having the most ads for the pageant program.

Audience members set sail with 24 little king and queen contestants for a high seas adventure celebrating

the theme "A Pirate's Life For Me."

A towering pirate ship anchored the stage and provided a colorful background for the group's opening number, which was

a rollicking performance that had contestants talking eye patches to knee-high boots and a parrot-on-the-shoulder accessory.

The boys and girls were dressed in their best pirate wear, boasting everything

from flirty tulle skirts and eye patches to knee-high boots and a parrot-on-the-shoulder accessory.

Mistress of Ceremonies Kim Pegg herself sported an eye patch, pirate hat and

sassy red sash. Entertainment for the evening included performances by Taylor County's 2013

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Taylor County's future workforce includes teachers, rock stars, cowgirls, farmers and engineers.



(L to r) Taylor County's 2013 Florida Forest Festival royal family includes: first runners-up Gracie Simmons and Grant Turner; Little Queen Kaylan Kirk; Little King Hudson Harvey; and second runners-up Kaylee Mae Strickland and Nicholas Kinsey. Joining them is 2013 Distinguished Young Woman MaKenzie Cannon. (Photos by Photos, Frames & Trophies)

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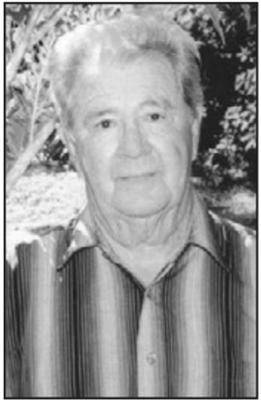


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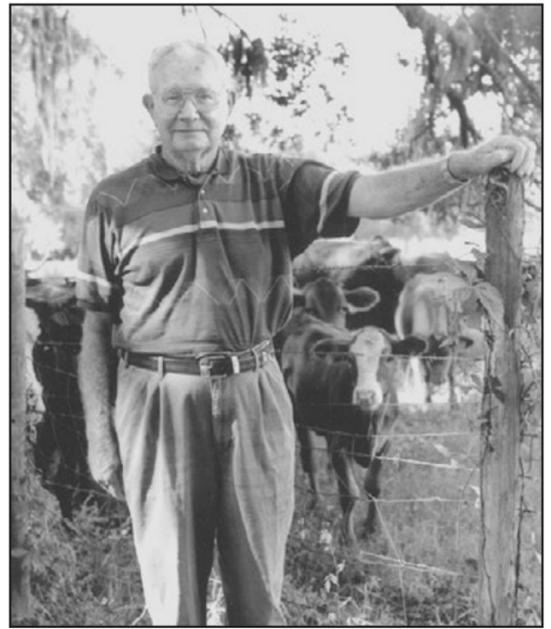
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By BARBARA ALEENE EDWARDS

I'm the daughter of a mill worker. I grew up in the north Florida woods a mile from Buckeye Cellulose Corporation, a pulp mill built by Procter and Gamble in Foley, Florida, in the early 1950s. Making pulp from pine trees is smelly business. When the wind blew the wrong way I'd think I just couldn't stand it another minute. If I complained, "Whew, Buckeye stinks today," one of my parents would always shush me with these words: "That's your bread and butter." That was confusing to a child who did not grow up during the Great Depression as my parents had. When I was older and thoughts of economic security entered my consciousness, I came to understand what my parents had been talking about.

I've had an idea for a long time to do a portrait-project documenting people from Taylor County who worked at Buckeye. Who are they? What do they look like? What are their stories? I started shooting in January of 2004. For obvious reasons, I began with the old-timers. I took a tape recorder and asked each person a predetermined set of questions that prompted the telling of their stories.

I visited with the subjects in their homes and photographed them in the setting of their choice. For example, I photographed my dad in his workshop, surrounded by old televisions, tubes and transistors. He took a correspondence course in electronics when I was about 12 years old and then ran his own radio/tv repair business on the side while he pulled full-time shift work at the mill. Like many from his generation that I've interviewed, the desperation of the "Hoover Days" (his term for the Depression) left a permanent mark on him. He loved tinkering with old, discarded TVs and radios, and his shop was the place he felt most at home.

When I asked where the subjects wanted their picture taken, many of the retirees said, "Right here in my easy chair because I never got a chance to relax when I was working." Other people wanted their pictures taken with a favorite horse or herd of cattle, an airplane, by the pool, on the deck of a beach house.

Taylor County's story is an American story. One of the things these people have in common is their connection to the pulp mill, thought by many to be the economic savior of Taylor County. I hope my photographs will put a face on, and give voice to, these particular individuals that make up a larger story-- a personal and true version of the American dream.



Reet Tanner



Lloyd Parrish



About the photographer:

A 1967 graduate of Taylor County High School, Barbara Edwards is currently associate professor of art at Tallahassee Community College. She grew up in a family whose bread and butter depended on the pulp mill built by Procter and Gamble. She is the daughter of the late Verner and Ruby Edwards.

In 2004, she launched this project focusing on the faces of those whose lives revolved around pulp and paper here, in Taylor County's version of the American dream.



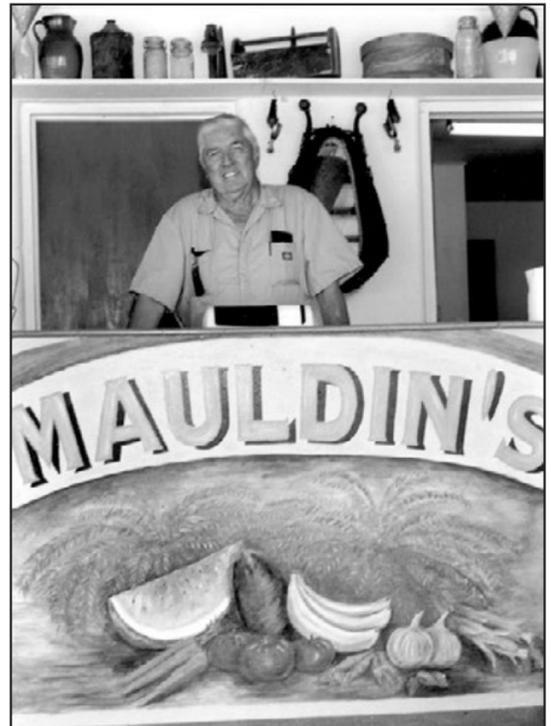
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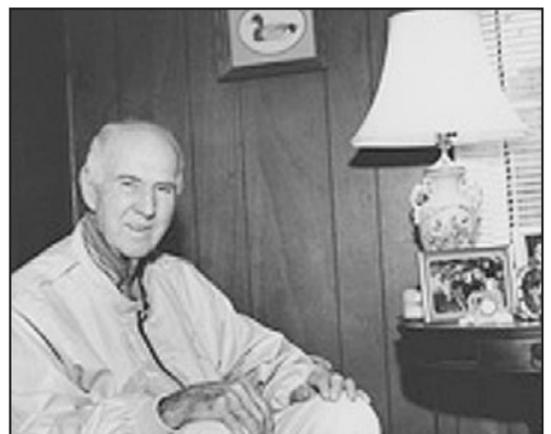
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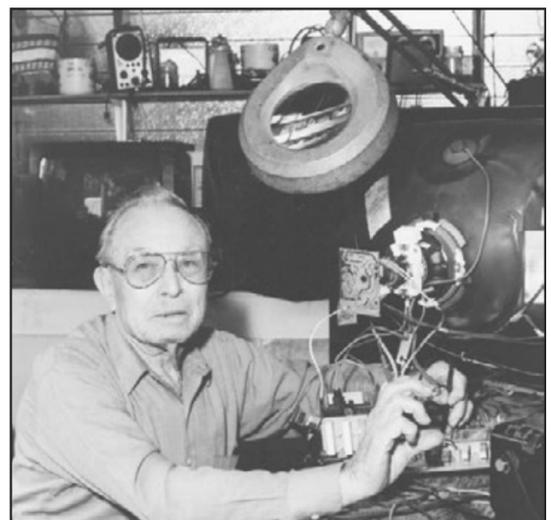
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Suwannee Lumber's roots run deep with Taylor County sawmilling families

BY DON LINCOLN

The recent sale of Suwannee Lumber Co. in Dixie County ended more than 60 years of ties to sawmilling families in Taylor County.

Suwannee Lumber, which sits on the old Putnam Lumber site in the town of Shamrock just north of Cross City, got its start in 1954 when two Taylor County businessmen decided to purchase and operate the old mill.

The old Putnam Lumber Co. mill was founded in 1927 and it ran until 1946 producing southern yellow pine and cypress lumber. It was thought by many that the timber supply had run out in the late '40s prompting Putnam to close the plant.

In 1948, members of the Foley family, which long had ties to the huge Brooks-Scanlon mill in Taylor County and for which the town of Foley is named, bought and operated the mill until 1952 when it was once again closed.

Two years later, two Perry businessmen purchased the sawmill and formed Suwannee Lumber Co.

Judson B. Faircloth and George T. Dickert were friends and business partners in Perry when the opportunity arose in 1954.

Faircloth was the Perry dealer for International Harvester and Dickert was working for his father at Perry Lumber Co. At the time, the pair owned a small portable sawmill that they used to make extra money when they weren't working their primary jobs.

In the early 1950s a revolution was happening in the timber industry. Pulp mills were being built,

reforestation had begun and, for the first time, more trees were planted than harvested.

There was a lot of small timber around and sawmillers soon found they could harvest mid-sized trees to produce chips for pulpwood as well as small dimension lumber.

Joe Foley joined Faircloth and Dickert as a partner in 1965 and the trio operated Suwannee Lumber until 1992.

The markets turned sour in the early '90s and as the trio of owners were getting older, the operations were turned over to their sons. Bump Faircloth and John Faircloth joined Daniel and Michael Dickert as well as Michael Foley as the new generation to operate the plant.

Since the younger owners got involved, production has increase 10-fold.

In 1994 Suwannee Lumber was producing 15 million board feet per year. Over the next two decades a variety of investments and improvements would increase annual production to 150 million board feet.

In 1996 the company constructed a new \$8 million mill that eventually helped increase production to 35 million board feet. In 1998 the planer mill was rebuilt from the ground up and in 2000 a new chip-n-saw sawmill was installed increasing production to 50 million board feet.

A major expansion was completed in 2004 that saw the mill get a new trimmer, a log line and sharp chain extension.

In April of 2005 Suwannee Lumber "double shifted" the mill, increasing production to 120 million board feet.

In 2008 the company was the first to install a southern yellow pine HewSaw -- a device that scans and sets timber for maximum production.

Suwannee Lumber also operates a firewood business in Lake City that distributes throughout the eastern seaboard and a lumber shipping facility in Adel, Ga. The company operates a ground cover division that provides manufacturing and bagging of various mulch and soil products as well as a retail hardware store.

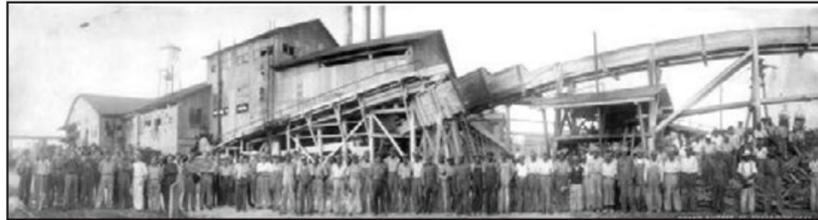
The company currently

employs 330 people with a \$10 million annual payroll. They are the largest private employer in Dixie County.

Earlier this summer

Suwannee Lumber was acquired by an affiliate of Blue Wolf Capital. The company's CEO Bump Faircloth and its President

Daniel Dickert have invested alongside Blue Wolf and will remain as part of Suwannee Lumber's management team.



Employees gathered for a panoramic group portrait in 1939 in front of the cypress sawmill of the Putnam Lumber Co. in Shamrock, Florida. Photo courtesy of the State Archives of Florida, Florida Memory, <http://floridamemory.com/items/show/96222>.



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Ceremonies will begin shortly before noon (11:50 a.m.) with members of the Taylor County High School JROTC Color Guard raising the flag and Kaitlyn Smith singing the national anthem.

Special guests, including 2013 Florida Forest Festival Little King Hudson Harvey and Little Queen Kaylan Kirk, will be introduced following the invocation.

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The winning entries were as follows:

0-6 months: first place, Amelia LaValle, parents—Laurel and Ben LaValle; second place, Braylin Murphy, parents—Tara Baker and Seth Murphy; third place, Kayden Coulliette, parents—Jamie and Matthew Coulliette.

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Hoopes, parents—Sara Sutterfield and Tracy Hoopes; second place, Chloe Strickland, parents—Juliah and Michael Strickland; third place, Tanner Lee Williams, parents—Lauren Johnson and Tevin Williams.

One year: first place, Liam Hill, parents—Nikki and Jeffery Hill; second place, Alba Newberry, parents—Taylor and Jacob Newberry; third place, Landen Vinson, parents—Sara and Jason Vinson.

Two years: first place, Jack Johnson, parents—Erin and Darren Johnson; second, Emma Agner, parents—Coleen and Chad Agner; third place, Colton Hathcock,

parents, Kelly Kuehn and Chris Hathcock.

Three years: first place, Karis Whitfield, parents—Suzanne and Curt Whitfield; second place, Alissa Russ, parents—Joni and Heath Russ; third place (tie), David Williams, parents—Courtney and Trenton Williams; third place (tie) Kirah Dibler, parents—Beth and Donnie Dibler.

Four years: Maydin Murphy, parents—Courtney Hill and Destin Murphy; second place, Gavyn Cruce, parents—Georgette and Brian Cruce; third place (tie), Riley Lynn Sadler, parents—Brittany Sadler; third place (tie), Cadie Agner, parents—Coleen and Chad Agner.



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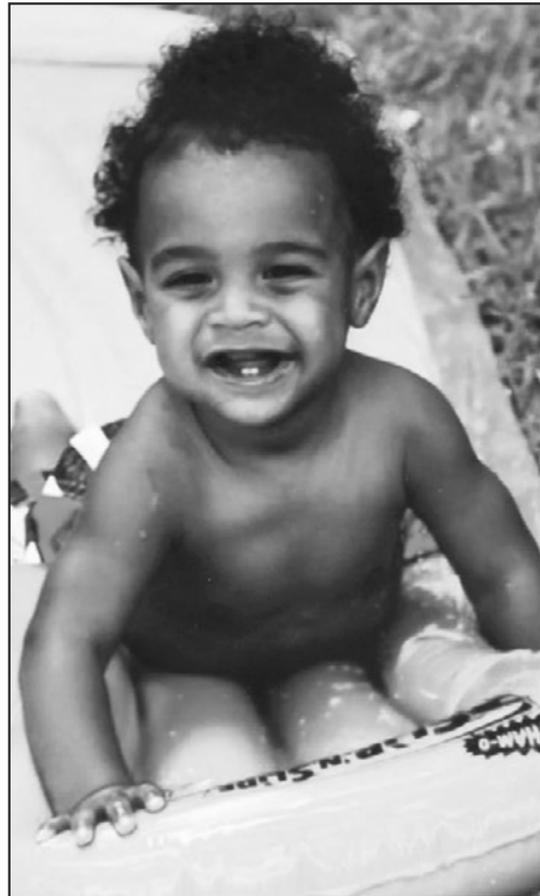
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Williams, Hill bid farewell

LIT KING, QUEEN
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Distinguished Young Woman (DYW) MaKenzie Cannon and first runner-up Jessica Welch, along with DYW contestants Brittany Stalans and Annsley Bohlman.

Contestants returned to the spotlight dressed in outfits that answered the question "What I Want to Be When I Grow Up" loud and clear: everything from a nurse ("Because my mom is one") and an engineer ("Because they make a lot of money") to country singer Jason Aldean ("Because I like his songs").

Following a slide show featuring the contestants, the boys and girls took a spin on stage dressed in formal wear.

Each was asked a question drawn at random, ranging from, "What happens if it rains lollipops?" to "Why do you have to take a bath?"

Capping the program was a farewell appearance by 2012 Little King Kingston Williams, the son of Quantasha and Brett Denmark, and Willie Williams, and Little Queen Miley Hill, the daughter of Tyson and Juanita Hill.

When it came time for the winners to be announced, contestants cheered for one another and clapped as the new royalty stepped forward to accept their crowns.

Co-Chairs Bowden and Freeman expressed their thanks to all the volunteers who assisted with the program, including: The Buddy's Relay For Life team, Stacey and Abby Fike, Hannah and Tammy Davis, Sarinah Anthony, Haley Johnston, Magan Bowden, Marti Skow and Rusty Nowlin along with Lana Norborg, Bernice Island and Cheryl Nix.



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We enjoyed watching all of you in A Bounty of Treasures! You are all Beautiful!



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King of the loaders

Cash prizes and trophies will be awarded for the top three spots in the annual Florida Forest Festival loader competition, which will begin at 1:45 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 26. Registration will be open from 12-2 p.m.; participants must be 18 years old.

Saw competitions set for Saturday

The 58th annual Florida Forest Festival chainsaw and crosscut saw competitions will be held Saturday, Oct. 27, at Forest Capital State Park.

The event will be located near the southeast corner of Forest Capital Hall, next to the log loader competition.

Registration will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. with the

Arts and Crafts Jewelry, toys, clothing and Christmas decorations

Artisans and crafters from around the region will be at the Florida Forest Festival, with approximately 50 vendors set to showcase their wares this year.

The arts and crafts area is located in the fenced-in section next to the Garden Club.

The 2013 line-up of arts and crafts will include:

- framed art and photography;
- hand-crafted metal, glass and beaded jewelry;
- leather and wood crafts;
- children's toys;
- wine bottle lanterns;
- driftwood and cedar decorations;
- live plants;
- handbags and quilts;
- homemade jellies, jams, preserves and candles;
- handmade children's clothing;
- and Christmas items and decorations.

No reason to leave hungry

Some 25 food vendors will be vying for your patronage at this year's Florida Forest Festival.

Regular favorites will be in abundance, from hamburgers and hotdogs to pizza, barbecue ribs and fried seafood. Adding an international flavor will be a number of Mexican and Greek selections.

For a sweeter touch, look for fruit smoothies and ice cream along with festival traditions such as elephant ears and funnel cakes.

Taylor County has many who can be called a 'Master Logger'

Who are the Master Loggers in Taylor County?

According to the Florida Forestry Association, the following Taylor County loggers have attained the designation of "Master Logger" and represent "the finest of forestry," having been schooled in best management practices and sustainable forest initiatives.

A round of applause for: Adam L. Sewell and John D. Johnson Jr. of Foley Contractors, Inc.; Charles T. Sparks and Bradley A. Williams of Williams Timber, Inc.; Chad Agner of Agner Timber Services, Inc.; Buddy Covington, Louis Anderson, Gary Brett, John Lundy, Ozell Bryant, Rodney Schwab, Richard Schwab and Chad W. Schwab of M.A. Rigoni, Inc.; Jamie Boland, John Boland, Ray Sears,



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Retirees honored at Heritage Luncheon

Area forest industry retirees will be saluted at the 15th annual Heritage Luncheon on Thursday, Oct. 24, at 12 noon. The lunch is sponsored by the Florida Forest Festival, and Foley Timber and Land

Company. The Division of Forestry will also contribute to the event by displaying a collection of local historic pictures.

Event Chairman Travis McCoy said invitations have been extended for this

special occasion "which highlights the heritage of the forest industry in our county and the surrounding area."

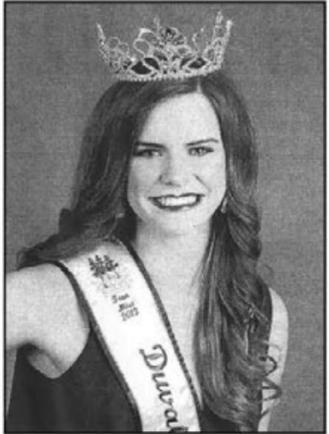
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Since being crowned in March, Taylor County's slate of forestry queens has been very active in the community. Shown above at the Pickin' in the Pines Music Festival held in September are (from l to r): Allie English, Junior Miss Taylor County Forestry Queen Mackenzie Nowlin, Smokey Bear, Teen Miss Taylor County Forestry Queen Haley Jones, and Miss Florida Forestry Tiny Miss Hospitality Queen Addison English.



National Forestry Queens on front row, left to right, include: Hannah Classon, Miss Hospitality; Maggie Carter, Junior Miss; Kady Booth, Baby Miss; Giavanna Lyerly, Tiny Miss; McKenzie Ford, Teeny Miss; and Abby Goddard, Little Miss. (On back row, left to right) Rae Evans, Overall People's Choice Queen; Nikki Love, Ms. Queen; Emma Webb, Miss Queen; and Emma Sapp, Teen Miss.

Forestry queens will be out in force at festival

A full flotilla of Forest Queens from the local, state and national levels will be on hand this week for the 58th Florida Forest Festival.

In all, about 46 queens are expected to take part in festival events.

They can first be seen at the Florida Forest Festival Kids' Parade held Friday, Oct. 25, around the Courthouse Square. Following the parade, they will be signing autographs at Katie's Courtyard.

Taylor County's local queens will then host the visiting queens at a dinner catered by Goodman's Barbeque.

During Saturday's King

Tree Parade, which will run along Jefferson Street beginning at 10 a.m., there will be three full floats of forestry queens.

In addition to the visiting state and national representatives, county forestry queens from Suwannee, Lafayette, Hamilton and Dixie counties are also expected to attend.

After the parade, the queens will be introduced on stage at Forest Capital State Park at 12 noon and 2 p.m., and in between will be signing autographs at the Florida Forest Service's booth. They will also assist with serving at the World's Largest Free Fish Fry and

take part in a guided tour of Forest Capital State Museum.

The National and State

Forestry Queens promote forestry programs in Florida and all over the United States. They make numerous

appearances in parades, at festivals, luncheons, schools and many community and civic events. The Forestry

Pageant is a scholarship program which "helps promote their educational endeavors."

Rolling out the red carpet

The Perry Woman's Club (PWC) will roll out the red carpet for dignitaries who travel to Perry for the 58th annual Florida Forest Festival.

Nearly a hundred invitations have been mailed to visiting queens, politicians and forestry industry representatives.

These festival dignitaries are invited to gather at the Perry Woman's Club from 8:30-10 a.m. for breakfast pastries and refreshments before the beginning of the King Tree Parade.

Supervisor of Elections Dana Southerland, a member of the PWC, will coordinate this event, assisted by staff from her office.

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2013 Florida Forest Festival Schedule of Events

Thursday, Oct. 24
 Fireworks (Perry-Foley Airport) 8 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 25 (Downtown Perry)
 Strutt Your Mutt 6 p.m.
 Kids' Parade 6 p.m.
 Kid's Fun Run 7 p.m.
 Gaslight Classic Car Parade 7 p.m.
 Street Dance 7 p.m.
 Scary Stories 8 p.m.

FESTIVAL DAY -- Saturday, Oct. 26

Cub Scout Breakfast - 7-9:30 a.m.
 King Tree Parade (Downtown) - 10 a.m.
 Lumberjack Shows - 12 noon, 2:30 & 4 p.m.
 Kids Lumberjack Camp 2:30 p.m.

MAIN STAGE ENTERTAINMENT

National Anthem & Color Guard	11:50 a.m.
CS Holt Band	12:30 & 2:50 p.m.
Casey Weston	1:40 & 4 p.m.
Hush Puppy Eating Contest	2 p.m.
Betsy Badwater	5 p.m.

All Day
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Queen MaKenzie Cannon is surrounded by her court (left to right) Jessica Welch, Annsley Bohlman, and Brittany Stalans.

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