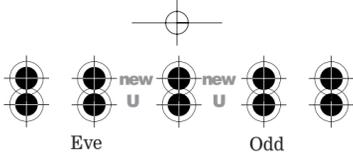


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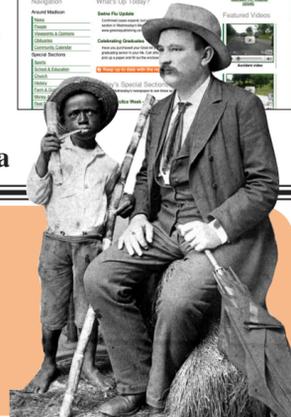
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MCHS Football Banquet Set For Monday

Tickets available at the door

The Madison County High School football banquet will be held Monday, Jan. 18, at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$10 each and may be purchased at the door.

There will be a special guest speaker, still to be announced.

Lee Wishing Farewell To Town Manager

By Michael Curtis
Greene Publishing, Inc.

On Friday, Jan. 15, from 3 - 5:30 p.m., the Lee Town Council and Mayor will be hosting a farewell party for Town Manager Cheryl Archambault, who is leaving the position after 11 years of service. Archambault joined the Town of Lee as clerk in 1998, and then became town manager in 2000 when the council voted to amend its charter to provide for the expanded position.

During her years of service to the Lee community, as well as in her role as executive leadership with the Madison County Development Council, Archambault caught the attention of public



Cheryl Archambault

and private organizations seeking her leadership. One of these relationships matured into a professional career offer, which she

accepted.

Working closely with the council and mayor, who have often expressed their deep appreciation for Archambault's accomplishments, she also served as an officer in this region's Florida League of Cities.

"We will miss Cheryl very much. She has served Lee like family and has provided over a decade of service and sacrifices to get the job done. Fortunately, she remains part of the community and will always be welcome in our home," Kinsey stated.

The entire community is urged to drop by, share a snack and hug, and perhaps a story or two with Cheryl, her friends and family.

Michael Curtis can be reached at michael@greenepublishing.com.

Broncos To Vie For Crown Conference Title



Greene Publishing, Inc. Photo By Michael Curtis, December 17, 2009

The Madison County Central School Broncos will play Baker County for the Florida Crown Conference Championship next Thursday, Jan. 21, beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the Central School Gym. The Madison County Central School Boys' Basketball team has been thrilling fans and dominating opponents all season. Pictured front row left to right are: Eric Bright, Carl Jackson, Coddrick Griffin, Brice Hamilton, Seth Mulnar, Alex Brown, Shamar Demory, Sharod Jones, and Akevious Williams. Pictured middle row left to right: Jacob Moore, Jaquez Arnold, Jaylon Hazzard, Terell Boatman, Ivan Johnson, Ladarius Robinson, Deonshay Wells, Deontaye Oliver, and Travis Mitchell. Pictured back row, left to right: Head Coach Charlie Barfield and Coach Keith Webb.

Lee Cason Passes Away

Lt. Col. Orvis Levant "Lee" Cason, Jr., age 88, died Tuesday, Jan. 12, 2010, in Tallahassee.

Funeral services will be Saturday, Jan. 16, 2010, at 3 p.m. at Beggs Funeral Home, Madison Chapel, with Rev. Eddie Humes officiating. Burial at Oakridge Cemetery.

Visitation will be one hour prior to the service, from 2-3 p.m. Donations may be made to Disabled American Veterans, P.O. Box 14301, Cincinnati, OH 45250-0301.

He was born in Samson, Alabama, on July 7, 1921, to Orvis L. Cason, Sr. and Loree Hartman Cason. He later lived in Geneva, Alabama, and graduated high school there. After graduation, he went to work for the Alabama State Road Department. On July 7, 1942, his 21st birthday, he enlisted for cadet training in the Army Air Corps and was accepted. He was trained as a pilot bombardier and navigator in B-24s. During World War II, he was stationed with the 5th Air Force, 64th Bomber Squadron, 43rd Bomber group in the Southwest Pacific from 1943-1945, and flew 46 combat missions. In 1947, he switched to the newly created United States Air Force. He joined the Air Force Reserves Oct. 1, 1969, and taught bombardier school, and then retired from the reserves March 26, 1981. After the war, he attended the University of Florida and graduated in 1952 with a degree in forestry. He joined the United States Department of Agriculture, where he worked until his retirement in 1980. He continued to stay busy as a freelance reporter and also as District Supervisor for the USDA until June 1998.

He was active in his church, First Baptist of Madison, and was an ordained deacon. He was a member of the church choir and also coached the church softball team for many years, as well as being an active member in the Senior Adult Ministries. Due to ill health, he was honored with the title of Deacon Emeritus in 2005. He worked tirelessly with the Future Farmers of America, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, the Farm Bureau and the annual Livestock Show and also volunteered for years as a mentor at the Madison Primary School and as an aide to several teachers.

He is survived by his wife of 21 years, Charlotte; two sons, Dean Cason and wife Christine of Denver, Col., and Clark Cason and wife Christine of Denver, Col.; three stepchildren, Michael Anderson and wife Terry of Lake Charles, La., Karen Hackett and husband Scott of Douglas, Mass., and Linda Smart of Melrose; eleven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren; two sisters, Annette Taylor of Camino Island, Wash., and Phyllis Davis and husband John of Tallahassee; and many nieces, nephews and friends.

Local Weather

Fri 1/15 72/54
Generally sunny despite a few afternoon clouds. High 72F.

Sat 1/16 66/59
Cloudy, periods of rain. Highs in the mid 60s and lows in the upper 50s.

Sun 1/17 64/48
Mostly cloudy. Highs in the mid 60s and lows in the upper 40s.

Mon 1/18 65/41
Mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the mid 60s and lows in the low 40s.

Tue 1/19 67/44
Abundant sunshine. Highs in the upper 60s and lows in the mid 40s.

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Count Me In 2010!



Greene Publishing, Inc. Photo By Michael Curtis, January 11, 2010

The Complete Count Committee is made up of appointed and volunteer members who are dedicated to creating a comfortable and successful census in Madison County. Pictured, left to right, are: Pat Lightcap, Allen Cherry, Delores Jones, Stanford Lugg, Renita Cooks and Arnold Haire.

By Michael Curtis
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National Census Day will be held on April 1, 2010. From now until then, staff and volunteers will be meeting with organizations throughout Madison County to ensure the word gets out about the census. The role of the census is extremely important to the county and throughout the country, as huge amounts of funding and political districts are based on the results. It is literally woven into the official fabric of America.

Unfortunately, not everybody likes the idea of the census. Some feel like "Big Brother" is looking into their business. Others see it like the IRS, and dislike it even if they cooperate. Others are actually afraid of it because they believe it might create some sort of investigation into their lives or have some other negative impact on their household. In some cases, there may be confusion as multiple families live under one roof, which they don't want to reveal for one reason or another. Face it, most people feel they are entitled to their privacy.

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Jacob's Ladder
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Columnist

Cherish The Memories

A number of newfangled inventions made me cringe, but one thing I am eternally grateful for is the digital camera.

Along with film cameras, movie cameras, video cameras and audiotape recorders, the digital cameras let you capture moments forever. The plus that they have over the others is that they give you instantaneous gratification. Plus, if you don't like the photo you just took, you can delete it from the memory card.

One thing that I regret growing up is that my family hardly ever had a camera and, if they did, they hardly ever had film for it.

Another thing I regret is that many of the photos that were taken have disappeared over the years.

I was working on something for my father when I went looking for photos of my deceased brother, Robert, and my deceased sisters, Susie and Sally. The only thing that we have of Robert and Sally are photos of them in their caskets.

I also found Robert's obituary in an old *Enterprise-Recorder*, but some of the information was wrong. For example, it said that he died en route to the Madison Hospital. My father said that he died en route to Tallahassee Memorial Hospital and he died in an ambulance on the other side of Monticello. It also listed my mother's grandparents, Otto and Mamie Linton, as Robert's maternal grandparents. There was no mention of my mother's parents.

I couldn't find Susie's obituary. All I found was where she had died in Madison Memorial Hospital. There was only a single mention in the hospital news.

When my mother died, a friend gave us a videotape of her sitting in a church service. It means a lot to me to have that. I need to get it copied to a DVD.

There are so many relatives that I wished that I had tape-recorded conversations between them and me, or at least have taken the time to take notes during the conversation. So many memories are lost to the ages.

I have begun videotaping some conversations with my father where he discusses his life, growing up and his family. I have begun posting these conversations on my YouTube channel (www.youtube.com/ringlord777).

I thank God that He has been so good to me and that He is allowing a way for us to preserve family memories so they can be cherished forever.

The good thing about Nashville (and there are many) is that you're never too far from a musician. I was in such a gathering recently when the topic turned to jokes. More specifically "Nashville Jokes" wherein various musicians became the proverbial blonde in the equation.

Case in point:

How do you get a drummer off your porch?

(Answer: Pay him for the pizza.)

What do you call a harmonica player with a beeper?

(Answer: an optimist)

How do you find a guitarist in a Nashville restaurant?

(Answer: Just holler "Hey waiter!")

Oddly enough, we couldn't think of any real jokes about fiddlers, and it was theorized that that's because fiddle playin' is one of the toughest instruments to play, hence finding a good one can be a little tougher than finding a backup singer or someone to play the tambourine.

But then the question was "Who in the world came up with DRUNK as a fiddler? If they are prized among musicians, does it not stand to reason you'd need to be sober as a fiddler to crank out a tune? Was this because one can look quite inebriated



"I Didn't Know That"

by Karlen Evins

(Why We Say The Things We Say)

Drunk As A What?

when flying so fast on the bow?

To appreciate the meaning of this one, you have to go back to the origins of fiddle-playing as a

profession (as in the mother country: i.e. England). Curiously, the fiddler being one of the more unique instruments of the day, meant that if you were poor and could afford only one instrument at your event, the fiddle was most likely your pick.

The most common gigs were weddings and wakes and when peasants couldn't afford a musician, it was customary for the fiddlers to play for food and drink.

Many earned the reputation of taking full advantage of this trade and from this the phrase, "Drunk as a fiddler!" was born!

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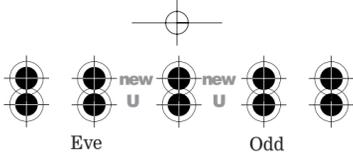
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Small Steps To Health And Wealth

With the start of a New Year, most people make resolutions to make changes in their lives. The top changes are eating better, losing weight and improving personal finances. A couple of years ago, Rutgers Extension came up with a program that combined the topics of health and personal finance. Since many of you may want to improve your health and finances this year, I thought I would share some ideas from Small Steps to Health and Wealth. The first step you need to consider is to track your current behavior.

According to Barbara O'Neil, Extension Specialist in Financial Resource Management, people often "disconnect" themselves from their personal health habits and financial practices. However, it's hard to change behavior; to improve your health or increase your wealth, when you don't fully acknowledge the problems with your current situation. O'Neil says "Trying to make changes without an identified starting point is like making a plan reservation and not indicating the airport that you've leaving from. You have to admit that you have a problem before you can take steps to address it.

Denial is common with both health and personal finance issues, even when there's ample visible evidence (like a bulging waistline or increasing credit card balance) to the contrary. Recent studies have found, for example, that many people said they were "healthy" even though they were overweight, smoked, drank too much and never exercised. Examples of financial denial are thinking you will never need long-term care or you will be ok in retirement even though you have never made an attempt to begin a retirement savings.

O'Neil suggests we consider the five A's of successful behavior change. The first is awareness, taking a good long look at your current behavior. Once, during a discussion of money habits, a program participant suddenly realized he made a trip to a store each day after work and purchased something. It may have been a small purchase like a candy bar, but he spent money every day. He actually has a shocked look on his face as he shared this realization because it had not been aware of his daily habit. The point of this example; take an inventory of your habits and become aware of the behaviors you want to change.

Ability is the second "A" you need to do before you can make a permanent change. You need to be open to the idea and be able to make a change. Third on the "A" list is ambition, the strong desire to change. You have to be motivated to want to make a change or it will never happen.

A positive attitude about changing is the fourth "A", it is an imperative ingredient if you are working toward changing old habits. Last, but not least, is action, taking the steps and doing the necessary work to actually change.

First step in getting started in changing your health and wealth for 2010 is to take a week or two to track your current behavior as the first step to change. You can't change what you are not aware of and writing it down is the best method to identify unproductive habits. You can get a copy of a log sheet by going to the Rutgers' website <http://@njaes.rutgers.edu/sshw> and download the Small Steps to Health and Wealth tracker or call the Madison County Extension office at 973-4138. Once you record your health and money behaviors for a week or two, you can begin to make plans for change.

Look for a continuation of this series, SSHW next week. For more information on building health and wealth, contact the Madison County Extension Service.

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Red, White And True Mysteries

MARION WHO?

By Paul Niemann

His name was Marion, and he was born in Winterset, Iowa, exactly one hundred years ago. I wasn't sure where that was, so I looked it up. Turns out that it is between Missouri and Minnesota. (As for Winterset, it is roughly 30 miles southwest of Des Moines.)

His father, Clyde, was the son of a Civil War veteran. Clyde and Mary had one other son, named Robert, and they were of Irish descent. The family moved to Glendale, California, which is not too far from the Rio Grande, when he was 11 years old.

His great-nephew, Tommy Morrison, is a professional boxer, who starred in one of the Rocky movies. I think it was *Rocky 16*, but I could be mistaken.

Marion's voice was as distinctive as Paul Harvey's, but he wasn't a radio star. No, Marion Morrison was an actor. In fact, his father ran a drugstore that was housed in the same building as a movie theatre, and young Marion was allowed to see several movies a week as a boy, for free. This no doubt instilled in him a love of movies.

He became one of the most popular actors of all time, and there probably isn't a person in this country who hasn't heard of him. He made more than 175 movies in his 50-year career which began in the 1920's with silent movies, and some of his movies are still being shown on TV, more than 30 years after he made his last movie in 1976.

He won an athletic scholarship to play football at USC. I don't know what his team's record was when he played, but I do know that his team wasn't one of *The Undefeated*. An injury cut short his college football career. Marion was too scared to tell his coach how he injured himself - it was a bodysurfing accident - and he lost his scholarship and had to get a job in order to pay for school.

While he was in school in the late 1920's, he worked at a few of the local film studios. He then went to work as a prop man, earning \$75 per week.

In 1930 he got his first starring role in a western movie, *The Big Trail*. He went on to become nearly synonymous with western movies, and he still went by the name of Marion at that point. This first film was a box office failure, but something good came out of it. The director and the studio head gave him his stage name that is now known all over the world - and Marion wasn't even at the meeting when they gave him his new name!

Marion's movies required him to occasionally ride in a *Stagecoach*; since he stood about 6'4" and loved riding horses, you could say that he always stood *Tall in the Saddle*. Speaking of horses, his friend James Arness also rode one in the TV show, *Gunslinger*. It was Marion Morrison who recommended James Arness for the role of Matt Dillon.

Marion became such a star that he even had an airport named after him (in Orange County, California), as well as an elementary school (in Brooklyn, New York) and a trail (in a state park in Washington).

Marion was married three times, all to Hispanic women. He was divorced three times, too. He had four daughters and three sons, and these seven kids produced 18 grandchildren.

There are many things for which Marion Morrison is known, but you know him by both his nickname and his stage name: The Duke, John Wayne.

He starred with legendary actresses such as Marlene Dietrich, Katharine Hepburn and Maureen O'Hara. It was O'Hara who once said, "No other description for John Wayne is necessary than this: American."

There's one other thing that you should know about the Duke: His drawl and the way he walked were not natural. The man born as Marion Morrison made them a part of his character when he became an actor.

And how did he get the nickname of Duke? That was the name of the dog he had as a child. The dog was known as "Big Duke" while Wayne was known as "Little Duke!"

As for all the italicized words in this story, those were the titles of some of his most popular movies.



Ramblings

Thelma Thompson
Guest Columnist

Thanks To Everyone

Good m-m-morning! I think I was mistaken about Alaska moving into Florida - if it did, the North Pole rudely shoved it out of bed and is now warming its own tootsies in the sunny sands of Key West! Oh well, as is often heard, "this too shall pass," but I hope it speeds up its departure.

This column is a message of thanks to many people. I hardly know where to start, but the first one must be Danny Hales, who apparently had no trouble persuading the Madison County Commission to dedicate the new library conference room in my honor. Thanks so much, commissioners!

Linda Hesketh brought me the news - thanks, Linda - and then Michael called the next morning to make sure I knew before he wrote an article about it. Thanks for the very nice article, Michael.

When I think of the library's very humble beginnings and of all the wonderful people who brought my dream to fruition, I realize that I am probably only a small cog in its foundation.

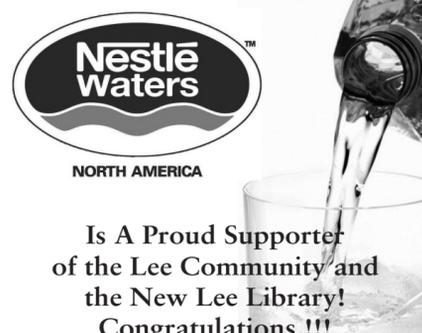
First, the Lee Town Council, Lee District County Commissioner Robert Andrews and Lee Town Lawyer, Cary Hardee, were legal instruments necessary for approval of its existence. This took about six months. Thanks to Simon Kinsey, I had the use of the tiny Lamb's Meat Market for the physical location. Again, thanks to Mike and Janice Kirkland, shelves were built, painting done and carpet installed.

Robert Andrews backed the small library all the way, even donating a \$500 bonus to it after its move to larger quarters. Ernestine Kinsey was a staunch supporter; as one of the first Friends of the Lee Library, her help was invaluable. The other members were Bill Johnson, president, Joey Miller, Charles Webb and Deanie Webb.

One invaluable contributor was Mark Cherry who donated 500 books to augment 500 I gave from my own supply. It is impossible to list all who contributed in some way, both from space to list and from memory, but some stand out: Marybelle James, T.C. Merchant, W.C. Nethery, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Goza, Susan Lamb, who offered the *Enterprise-Recorder* office as a drop-off place for donated books (and we received many there); Clyde King; Ronnie Moore; and, of course, Louis DeMotsis!

We certainly cannot leave out Kenny Hall and all the beautiful work of the Hamilton County furniture makers, nor especially, the beautiful donation from Nestle Waters! Also, those who made it beautiful: Superior Trees, Peacock Nursery and Bali's Base Street Florist.

I'm sure there were many more. Please forgive me if you were one and your name is not here. I am so grateful to one and all and so happy that, through the efforts of so many, including Danny and the new Friends of the Lee Library, that on January 24, we will stand proudly before our beautiful new building and be thankful to those who made it possible.



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- Any change that has occurred with the exemption or classification of your property should be reported to this office by March 1st of 2010.
- Change in ownership of property requires the new owner to make application for any exemption they may be entitled to, even if it is family members.
- If you move to another home, your homestead does not move with you. You must transfer the homestead in our office to your new residence. IT IS NOT AUTOMATIC.
- DEADLINE: you must make application for all exemptions by March 1st 2010 in the Property Appraiser's office on the 2nd floor of the courthouse annex, located at 229 SW Pinckney St, Room 201, Madison, Florida 32340, 8 am to 5 pm Monday - Friday, if this is not convenient please call the office to make other arrangements (850) 973-6133.
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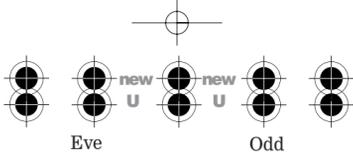
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Law Enforcement & Regional Crime

FDOT Recovers Stolen Trailer And Cargo Valued At \$275,000.00

On January 10 at approximately 10:45 p.m., a tractor trailer was stopped at the Madison Weigh-in Motion facility on I-10 for a registration violation.

The driver was advised to park the vehicle and come inside for further investigation. The driver then fled the scene on foot. Further investigation revealed that the trailer and cargo had been reported stolen from IWX Motor Freight in Springfield, Mo. The cargo, 6,000 cases of dry baby formula, is valued at \$250,000.00, and the trailer is valued at \$25,000.

The investigation is ongoing as to the circumstances of the theft and the identity of the driver.

For more information please contact Lt. Jeff Frost at 850-251-2088 or jefffrost@dot.state.fl.us.

Haitian Earthquake Relief Fraud Alert

The FBI reminds Internet users who receive appeals to donate money in the aftermath of Tuesday's earthquake in Haiti to apply a critical eye and do their due diligence before responding to those requests. Past tragedies and natural disasters have prompted individuals with criminal intent to solicit contributions purportedly for a charitable organization and/or a good cause.

Therefore, before making a donation of any kind, consumers should adhere to certain guidelines, to include the following:

Do not respond to any unsolicited (spam) incoming e-mails, including clicking links contained within those messages.

Be skeptical of individuals representing themselves as surviving victims or officials asking for donations via e-mail or social networking sites.

Verify the legitimacy of nonprofit organizations by utilizing various Internet-based resources that may assist in confirming the group's existence and its nonprofit status rather than following a purported link to the site.

Be cautious of e-mails that claim to show pictures of the disaster areas in attached files because the files may contain viruses. Only open attachments from known senders.

Make contributions directly to known organizations rather than relying on others to make the donation on your behalf to ensure contributions are received and used for intended purposes.

Do not give your personal or financial information to anyone who solicits contributions: Providing such information may compromise your identity and make you vulnerable to identity theft.

Just because you can, doesn't always mean you should

Census

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Fortunately, the officials, workers and community volunteers in charge of Census 2010 understand all of this, as do the elected local, state and national representatives. So, to make sure everybody is as comfortable as possible – and have no worries of any trouble – the government has passed laws so privacy is guaranteed and there are absolutely no penalties...regardless.

Some will say it's hard to trust this truth, but according to the census official working directly with the Madison County "Complete Count Committee," (exclusively made up of county residents), all census records are totally private, even from other government agencies. They are literally sealed under law for 72 years, like top secret government documents.

Of course, many may take a little more time and effort to believe it's safe and necessary, and that the missions of the Complete Count Committee. Working closely with the schools, churches and other community partners to get their information to all residents, their message is clear: everybody matters and "Count Me In, 2010!"

On January 11, at 11 a.m., the committee will be meeting at the Courthouse Annex, in the county commission meeting room. The public is welcome and urged to attend. The Census continues to look for workers and volunteers, and this meeting can provide additional useful information on contributing to this worthwhile cause.

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Full Implementation Of "Real ID" Begins

According to the Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, the Federal REAL ID Act of 2005, which sets new standards for the issuance of driver licenses and identification cards, took effect on January 1, 2010. It is part of a nationwide initiative to improve the integrity and security of State-issued driver licenses.

Current Florida licenses or ID cards will continue to be valid as identification for federal purposes until they expire or until December 1, 2014 for individuals born after December 1, 1964 and until December 1, 2017 for everyone else.

Convenient methods of renewing driver licenses or identification cards online or by mail will continue to be available to those who qualify.

Applicants must visit an office only:

- If you are applying for your first driver license or identification card;
- When your current credential expires and you have already used the one-time "convenience" renewal option;
- If you legally change your name (e.g.: by marriage or divorce). For office visits, you must bring original documents that prove your identity, social security number and residential address.

The physical changes on the new card involve printing of the customer's residential address, expanding the name to accommodate additional characters, and adding a security marking to help TSA agents identify it meets federal requirements. These changes will not significantly change the card's current appearance.

Many consider the card a good move toward national security, although others see it as a first step toward the controversial national ID. For more information, please visit www.GatherGoGet.com

One Madison County resident, Pastor Retis Flowers, who renewed his license prior to the law taking effect, noted the long lines of people looking to get in before the law took effect. Practically speaking, the process mostly involves applicants presenting more identification and substantiating other claims on the form. And while these extras aren't especially cumbersome, many resent government getting anymore into private affairs at all.

Madison County...

Jail Report



1/6 Danny Joe Arnold – Criminal registration	(theft) Teddy Lashay Phillips – Violation of injunction
1/7 Jorge Luis Rios – Cultivation of marijuana, possession of marijuana with intent to distribute, possession of drug paraphernalia, theft of utilities	1/10 Alpha Omega Jackson – DUI, driving while license suspended
1/8 Trevis Antonio Latimere – Possession of marijuana less than 20 grams, tag expired more than six months, attaching a tag not assigned	1/11 Dwight R. Beacham – Possession of marijuana more than 20 grams
James Dale Watkins – Unemployment compensation/fraud	Stephen Daniel Brown – Possession of marijuana more than 20 grams
David Matthew Malin – Criminal registration	James Thompson – DUI
Donovan Malachi Gonsalves – VOP (county)	Robert E. Lee – Constructive possession of a firearm by a convicted felon
Clinton Ronta Davis – Temporary hold	Tracy Denise Verdell – VOP (circuit)
Leon Leonard McQuay – Criminal registration	Dewayne Boatman – Criminal registration
Freddie Lee Williams – Arson of a vehicle, burning to fraud an insurance company	Michael David Kirkland – No valid drivers license
Leon Gallon – Trespass after warning	1/12 Sage Tamell Brown – Possession of alcohol by a minor, trespass after warning
Stephen Vincent Ford – VOP on original charges of fleeing and eluding, VOP (county)	Lee Troy Faison – Driving while license suspended
Douglas Phillip Bailey – Burglary of a residence, theft (petit)	Eric Douglas Bellido – Possession of marijuana more than 20 grams, possession of marijuana with intent to sell
1/9 Dennis Jones Ghent – Shoplifting	Joel Lopez Gamez – Failure to appear (arrestment)
	Nicholas Lee Christopher – Registration and DNA

Traffic Stop Leads To Drug Bust

By Jacob Bemby
Greene Publishing, Inc.

A routine traffic stop led to an arrest for possession of marijuana over 20 grams on Tuesday, Jan. 12.

According to a Florida Highway Patrol report, Trooper Brian Lundy conducted a traffic stop for unlawful speed and following too closely. During the stop, Madison County Sheriff's Cpl. Mike Maurice stopped to assist.

Lundy and Maurice smelled the odor of marijuana emitting from the vehicle. Maurice deployed his K-9 partner, Leo, and received a positive alert for an odor of contraband coming from the vehicle.

A subsequent search of the vehicle revealed one pound of marijuana with a street value of \$800.

Lee Troy Faison, 29, of Homestead, was arrested and charged with driving while license suspended and cited for following too close.

Faison's passenger, Eric Douglas Bellido, was charged with possession of 20 grams of marijuana and possession of marijuana with intent to sell.

Madison County Sheriff's Sgt. Dennis Pitts, Deputy Jared Lauth and Deputy Joey Knight assisted at the scene.

FHP Trooper Brian Lundy was the investigating officer.

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Obituary

Lucile Balloon Aikens

Lucile Balloon Aikens gently departed her earthly home on Jan. 8, 2010, and entered the Gates of Splendor to reach her eternal home. She was born on Aug. 1, 1924, in Madison County to Rev. Dozier John Balloon, Sr. and Leona Thompkins Balloon.

Lucile accepted Christ at a very early age and became a member of Mt. Zion A.M.E. Church in the Cherry Lake Community. From this experience and her parents' religious instruction, she learned the true meaning of Christianity and made Christ a vital part of her daily life.

Because her parents believed in educating their children, Lucile attended the Mt. Zion Church School and received her first eight years of training. They encouraged her to further her high school education, and made great sacrifices for her to attend Madison County Training School by allowing her to live away from home during the week. As a result, her next milestone in education was attaining her diploma and becoming one of thirteen graduates in the Class of 1944. Mt. Zion awarded a scholarship for her to attend Edward Waters College in Jacksonville, where she earned her two-year degree. Because of the lack of cosmetologists in Madison, and knowing Lucile's interest in this vocation, one of her professors worked to make this dream a reality by encouraging her to accept a scholarship to study cosmetology at Nixon School of Beauty in Jacksonville. She completed the course and became a licensed cosmetologist.

Lucile returned to Madison and married her high school sweetheart, Augustus Davis (A.D. "Sonnyboy") Aikens, Sr. on Sept. 5, 1946.

She later attended Florida A&M University, where she pursued her elementary education degree. She did so by teaching school during the week and taking classes at night and on Saturdays to earn her Bachelor and Masters degrees. Lucile traveled extensively across the country to attend numerous professional workshops, seminars and classes during the summer months to keep abreast with changing teaching techniques. She attended the University of Miami, St. Leo College, Florida State University, University of Colorado, University of Hawaii and University of Delaware to name a few.

In 1967, she desegregated the public school system of Madison County by becoming the first black assigned to teach at Madison High School. She taught reading there until she became the Reading Diagnostician for the county. In 1976, she returned to Madison Middle School (formerly Madison County Training School) as a reading instructor and remained in that position until she retired in 1995, after rendering 47 years of untiring service to the Madison County School System. During these years of teaching, Lucile received "Teacher of the Year" recognitions but what was most important to her was the outward display of love and respect she received from numerous students whose lives she touched throughout her career. She was a mentor in the "Take Stock in Children" Mentoring Program and served on the Madison County Foundation for Ex-

cellence in Education. Lucile was a member of many reading and professional organizations as well.

After retirement, Lucille worked tirelessly for several years in the Adult Education program at North Florida Community College. Her love for teaching continued when she accepted the position as an adjunct professor through the college for the Association of Re-



Lucile Balloon Aikens

tarded Citizens (ARC), thus giving her over 50 years of dedicated teaching.

Lucile was a faithful and dedicated member of Mt. Zion-Cherry Lake Church her entire life. Her faith in God had always been important to her. Not only attending but being actively involved in church was something established in her at an early age. She instilled these same values in her children as she taught them that in order for them to be successful, God must be first and foremost in all things.

Lucile enthusiastically served as the president of the Usher Boards, secretary of the Trustee and Stewardess Boards, church school member and missionary. She received her greatest joy when she co-chaired the Church Renovation project to enlarge and beautify the sanctuary. She also took much pride and enjoyment in decorating and landscaping the edifice.

Likewise, Lucile was a dedicated member of the Valdosta (Ga.) Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., where she held many positions including treasurer; sorority house renovation committee member and member of numerous committees.

She also enjoyed traveling each summer to sorority conventions throughout the United States and the Bahamas. Not only did she attend sorority conventions, but also accompanied her son, Chester, and his family, to numerous National Dental Association Conventions.

Following the footsteps of her mother, Leola Balloon and mother-in-law, Minnie Aikens, Lucile was a member of the Coleman Household of Ruth #3897 in Madison, where she served as the Right Noble Governor.

Lucile believed in hard work and would spend hours a day in her yard, garden and on the family farm. Her hobbies included cooking, sewing, planting flowers, growing vegetables and African violets, gardening, decorating, traveling and spending time with her family.

Lucile and A.D. were the parents of five children, and they taught each one the necessities of life to earn an education. In addition to her husband of over 63 years, A.D., Lucile is survived by her children, Barbara Aikens-Stephens of Orlando, Judge Augustus Aikens, Jr. (LaGrande) of Tallahassee, Dr. Chester Aikens (Jean) of Jacksonville, Rhonda Lucile Moore (Ronnie) of Madison and Katrina Aikens (Jerome) of Madison.

The joy of her life was her 12 grandchildren whom she cherished: JaWanda, Arters "Tip," Jasmine and Shaka Stephens of Orlando; Kaneitra Stephens Williamson (Keith) of Winter Haven; Rev. Augustus D. Aikens III (Brandy) of Tallahassee; Tara (Ismail) Jihad of Atlanta, Ga.; Adrienne (Alfred) Greer of Summerville, S.C.; Brice Aikens, Esp., of Orlando; Karel Aikens of Tallahassee; and Chet and Chae' Aikens of Jacksonville.

Her great-grandchildren include Hope, Aniyah and Madison Aikens, Khalil, Khamaal and Ruth Jihad, Chance, Jade, Janae and Amari Stephens, Aiden, Aldan and Ashton Greer.

Other survivors to cherish her memories include brothers: Rev. Dozier John Balloon, Jr. (Lillian) of Madison; Ulysses "Buddy" Balloon of Tampa; and sisters, Lillie B. Nesbitt of Madison and Leola Garvander (Arne) of Richfield, Minn.; brother-in-law, Daniel G. Aikens (Irene) of Daytona Beach; and sisters-in-law, Mattie A. Bowles of Madison and Nellie Balloon of Tampa.

Additional survivors are goddaughter, Maxine W. Phillips of Jacksonville; god-granddaughter, Fontella Monlyn of Take Stock in Children mentee and JaVonte Gibson of Madison.

Lucile will be greatly missed by her family, the Mt. Zion A.M.E. Church family and the entire community. Preceding her in death were her parents, Rev. and Mrs. Dozier J. Balloon, Sr.; siblings, Nehemiah (Roy) Balloon, Valdora Keene, Marian "Doretha" McGhee, Jessie L. Hobbs, Juanita Knight, Ulus "Bud" Balloon and Enoch Balloon.

The family will receive visitors on Friday, Jan. 15, 2010, from 4-6 p.m. at Mt. Zion-Cherry Lake A.M.E. Church, 407 N.E. Mt. Zion A.M.E. Church Avenue, Madison, FL 32340. (850) 929-4355.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, Jan. 16, at 11 a.m. at Van H. Priest Auditorium, Madison, FL 32340.

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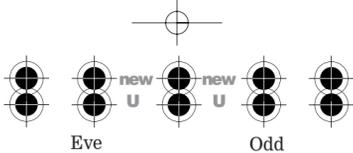
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Around Madison County

Madison Author Writes Timely Career Counseling Book

Everyone thinks about changing careers now and then. Warren Wyrstek of Pinetta knows what it's like. In his varied career, Wyrstek has been a professional cabinet/furniture maker, taught Chemistry, Physics and technical training, been Teacher of the Year, written technical training articles and books that help people pass technical tests, worked in engineering for a NYC hospital and obtained the Master of Divinity. Now, he has authored his third book about changing ca-

reers, *A Career Changer's Checklist*, available as an eBook from InformIT.com.

Wyrstek said, "The book discusses a 12-step self-diagnostic process that I have used and offer to others."

According to Wyrstek, the three most important things individuals should know when considering making a career change are:

- What you want to do
- What you like to do
- What the industry you are

interested calls what you want to do

Through a series of 12-targeted questions, you get a chance to diagnose and treat his or her career, providing you with an excellent career prognosis. In 2005, Wyrstek authored the Novell NetWare 6.5 CNA Exam Cram 2, and in 2007 was a contributing writer to the VCP-VMware Certified Professional Exam Cram. Wyrstek can be reached at www.3WSCertification.com.



At the beginning of the new year, the family of Bobby Williams wants to express their heartfelt gratitude to the staff of the Madison County Memorial Hospital. For the last 105 days of Papa's life, he was in the hospital and he could not have received better care anywhere because he was served by the community that he has been a part of all of his life. In the last season of his life, the community he served seized the opportunity and served him and we say thank you!

Dr. Bibb has been Bobby's doctor all his adult life. In this age of high tech medicine, Dr. Bibb coordinated his healthcare between the oncologist and the VA with professionalism guided by personal concern. One night, we walked into the hospital room and Dr. Bibb and Papa were watching a movie made in his hometown (Springfield, Tenn.) that he wanted to share with Papa. In this age of impersonal care, Johnson Bibb gave Papa his best. Thanks!

Jo Ann Dobson serves as a CNA and she served Papa with such tenderness and concern that we must say "Thank you, Jo Ann for your sacrificial service!"

We got to know the floor nurses of every shift, and the personal care that they gave, not only to Papa, but the concern they shared with all of us as family was above and beyond the call of duty, and we say, "Thank you all!"

Carolyn Tuten and Carol Strickland walked us through the maze of paperwork and insurance forms and never seemed to get tired of our endless questions. We would have been so lost without their knowledge and genuine care. Thank you!

The lab staff worked constantly with Papa and his blood disease and did a great job. Thanks!

Darren served Papa as his physical therapist and never gave up on him. Thanks for the trips outside!

Bart Alford served Papa by trying to help him swallow his food, and helping us swallow the reality that you can get so weak that you can't even swallow. Thanks, Bart!

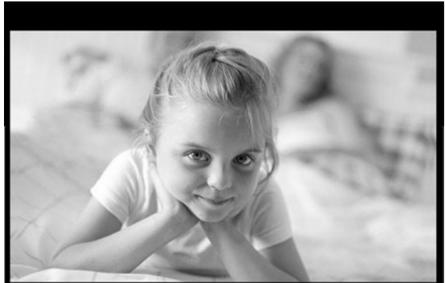
David Abercrombie is a Godsend to our community and the administrator of the hospital. He is fighting an uphill battle to help build a viable healthcare facility in Madison and he needs our encouragement and help. David, we are in! Thanks for all you and your administrative team did and continue to do to make healthcare happen for families just like us!

In no way is this an exhaustive list of all who served our papa during this season of his life, so if we missed saying it here, know that we are so thankful for all those who made the last 105 days not only bearable, but looking back actually a blessing because we see the way you serve families every day. Thank you!

The family of Robert L. "Bobby" Williams

Corky Siegel Coming To NFCC

Corky Siegel is renowned for his recordings and shows in the late 1960s and early 1970s with the critically-acclaimed Siegel-Schwall Blues Band, but he offered up a new vision in 1994 with his groundbreaking Alligator release, CORKY SIEGEL'S CHAMBER BLUES. The music integrates the structure and complex qualities of chamber music with the emotion and spontaneity of the blues. Their most recent release, CORKY SIEGEL'S TRAVELING CHAMBER BLUES SHOW!, pushes the boundaries even further out, with fresh ideas and an unabashed sense of discovery.



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Wyche Talks Trash To Madison Rotary

Madison County Sets Examples in Recycling Efforts

On Wednesday, January 13, Edward Meggs introduced to the Madison Rotary membership the Director of Madison County Recycling, Jerome Wyche as the guest speaker.

Wyche came to his current career in the recycling industry via an illustrious career of 21 plus years in the United States Air Force, followed by a stint in teaching.

He began his presentation by explaining the mission statement, vision statement and short term goals for his recycling "teammates" for 2010. His presentation was obviously supported by his satisfaction of the results of his department, and his support and appreciation of the department employees.

Wyche educated the Madison Rotarians as to the issues that face everyone, the nation, and the world with regard to garbage disposal, and the increased participation of citizens and businesses nationwide to make recycling a habit of everyday life. Recycling greatly reduces the need to bury garbage, helps to eliminate refuse from our landfills that take from 500 to 1 million years to decompose, reduces the strain on our planet to produce raw resources and works to generate much needed revenues for the Madison County Recycling Department. In fact, one would be hard pressed to say that recycling in general is anything other than a necessity.

And, Madison Rotarians made it known that recycling was at the forefront of their lives by asking spirited question after question of their guest.



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Jerome Wyche (L), Director of Madison County Recycling is shown with Madison Rotary President, Brian O'Connell. Wyche presented to Rotary members information emphasizing the need for and demands of recycling.

Few of us, including this writer, appreciate or understand the volume of garbage generated by the everyday American, and the impact this material is having especially with regard to the volume of waste. For example, food waste, such as a banana peel, will decompose in as little as three or four weeks. But that pair of worn out leather shoes you toss into the garbage will take upwards of 40 to 50 years to fade away. Think tinned cans don't take long to decompose? Think again! Over 100 years! But the real villains are items such as disposable diapers (500 years). Plastic jugs can take an unconceivable 1 million years, and get this: Styrofoam could be around till the end of time. It's enough

to make you think twice to be more responsible, at least it certainly should be. Fortunately giant steps are being made moving mankind in the right direction, and Madison County is doing its fair share and then some. Under Wyche's direction, Madison County now boasts 11 county-wide collection sites with two new sites scheduled to open in the near future. New sites located on Highway 14 and Highway 150 (Lovett Road), are currently under construction. And most people, including this writer, have always found these collection facilities to be safe, clean and professionally manned.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

January 1 - 25

It is that time of year again! Girl Scout Cookie pre-orders start January 1, 2010. Girls Scouts from across the 19 counties of the Florida Panhandle will take preorders for cookies from January 1 through January 25, 2010. Cookies will be delivered to customers starting February 13, 2010. The price is \$3.50 per box. The preorder period guarantees customers the availability and the receiving of their favorite cookies. Girl Scout Cookie Booths begin February 20, 2010.

January 1-31
The Madison County Historical Society will not meet for the month of January.

January 15-February 11
Madison Dental As-

sociates will hold a chance-drawing for an ORAL CANCER SCREENING! The Velscope Cancer screening is a \$25 value • Purchase your chance for \$1 at Madison Dental today!

January 15-16
2010 Women's Conference at Madison Church of God, with Jennifer Beckham. Friday, Jan. 15, 7 p.m.; Saturday, Jan. 16, 4 p.m.

January 17
The Ushers of Jes-lamb A.M.E. Church will be celebrating their anniversary at 11 a.m. The speaker will be Rev. Dr. Ervin Donaldson, Sr.

January 17
The Little Miss Essence and Pre-Teen Miss Essence Pageant will be held on Sunday, 3 p.m. at the Madison

County Central School Gym.

January 24-27
Revival services at Madison Church of God with Brian Boutwell. Sunday services begin at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Monday through Wednesday services begin at 7 p.m.

January 27
Madison County Shared Services will hold a meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 27, at 9:30 a.m. at the Madison County Library.

January 30
The North Florida Men's Baseball League will hold tryouts at North Florida Community College to organize Men's Baseball teams of

the North Florida region. Participants who have not already signed up can do so online at the website www.leaguelineup.com/northfloridamabl. January 30th will start events downtown Madison at 9 a.m. with the Farmers and Friends Festival which also includes a Chili Cookoff at noon. That evening at Madison County High School, a fundraiser Home Run Derby welcomes players to attend just after the MABL workout/draft. Any questions or comments can be sent to northfloridamabl@gmail.com or call 850-253-5107.

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SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING UPDATES

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Local Employers And Unemployed Benefit From Florida's 'Back To Work' Program

Encouragement for local businesses to help jumpstart a sluggish economy

According to a press release from North Florida Workforce, local employers do not have to wait to hire workers. Newly created jobs and employment of eligible jobseekers may qualify businesses for sorely needed assistance in meeting payroll. "Florida Back to Work" will reimburse eligible new employees' wages. This program can be accessed locally through Workforce, who is partnering with Agency for Workforce Innovation (AWI), the Florida Department of Children and Families (DCF), and Workforce Florida, Inc (WFI). Private, non-profit and governmental em-



Sheryl Rehberg

ployers are all eligible for this program. By taking advantage of Back to Work, employers can increase their staff without a significant increase in cost; put local residents back to work and money back into the local economy.

Workforce assists jobseekers and employers in Hamilton, Jefferson, Lafayette, Madison, Suwannee and Taylor Counties. Guidelines for this program are available on AWI's website (<http://www.floridajobs.org/workforce/backtowork/>) or by calling the Workforce office

at 866-212-9618 or 973-2672. Employers with one job opening or several job openings are encouraged to apply. Subsidized positions may be funded through September 30th, 2010. The subsidized position must be a permanent job and the employer must have the intention of retaining employees with a satisfactory job performance. Workforce would like to receive employer requests prior to January 14th, 2010.

"Our local employers are all too familiar with the unemployment rate that has been hovering around 11 percent for Florida and even higher in some of our North Florida Counties," Sheryl Rehberg, Executive Director of North Florida Workforce Development Board, said. "Over the past year, many unemployed skilled workers have lost their jobs and may qualify for this program."

ARES Holds Activity Planning Meeting

Members of the Madison County Amateur Radio Emergency Services held a planning meeting on the evening of January 12.

They gathered for the purpose of selecting activities for this new year and assigning those to be responsible for coordination.

Amateur Radio Emergency Radio Services is an organization of licensed amateur radio operators who voluntarily use their expertise and communications equipment to provide the ability to send messages in and out of areas where normal methods of communications have been disrupted by natural or man-made events.

Some of the antici-

pated activities include communications exercises with local volunteer fire/rescue departments, setting up and operating two-way radio stations from remote locations, training in proper message handling and possible social activities.

The Madison group was assisted by Kerry Lemley (Amateur Radio ID AI4CW), who is the ARES Emergency Coordinator for Gadsden County.

If you are interested in emergency communications or in becoming a licensed amateur radio operator, please call Pat Lightcap, K4NRD, Emergency Coordinator for ARES in Madison County. He can be reached at 973-2313.



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Members of ARES held a planning meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 12. Pictured left to right: Willard Keen, K14IFD; Gina McCulley, W4GNA; John Cuppett, KD4EKS, Kerry Lemley, AI4CW, and Pat Lightcap, K4NRD.

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Happenings

At Madison First Baptist Church



By Kristin Finney

"May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and by his grace gave us eternal encouragement and good hope, encourage your hearts and strengthen you in every good deed and word." 2 Thessalonians 2:16-17.

Sunday morning began with the message through song being presented by Debbie Bass. This was followed by Steve Bass giving the offertory prayer. The worship choir then followed by singing "Preach the Word." Pastor Ferrell's message came from 1 John 5:13, and Acts 22. He preached on "How you show your faith." He

asked several questions and posed many different situations. One question was, have you come to that point in your spiritual life where if you died today you know for certain that you would go to Heaven? Another scenario was, suppose you are standing before God after your death and He says to you "why should I let you into Heaven?" What would you say?

Upcoming events at Madison First Baptist are as follows: There will be a special invitation ladies "Couponing" on January 18 at 7 p.m. at the Association Office. Also January 20 will be the AWANA's club night from 6-7:30 p.m.

All parents with AWANA students are asked to attend.

AWANA is being held every Wednesday at 6 p.m. All students are welcome to be a part of AWANA or M-Pact Youth. Youth Minister Jim Carey would also like to invite everyone to join in fellowship with our youth group. They meet every Wednesday at 6:15 p.m.

We would like to invite you to join us for our services! Our worship schedule is as follows: Sunday school 10 - 11 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship 11 a.m. - 12 noon. Sunday Evening Worship 6 - 7 p.m., followed by youth dinner and fellowship until 8 p.m. Wednesday evening services begin at 6 p.m. for both the adults and youth and lasts until 8 p.m.

"So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live in him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness." Colossians 2:6-7
God Bless!

We are looking forward to God doing a mighty work at Faith Baptist Church in 2010.

Our seniors invite one and all to join them for the monthly meeting of the FAFF Club on Tuesday at 10 a.m. They have a great time doing crafts, sometimes taking field trips and enjoying a wonderful time of fellowship.

Since we are Baptist, we've got to eat and the FAFF meetings always close with a wonderful meal. The food must be good, because our Youth Pastor, Jerry Meeks, seems to always arrive at the church about the time lunch is being served.

Next Sunday, January 24, our men's Brotherhood group will meet at 7:15 a.m. for breakfast.

In fact, that will be a very busy day as Grammy nominated recording artist Karen Peck and New

What's Happening At Faith?



By Delbert Redditt,
Pastor,
Faith Baptist
Church

River will be performing at Faith at 2:00 p.m. so plan now on coming and enjoying good food, fellowship and great music. Pastor Redditt is beginning a new sermon series on Hebrews 11.

Come and hear how God takes ordinary people like you and I and does extraordinary things through them. In addition we are continuing our series on Revelations on Sunday Mornings and night.

Pastor Redditt also

writes and sends out via email a Daily Devotional.

If you enjoy his writing and would like to read more, contact him at Faith Baptist and provide an email address or email him at reddittsinmadison@embargmail.com and he would be more than happy to add you to his subscriber list.

Remember to get excited and expect great things in 2010 and never forget that Faith is fantastic.

"Catch The Spirit"

By Lilla Howerton

As we journey into 2010 let us be the change we wish to see in the world.

This week is the Madison County Prayer Vigil. This 24/7 prayer around the clock is sponsored by the Madison County Ministerial Association. Join "Madison County Prays" to intercede for the church, our county, state and nation. Plan now to join us at the Madison County Court House on Saturday, Jan. 16, at noon for the conclusion of this vital prayer vigil.

Our United Methodist Men will hold their monthly breakfast and meeting on Sun. 1/17 at 7:30 a.m. You're invited to join the men in the fellowship hall for good food, fellowship and an inspiring program.

Are you tired of there being more month than money? Are you ready to learn how to manage the money you have and learn how to be debt-free? Attend the one day Crown Financial Ministries Seminar for Madison County on Sat. Jan. 23 from 8:30 until 4:30 p.m. The First United Methodist Church of Madison is hosting this life-changing seminar in their fellowship hall. This is not a financial planner trying to sell you products.

You will receive a complimentary lunch and a comprehensive syllabus that includes a money map, which is a visual guide to true financial freedom.

Everyone is invited to participate in this life-changing seminar; that when applied, will catapult each participant on a life-long journey to true financial freedom.

The registration fee is \$25. per person and you may register by calling the church office at 973-6295 by Jan. 17. Don't miss out on this chance of a lifetime. Come join us.

Ladies, join us for an exciting Beth Moore Bible Study. The title is "Esther: It's Tough Being a Woman" and this nine week study looks at the Old Testament story of Esther as a profile in courage and contains many modern parallels for today's woman. There are two morning classes and there will be a night class, if interest is shown. The first

morning class begins Sunday, Jan. 31, at 8:30 until 10:30 a.m. in the fellowship hall. The second morning class begins Tuesday, Jan. 26, at 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. in the fellowship hall. Books are \$15. each, so call our church office at 973-6295 to join us.

Our Wonderful Wednesdays are going strong and we have a place just for children ages three through fifth grade from 5 until 6:30 p.m.

Our Youth Program is vibrant and growing. Come join the fun at 5 p.m. on Wednesdays for Junior High students and at 6:30 p.m. for the Senior High Youth Meeting.

Every Sunday is a special time at Madison First United Methodist Church. We have two worship services to accommodate your schedule. Come join us at either 8:30 or 11 a.m. and you will be blessed by Pastor Bob Laidlaw's relevant message. Last Sunday Pastor Laidlaw spoke about the First Commandment: "You must not have any other god but me." He showed us that whatever we think about, that consumes our mind, becomes our god... Isn't it freeing to know that Deuteronomy 8 tells how to obey God's Commandments with our HEART...by loving Him more than any relationship, activity, achievement or possession. Our WILL...by committing ourselves completely to Him. Our MIND...by seeking to know Him and His Word. Our BODY...by recognizing that our strengths and talents are given to us by God to be used according to His rules. Our FINANCES...by deciding that all the resources we have ultimately come from God and we are to be managers of them and not owners.

Our FUTURE...by deciding to make service to God and man the main purpose of our life's work.

We thank God for Pastor Laidlaw and Traci and ask God's richest blessings be upon them.

We invite you to visit our new website - www.madisonfumc.org and join our family of faith and "catch the spirit."

Your Church Directory

Barbara Memorial Church of the Nazarene

County Rd. 254 • Madison, FL. • 973-4160
Rev. Robert Agner, Pastor
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship.....5:30 p.m.
Bible Study, Wednesday.....7:00 p.m.
YOU ARE WELCOME!

First United Methodist Church

850-973-6295
Rev. Robert E. Laidlaw
Brian Sanderson, Youth Pastor
Service of Word & Table.....8:30 a.m.
Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.
Worship Service.....11:00 a.m.
Wed. Jr. High Youth (grades 6-8).....5 - 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Sr. High Youth (grades 9-12).....6 - 7:30 p.m.

Midway Church of God

2485 SE Midway Church Rd., Lee, FL
850-971-5200 • Pastor Retis Flowers
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Children's Church &
Morning Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Family Training Hour.....7 p.m.

Unity Baptist Church

6511 NE Colin Kelly Hwy • Madison, Florida
(Highway 145 North in Hanson)
Dr. Murrell Bennett, Pastor
(229) 559-6417 & (850) 929-4919
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship Service.....11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship Service.....6:00 p.m.
Youth Practice (Sunday Evening).....5:00 p.m.
Choir Practice (Sunday Evening).....7:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening Worship.....7:30 p.m.
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Mt. Zion A.M.E. Church

"A Friendly Church"
Cherry Lake, FL • 850-929-4355
Rev. L.L. Jefferson
Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.
Pastoral Sunday (1st & 3rd Sunday).....11:00 a.m.
Youth Church (2nd Sunday).....11:00 a.m.
Pastoral Sunday (4th Sunday).....11:00 a.m.

Hopewell Baptist Church

Highway 360 • Madison, Florida
(850) 973-6076 • Pastor Preston Gainey
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship Service.....11:00 a.m.
Discipleship Training.....5:30 p.m.
Evening Worship Service.....6:30 p.m.
Wednesday Worship.....7:00 p.m.

Madison Church of God

771 NE Colin Kelly Hwy., Madison, FL.
971-5165
Rev. Doyle Glass, Pastor
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night Service.....7:00 p.m.

Lee First Baptist Church

Lee, Florida • Corner of CR 255 & W. 90
Sunday Services
Morning Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Sunday Bible Study.....9:45 a.m.
Discipleship Training.....6:00 p.m.
Sunday Evening Worship.....7:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening:
Services Wed Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.
Team Kids.....6:30 p.m.
Children / Youth Activities.....6:30 p.m.
Adult Choir.....8:00 p.m.

Faith Baptist Church

1135 US 90 East • Madison, FL • 850-973-2887
Delbert Redditt, Pastor
Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Discipleship.....5:00 p.m.
Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.
Prayer Meeting, Wednesday.....6:45 p.m.
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Sunday Morning Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Wednesday Fellowship
Supper/Bible Study.....6:00 p.m.
Youth Groups 1st - 12th Grades.....6:30 p.m.
Choir Practice.....7:30 p.m.
Friday Men's Prayer Breakfast.....7:00 a.m.
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Hanson United Methodist Church

850-973-6105
290 NE Daisy Street • Hanson, FL
(7.5 miles from Madison on Hwy. 145)
Rev. James Howes, Pastor
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship.....11:15 a.m.
Sunday Evening Bible Study.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Evening Prayer Service.....7:00 p.m.
Choir Practice Sun. Evening.....5:00 p.m.
ALL ARE WELCOME! PLEASE COME.

Mt. Zion A.M.E. Church Madison

518 West Dade Street • Madison, FL 32340
(850) 973-3726
Rev. Charles W. Evans, Pastor
Min. James Ray.....Associate Pastor
Min. Margie Evans.....Associate Pastor
Sunday School.....9:30 a.m.
Worship Service.....11:00 a.m.
Thursday Bible Study.....5:30 p.m.
Friday Choir Rehearsal.....7:00 p.m.
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Valdosta Celebrating Sesquicentennial

Circle January 15 on your 2010 calendar. That day will mark the beginning of a year long birthday party to celebrate Valdosta's Sesquicentennial, 150 years old and still counting. Truly, Valdosta is "A City Without Limits."

On December 7, 1860, the charter was signed by the Georgia Legislature officially recognizing Valdosta as a town. A committee of your neighbors has been busy since December of 2008 planning this extravaganza. Each month of 2010 there are special activities highlighting Valdosta's history and future and present.

The sesquicentennial celebration will begin with a train whistle and the ringing of downtown church bells at 5:55 p.m., signaling the kick-off event. Downtown 'Dostafest: Where it all began, the first of many sesquicentennial events throughout 2010. The actual event will begin with an official ceremony at 6 p.m., on the Lowndes County Courthouse steps. City and county officials, as well as other dig-

nitaries, will be featured in this ceremony.

Downtown will then come alive with street musicians, barbershop quartets, and horse and buggy rides. Actors in costumes will be at every historic building to tell the story of that building. A dramatic presentation, "From Troupville to Valdosta," will relate the move from Troupville to Valdosta after the Savannah Railway decided to route its line through Valdosta in 1859. The play was written by Jacque Wheeler of VSU and will be performed by the VSU Theater Actors. It will be presented every 45 minutes at the Dosta Theatre. There will be a Doc Holliday look-alike contest, and shopkeepers will be in period costumes. "We'd love to have everyone wear a vintage costume," said Sementha Matthews, chairperson of the committee planning the celebration, "but that's not a requirement. Just come downtown and fill the streets and sidewalks with happy faces. We will even have stick-on vin-

tage mustaches for everyone to wear."

Theatre Guild actors dressed in era costumes will be positioned in front of downtown landmarks sharing historic trivia. Painted backdrops for photo ops, horse and carriage rides, kid zones, and more will add to the atmosphere.

City Hall has commissioned a special coin to be struck.

A cookbook of vintage recipes will be created. The sections in the cookbook reflect Valdosta: "Church Night Supper," "Grandma's Favorites," "Peaches, Pecans, and Peanuts," "BBQ & Tailgating" to name just a few.

The coin cost is \$10 and the cookbook will cost \$20. Both may be ordered at the Downtown 'Dostafest: Where It All Began celebration. A coloring book is now being prepared that tells the story of Valdosta. It will be given to every elementary school student in Valdosta and Lowndes County.

The year-long celebra-

tion, complete with a birthday cake, will culminate at City Hall December 7, the actual date of our birthday.

Sementha Matthews, Public Information Officer for the City of Valdosta, is chair of the Valdosta Sesquicentennial Planning Committee, but Sementha is quick to note that the committee is made up of a cross section of hard working citizens, and that these folks are the ones that are doing the work. For more information go to the website, www.valdostacity.com. Click on the red button with the birthday cake in the center.

You can find a map and the story of each of the downtown historic buildings. Take a walking tour of downtown Valdosta. The variety of architecture alone is worth a tour. It began with the Victorian Era (18-60-1950) Eclectic Era (1880-1895) Modernistic Era (1920-1945), and the Present Era.

Happy Sesquicentennial, Valdosta. May you have many more years!!

Congratulations to Valdosta, Ga. on 150 years!!

Congratulations, Valdosta on our Sesquicentennial Year... 150 Years and Still Counting! We are proud to be a part of such a "City Without Limits!"



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Madison County Sheriffs



Photo courtesy of Ben Stewart

Ben Stewart has served as Madison County Sheriff since Dec. 2008.



Let's turn back the clock to the 1800s and wind it forward to 2010 as we look over photos of sheriff's from Madison County.

Madison County Sheriffs not pictured include: E.F. Dickinson (1889-1897); E.F. Armstrong (1897-1905); A.D. Stanton (1905-1917); R.L. Milliner (1917-1921), M.A. Parker (1921-1925), and Joe Peavy (1972-2000).



Photo courtesy of Florida Archives

S.L. Morrow was the sheriff of Madison County from 1925-1937.



Photo courtesy of Florida Sheriffs Association

Pete Bucher served as Madison County Sheriff from 2000-2008.

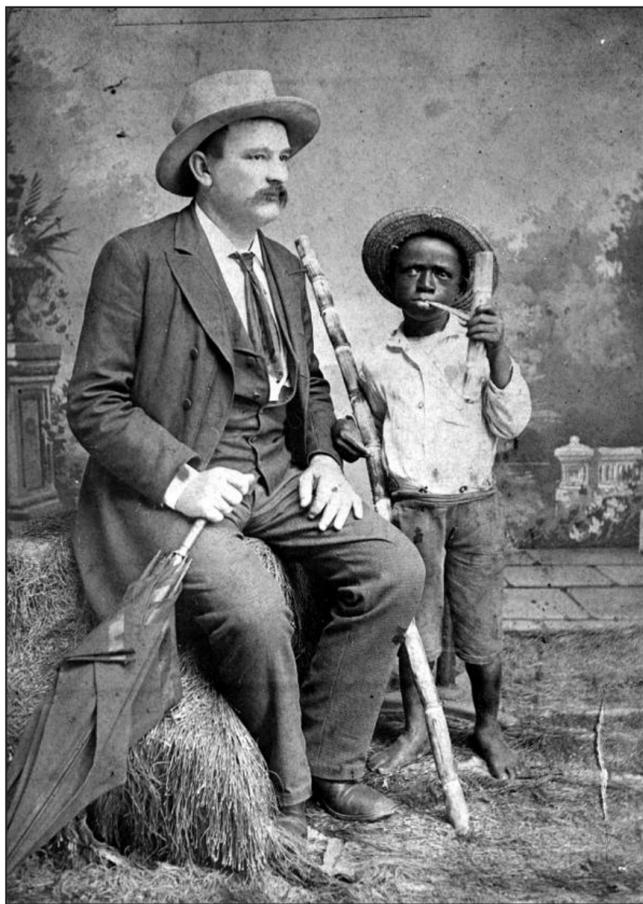


Photo courtesy of Florida Archives

Theodore Willard is a former Madison County Sheriff from the 1800s. He had a black boy named "Dude" who accompanied him.



Photo courtesy of Florida Archives

David Montgomery was a carpetbagger from up north, who came to Madison County and served as sheriff during the 1870s.



Photo courtesy of Florida Archives

Lonnie Davis served as sheriff of Madison County from 1937-1949.



Photo courtesy of Florida Archives

Simmie Moore was Madison County Sheriff from 1949-1972.

Way Back When

January 13, 1910

Dr. Mickler and Mr. Hugh Davis made a business trip to town Friday.

Misses Nora and Helen Frier returned home Wednesday. They had a very pleasant visit at Tillmans, Ga.

Rev. R. Hacker filled his appointment at the Baptist Church in Lee Sunday.

Mr. Austin Williams left Monday for Live Oak where he will visit his sister.

January 13, 1950

J.B. Davis is spending several days in Atlanta, Ga. attending an Allis-Chalmers farm equipment meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Williams and family moved back to their farm north of Lee Tuesday to begin work for this year's crop, since living here with the former's mother, Mrs. E.B. Williams, and running

the Lee service station.

Senator Turner Davis is one of the lawyers in the Sistrunk civil rights case trial in Jacksonville this week.

Fire broke out about noon Friday in the Gibson Sawmill slab pile, but was put under control by the fire department without damage to the machinery or lumber.

January 15, 1960

President J.L. Brinson has announced the promotions of A.G. (Fish) Herring and C. (Boogie) Schnitker at the Florida Bank of Madison. Herring is now vice-president and cashier and Schnitker is now vice-president.

Madison High School won its seventh straight basketball game beating Branford Tuesday night by a score of 91-69. Donnie Floyd was the top scorer for Madison with 35 points.

The cheerleaders and majorettes will conduct a road toll for the Teenager's March of Dimes on Saturday at the traffic light on Base and Range Streets.

An all-girls travel basketball team, the Arkansas Travelers, will play a Greenville town team next Tuesday in Greenville.

January 16, 1970

The Mayor and the City Council have signed a franchise agreement with Madison Cable T.V., Inc., to bring cable television to Madison.

At its annual Stockholders and Directors Meeting on Jan. 8, the Florida First National Bank elected Mrs. Bernice Bodenstein to the position of assistant cashier.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mickler entertained eighteen members of their family Wednesday evening at their home at a birthday dinner honoring their son, Dr. Frederick Mickler of Jasper.

John Henry Phillips has been chosen chairman of the Madison County School Board. Homer Bailey is the new vice-chairman.

January 18, 1980

Tori Webb, Kim Newman and Terri Leggett will vie for the title of Miss NFJC.

Danny Hales, director of the Suwannee River Regional Library, will speak at the Rotary Club meeting on Jan. 23.

Ed and Betty Wilson were in Tampa last weekend to attend an insurance meeting.

Mrs. James Conway and Mrs. Thomas Strobel were unanimously welcomed as new members of the Woman's Club at its Jan. 10th meeting.

TOWN OF GREENVILLE
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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
TOWN ATTORNEY SERVICES

The Council of the Town of Greenville, Florida is seeking sealed proposals from law firms and individual attorneys for Town Attorney Services. Proposals will be received until 12:00 p.m. February 1, 2010, in the office of the Town Hall of the Town of Greenville at 154 SW Old Mission Avenue, Greenville, Florida. Sealed proposals should be clearly marked "Proposal for Town Attorney Services". Questions should be directed to, and specifications may be obtained from the Town Clerk (850) 948-2251. The Town of Greenville reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, to negotiate changes in the new scope of work or services to be provided and to otherwise waive any technicalities or informalities and to award the contract in the best interest of the Town. EEO/AA

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TRUCKING RESTRICTIONS LIFTED FOR FREEZE-VULNERABLE CROPS

Florida Agriculture Commissioner Charles H. Bronson is alerting the state's agricultural producers that highway restrictions have been eased so that they can quickly harvest and transport crops that are vulnerable to the freezing weather that continue to affect Florida.

On Tuesday, Bronson requested that Governor Charlie Crist declare a state of emergency and issue an Executive Order directing the state Department of Transportation to relax the weight, height, length and width restrictions for commercial vehicles transporting vulnerable crops to processing sites. Governor Crist signed Executive Order No. 10-01, which takes effect January 5, 2010, and remains in effect for 14 days.

"Transporting the vulnerable crops to processing sites without delay is necessary to save them from destruction and the relaxation of the restrictions on the weight, height, length and width for commercial vehicles transporting these crops is necessary to protect the agricultural interests of the state," Governor Crist stated in the Executive Order.

After reviewing data from around the state to assess the impact that the severe cold weather is having on crops, Bronson requested the Governor issue the Executive Order when it became apparent that the freezing weather would continue for several more days and that growers needed to harvest and transport crops as quickly as possible to help lessen their losses.

"This freezing weather has created a serious situation for our state's agricultural producers, who now must rush to harvest their crops to prevent further losses," Bronson said. "The temporary easing of highway restrictions enables farmers to more quickly transport their crops to processing facilities and help avoid financial disaster."

Bronson has alerted organizations representing the state's agricultural producers and trucking in-

terests of the governor's action so they can load and transport crops in accordance with the relaxed highway restrictions.

"Florida's growers produce nearly all our nation's domestically produced fresh fruits and vegetables during the winter," Bronson said. "There is much at stake, both for our state's farmers and for consumers all across the United States who count on Florida to provide them with fresh domestic produce in the winter."

For more information about the weight, height, length and width restrictions for vehicles transporting crops on Florida's highways, visit <http://www.Florida-Agriculture.com> (after 8:00 a.m. on 01-06-2010).

The severe cold weather threatens many of Florida's crops including: bell peppers, snap beans, cabbage, celery, sweet corn, cucumbers, eggplant, endive, escarole, grapefruit, lettuce, oranges, variety peppers, radishes, squash, strawberries, tangerines, tomatoes, sugarcane, a wide variety of horticulture, and aquaculture crops such as tropical fish. In many cases, producers won't know the full extent of damage for several weeks.

Many growers in affected areas are implementing freeze mitigation procedures in an attempt to help reduce their losses. Some methods being used to help protect some crops include:

Covering: Various materials, from simple hay and soil to complex industrial materials, are used to provide a physical barrier to freezing temperatures.

Irrigation: By applying water to crops, the heat that is lost from the crop to the surrounding air is replaced with the heat that is formed as water changes to ice. Operational costs for irrigation are comparatively low, as the irrigation systems are often already in place for routine use. Disadvantages

include damage due to ice buildup on limbs and problems resulting from over-irrigation.

Heaters: Primarily fueled by underground propane lines, heaters can be used to warm the air around trees in groves, crops in open fields, and plants in greenhouses.

Wind machines: This method circulates warmer upper air down to crop level. Wind machines are sometimes used in conjunction with heaters. Helicopters are sometime used as wind machines.

Fish farmers become concerned about potential losses when pond temperatures drop below 60 degrees. Fish begin dying at 55 degrees and massive losses occur at 50 degrees. Some loss-mitigation methods employed by fish farmers include:

Relocation: Cold-sensitive farm-raised fish can be protected by moving them from open ponds to enclosed ponds. Fish farmers that have only open ponds sometimes increase the stocking density of the fish and cover the ponds with greenhouse covers, but this method is only marginally effective.

Recirculation and heating: Ground water, which remains around 72 degrees F, can be re-circulated through ponds where fish are farm-raised. The water in some enclosed ponds can be heated, but this approach can only be used as a temporary measure because of high costs.

Nutrition: Temporary nutritional supplementation, known as boosting, can be employed to help farm-raised fish better withstand temperature drops. Advance notice of impending cold weather is needed to employ this approach.

Helping Backyard Bird Owners Raise Healthy Flocks

(NAPS)—A unique calendar could help many of America's backyard poultry owners keep their birds safe from diseases such as avian influenza.

The free 2010 calendar is offered by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS). As hobby farming and raising poultry grow in popularity, experts say it's become increasingly important for poultry owners to protect their birds from diseases. In addition to featuring vivid photos of poultry and wild birds—along with text in English and Spanish—USDA's 2010 Backyard Biosecurity calendar provides useful tips and information to help owners do just that.

Avian influenza (AI) viruses can infect chickens, turkeys, pheasants, quail, ducks, geese and guinea fowl, as well as other birds. By practicing good hygiene when taking care of birds and poultry, owners can reduce the risk of disease-causing germs going to or coming from their farm or home.

Such things as thoroughly washing your hands before entering your bird area and before working with your birds, and cleaning and disinfecting

equipment that comes in contact with your birds, will help keep disease away.

The calendar has information on spotting signs of sick birds and photos of birds with AI. Avian influenza can strike poultry quickly, and knowing what to look for will help bird owners:

A lack of energy and appetite; decreased egg production or soft-shelled or misshapen eggs; swelling of the head, eyelids, comb, wattles and hocks; purple discoloration of the wattles, combs and legs; nasal discharge; coughing and sneezing; stumbling or diarrhea could indicate AI.

To protect the U.S. poultry population, USDA quarantines and tests live birds imported into the United States to ensure that they do not have any foreign animal diseases.

The Backyard Biosecurity calendar is available free of charge. Interested poultry owners can order online at <http://healthybirds.aphis.usda.gov>.



A new calendar could help in the fight against avian influenza.

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The Week Of January 15 - January 21, 2009

Moon Phases:

- Last Qtr: Jan. 7
- Full Moon: Jan. 30
- New Moon: Jan. 15
- Last Qtr: Feb. 5
- First Qtr: Jan. 23

Monday
January 18
*1:20 AM
7:30 AM
*1:40 PM
7:55 PM

Tuesday
January 19
*2:00 AM
8:10 AM
*2:20 PM
8:35 PM

Wednesday
January 20
*2:45 AM
8:55 AM
*3:00 PM
9:20 PM

Thursday
January 21
*3:30 AM
9:45 AM
*3:50 PM
10:05 PM

Friday
January 15
5:20 AM
*11:20 AM
5:35 PM
*11:40 PM

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6:20 PM

Sunday
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*12:30 AM
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*1:00 PM
7:20 PM

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Remodeled 3 bedroom home in quiet country setting, no pets, \$525.00 per month plus deposits
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1/6, 1/13, c

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11/25, rtn, c

FOR RENT

Mobile Homes For Rent
2 or 3 bedroom mobile homes for rent near Anderson Pond \$450 + deposit
869-0916
10/28, rtn, c

Doublewide Mobile Home
3 bedroom 2 bath in the Cherry Lake Area \$500 per month and \$500 deposit
NO PETS! Call 850-929-4333
1/6, rtn, c

3 bd/2 bath doublewide near Cherry lake \$550.00, deposit & References 850-973-2353
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8/12 - rtn, c



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2 bedroom 2 bath, furnished. Includes water, electric & gas. Lawn maintenance provided. 1 yr lease \$800 deposit, \$1,050 per month
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8/5, rtn, pd

Apartment on Lazy Hen Farm
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9/9, rtn, pd



\$199 Move-In Special!!
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3 bedroom 2 bath mobile home in Madison County in country setting, \$450 month, includes electricity and lawn maintenance. Ref./background check 727-642-1358
1/13, 1/20, c

FOR RENT

3 Houses For Rent
3 bedroom/1 bath houses for rent, appliances included, central heat and air, housing vouchers accepted. One is located at 291 MLK Jr Dr., one is located at 276 SW Lee Ave and the other one is located at 221 SW Arnold St.
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1/13, c

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Stop!
Quit throwing your hard earned money away on renting! Become a home owner today! I have 3/2 DW's starting @ \$24,500 call Eric @ 386-719-5560
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11/4, rtn, c

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3 bedroom, 1.5 bath, Cherry Lake area, 1100 sq. ft. house on one acre, built 1994. \$99,000.
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1/13, c

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REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

House For Sale By Owner
1950 Dusty Miller Avenue, 3/2.5 bath 200 + sq. ft., Brick/Ranch style home on 5 acres. recently installed Central H&AC Unit. 2 Fireplaces, Den with Bonus room. Gas Stove and Water heater with dryer hookup. Covered attached carport with bonus attic storage. Lot's of closet and storage space. Outlying equipment shelter and attached utility room with shower. Asking \$155,000 OBO
This home is located at Dusty Miller Ave and Reeves Circle. Contact 850-973-2707 or 904-778-7882
1/13, 1/20, 1/27, pd

COMMERCIAL PROPERTY FOR RENT

Commercial/Industrial Property with state highway frontage. Corner lots. Fronts both Harvey Greene Dr. & Highway 53 South. Enterprise Zone
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1/13 - 2/3, pd

Fiscal Officer
Senior Citizens council of Madison County Inc. is seeking an individual with experience in Accounting and Bookkeeping. Responsibilities includes: Payroll, expenditure reports, prepare special accounting statements, budgets, budget revisions, recording of receipts, inventory, regular meeting with personnel, monthly reporting, prepare federal and state tax reports, backup data, medicare waiver billing, reconciling, attend board meetings, supervise CIRTS, supervision and orientation of new employees.
This is a highly responsible position. High school diploma/GED, Bachelor's Degree with four to eight years experience in accounting and completed a course in accounting/ Bookkeeping. Must have computer experience. Apply in person with a resume. Address: Senior Citizens of Madison at 486 SW Rutledge Street of Madison, Florida 32340. Contact number 850-973-2006
1/13, 1/20, c, c

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10/28, rtn, c

RN Unit Manager
7pm - 7 am
CNAs, part time
3-11 and 11-7
Apply in person at Madison Nursing Center, 2481 West US 90, Madison, FL 32340 or fax resume to 850-973-2667, attention Peggy Powers, Director of Nursing.
1/8, 1/13, c

The City of Madison is accepting applications for 1 full-time **Police Officer** with the following qualifications: Applicants must be at least 19 years of age and a citizen of the United States, possess a valid FLORIDA DRIVER'S LICENSE, with a clean driving record, must be a High School Graduate, must pass a drug test, background check, a physical examination and vision test. The applicant must be in excellent physical condition and it is preferred that the applicant be Florida Law Enforcement Certified. The applicant must have the ability to read write and speak effectively, understand and carry out oral and written instructions.
1/8, 1/13, c

Job applications are available upon request from the Police Department located at 310 SW Rutledge Street, Madison, Florida, 32340 from 8:00 AM until 5:00 PM daily Monday through Friday.
We will be accepting applications for this position from Monday, January 4, 2010, until the position has been filled.
The City of Madison is an Equal Opportunity Employer and recognizes veterans preference.
1/13, 1/20, c

ESTATE SALE

Saturday Jan. 30th, 2010 from 8 a.m. till 3 p.m. at 1950 Dusty Miller Avenue. Bring your cash no checks accepted. Misc antique furniture, glassware, silver; Misc clothing, kitchen utensils and misc furniture, deep freezer/washer/dryer/hospital bed/piano. Anyone interested in purchase of home 3/2.5 bath 2000 + sq. ft. Brick/Ranch style on 5 acres; Please feel free to take this opportunity to explore and make any offers as owners will be present.
1/13, 1/20, 1/27, pd

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR MADISON COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO. 2009-496-CA

LOUIS PRYOR
376 NE Flax Trail
Pinetta, Florida 32350

Plaintiff,

vs.

ALBERT LEE MCGEE, 2997 NE Rocky Ford Road, Madison, Florida 32340; ROSA KENNEDY, 1911 State Street, Tampa, Florida 33607; ALPHONSA MCGEE, 8101 N. Clark Ave., Tampa, Florida 33614; MINNIE ROBERSON, 6642 Flagler Dr., Pensacola, Florida 32503; JOHNNIE LEE MCGEE, 2915 NE Rocky Ford Road, Madison, Florida 32340; DOROTHY CURRY, 487 SE Old County Camp Road, Madison, Florida 32340; CURTIS MCGEE, 2997 NE Rocky Ford Road, Madison, Florida 32340; SHAWONN PATTERSON, 14 Station Hill Road, Bridgeton, NJ 08302; DOROTHY JEAN MCGEE, c/o Shawonn Patterson, 14 Station Hill Road, Bridgeton, NJ 08302; ART MCGEE, (address unknown); TINA MCGEE; (address unknown); all heirs of PHILLIP MCGEE, deceased, all heirs of JAMES B. MCGEE, deceased; and for any who are deceased, their unknown spouses and children, their heirs, devisees, and personal representatives and their or any of their heirs, devisees, executors, administrators, grantees, trustees, assigns, or successors in right, title, or interest to the hereinafter described property and any and all persons claiming by or through them or any of them; and all claimants, persons or parties natural or corporate, or whose exact legal status is unknown, claiming under any of the above named or described defendants, claiming to have any right, title, or interest in and to the lands hereinafter described;

Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: ART MCGEE (address unknown)
TINA MCGEE (address unknown)
All heirs of PHILLIP MCGEE, deceased
All heirs of JAMES B. MCGEE, deceased

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action for partition has been filed of the following property in Madison County, Florida:

A strip of land of even width five and one half chains wide across the south side of the North Half of the Southwest Quarter of Section Two, and the South Half of the southwest Quarter of Section Two, Less the South Half of the South Half of the South Half of said Southwest Quarter, all being in Township One North, Range Nine East, containing 82 acres, more or less.

LESS AND EXCEPT 1.45 acres deeded to Johnnie Lee McGee and Mari-onette McGee on March 1, 1973, and recorded in Official Record Book 68 at Page 157.

LESS AND EXCEPT 1.24 acres deed to the State of Florida on July 24, 1975, and recorded in Official Record Book 82 at page 83.

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Clay A. Schmitker, Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is Post Office Drawer 652, Madison, Florida 32340, on or before February 16, 2010, 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.

Dated: January 12, 2010.

TIM SANDERS
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: /s/ Ramona Dickinson
Deputy Clerk

1/15, 1/22

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING: The District Board of Trustees of North Florida Community College will hold its regular monthly meeting Tuesday, January 19, 2010 at 5:30 p.m. in the NFCC Library Annex, NFCC, 325 NW Turner Davis Dr., Madison, FL. A copy of the agenda may be obtained by writing: NFCC, Office of the President, 325 NW Turner Davis Dr., Madison, FL 32340. For disability-related accommodations, contact the NFCC Office of College Advancement, 850-973-1653. NFCC is an equal access/equal opportunity employer.

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