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Woman Injured In Accident



Photos submitted by Pat Lightcap

By Jacob Bemby
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A Lake Park, Ga. woman was seriously injured in a crash on Tuesday night, Feb. 14.

According to a Florida Highway Patrol report, Lisa L. Eng-

lish, 52, was traveling southbound on County Road 360A at approximately 60 miles per hour.

English's 2003 Subaru Legacy ran off the west edge of the roadway. English overcorrected

the steering and crossed the roadway to the east shoulder.

The vehicle traveled up the embankment into a tree line where the front of it struck a pine tree and continued forward, striking a large oak tree.

Lee Elementary's Robin Hill Presents Progress Report To School Board

By Lynette Norris
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With 228 students, Lee Elementary, while small by most standards, is still the third largest school in Madison County, said Principal Robin Hill in her presentation to the school board at their regular Feb. 7 meeting.

She began by outlining what she felt were the school's strengths.

Lee has dedicated teachers, some of whom arrive as early as 6 a.m., even though they don't have to. It also has good parental involvement that is increasing - during the 2010-2011 school year, LES logged over 1500 parent volunteer hours, and this year, 2011-2012, they had almost reached that total at the halfway point. Finally, the school has a small environment that is manageable, where everybody knows each other.

"Teachers can catch parents at the pick-up line after school," she said. While the children get in the car, the teachers can chat briefly with the parents about the child's schoolwork or deliver short reminders of upcoming events. "You can do that with only 228 kids."

There were also a few challenges LES faces, one of which is attendance - 98 children, or almost half the student population, had missed 10 or more days of school last year. They may have been excused absences, due to things like illnesses, but the only thing the State Department of Education is concerned with is that there are 10 or more missed days.

To mitigate this, Hill now tracks attendance daily, and when she sees a child getting close to the ten-day limit, she contacts the parents. The school is also trying to educate the parents about the importance of regular attendance and the cumulative effect of several days of missed instruction that can put their child at a disadvantage.

Another challenge LES sees is a lack of needed background education. Some of the children have never been outside their very small community, or have never seen or done anything else outside their daily life routine.

"This (their small community) is what they know," said Hill. Because of this, the children sometimes don't have a clue whenever teachers are talking about anything beyond the daily average life of that small community, even though the subject matter may be familiar, everyday knowledge to their peers.

"We need to get this background knowledge to them somehow," said Hill.

Then there is the challenge of what she terms the "Age-Old Traditions." As one example, she cited parents who didn't finish high school, yet "made it just fine," parents who sometimes underestimated the importance of their own children's education. That requires a bit of persuasion and parent education about just how important that education will be for their children in a 21st century world.

This year, LES also dropped back a letter grade in the FCAT rankings. Even though they earned enough points in aggregate scores to have been an 'A,' not enough of the lowest scoring 25% of students showed sufficient learning gains for the year, pushing the score back to a 'B.'

However, looking at FCAT trend data, there have been significant gains in science. The school's improvement plan calls for focusing on reading, math and science, and working to maintain the school's 'B' grade when the state raises the FCAT "cut score," or the minimum score required to attain a certain grade or level.

In the face of those changes and other challenges the school faces, "we'll pushing our students pretty hard to maintain that 'B,'" Hill said.

St. Mary's Episcopal Hosting Pancake Supper

By Jacob Bemby
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It is time once again for the annual church pancake supper at St. Mary's Episcopal Church on Tuesday, Feb. 21.

St. Mary's celebrates with a pancake supper each year the night before Lent begins.

The time for the event will be 5:30 p.m.-8 p.m.

There is no charge for the supper. Donations will be accepted.

Lee Man Injured



By Jacob Bemby
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A Lee man was seriously injured in a wreck on Tuesday evening, Feb. 14, at approximately 5:20 p.m.

According to a Florida Highway Patrol report, Joshua D. Agner, 28, was traveling westbound on State Road 6 at approximately 65 miles per hour.

Agner drove his 2005 Ford F150 off the roadway onto the north shoulder into a ditch and the front of the pickup struck a culvert.

The pickup went airborne and came down onto the front end and overturned onto the roof, coming to a final rest facing east.

FHP Trooper W.E. Harrell was the investigating officer.

County Commission Denies Hardship Exception For Cherry Lake General Store

By Lynette Norris
Greene Publishing, Inc.

When the County Commission passed its moratorium on any more internet cafes in unincorporated areas of Madison County, they included a hardship exception for business owners and entrepreneurs who had already invested a considerable amount of time/money in trying to open such a business, but had not gotten it off the ground and running prior to the moratorium taking effect.

Jeff and Debra Knox, owners of the Cherry Lake General Store, had spent most of the previous year researching ways to add an Internet café to their business in order to make it more viable in the rural Cherry Lake community. They had also spent money on trial runs of various equipment and software, gotten estimates for the necessary high-speed Internet access for the small community region, placed a few orders and paid a two-percent deposit with a contractor they wanted to hire to remodel a back room area now used primarily as storage.

"That was the 'screaming halt' point," said Debra Knox - the point at which they learned about the moratorium from a newspaper story.

The couple had already appeared before the Commission at the regular Jan. 4 meeting to apply

for the "hardship exception;" the Feb. 16 appearance was the specially noticed 5 p.m. public hearing to allow citizens to voice their concerns over the matter and allow the Knoxes to respond to those concerns and answer further questions from the Commissioners. They also presented the Commission with a petition of support signed by over 100 residents of the Cherry Lake community.

The Knoxes had been looking to expand business at their store with a three-point plan that included adding propane sales, a pizza oven and an Internet café. They now have the first two up and running.

The Internet café was planned as not only a gaming and sweepstakes venture, but also a place where adults and children could gather and take advantage of the free wi-fi. Currently, Cherry Lake has no such community gathering place. The gaming segment would go in the back room and would be adults only; the children and other families who wanted to use the computers for other reasons would have tables and chairs out front in the public area. There would also be firewall protection against things like Internet porn. As small, private business owners, Debra pointed out that they were

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Future Face of Interstate Burger King Not Decided Yet

By Lynette Norris
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"It's a moving target at this point," said Jay Johnson of Johnson & Johnson, Inc., when asked about plans for the now-closed Burger King/Shell Station out by the interstate on SR 53.

Johnson & Johnson, Inc. has owned the fast-food/gas station establishment "since forever" Jay Johnson said - since it was closed about three or four weeks ago because

of soil contamination from the petroleum products. An environmental remediation team has been at work ever since removing the contaminated soil, but how fast they can work depends on things like the weather.

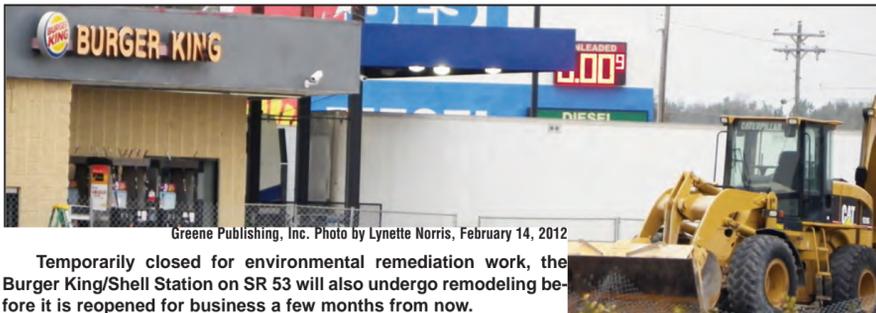
"Right now, we're

shooting for 90 days, but it could be 120 days or 150," said Johnson. When the remediation team is finished, there are plans to renovate and reopen the store, but as to how it will be remodeled is still in the process of being decided. Johnson & Johnson,

Inc. is looking at all of their options, such as whether or not to remodel it as a Busy Bee establishment, or even whether or not to stay with the Burger King franchise...it could be Burger King, or it could end up being something else.

One thing that is certain, though, is that the store will be renovated before it reopens, with a brand new face for its customers.

"Right now we're still waiting on the environmental remediation work, and that takes priority," said Johnson.



Greene Publishing, Inc. Photo by Lynette Norris, February 14, 2012

Temporarily closed for environmental remediation work, the Burger King/Shell Station on SR 53 will also undergo remodeling before it is reopened for business a few months from now.

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Local Weather

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Viewpoints & Opinions

America Saves, a nation-wide campaign, begins Sunday, February 19th - February 26th. This campaign is a broad coalition of nonprofit, corporate, and government agencies help individuals and families save and build wealth. The Extension Service is a collaborator in this campaign and we are helping promote the message, "Set a goal, Make a plan, Save automatically". Through information and education, Americans are being encouraged to pay down debt, build an emergency fund and save for a home, education and retirement.

Sounds like a tall order, but it is consistent amounts of money over time that builds up savings. According to America Saves, research shows that there are "savers" and "spenders" in all income levels. Understandably, modest incomes can't save as much as a family at a higher income level; however, all have the ability to build wealth over time.

In Florida, we are promoting the idea to start small and think big. Over time small amounts of money will grow. One of the first steps you can take is to build an emergency fund. While we know savings accounts don't pay much interest, the purpose of this type of savings is to have money for unexpected expenses. It keeps you from putting purchases on your credit card which cost more in the long run because of interest charges. It is estimated that Americans

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America Saves Week

take out \$2 billion a year in high interest rates to cover unexpected bills. A goal of \$500 to \$1,000 in an emergency fund will allow you to meet unexpected challenges such as a car repair, a visit to the doctor or a home repair.

Financial experts recommend individuals have an emergency savings in a bank or credit union savings account. Keeping emergency money separate from your checking account will reduce the temptation to use it for every day purchases. A regular savings account offers easy access to your money for any unexpected expense you might encounter. Some banks have a minimum deposit to open an account and a minimum balance to avoid fees, so you may need to put money in a jar for a few months until you have enough to open an account.

If you want to build an emergency fund, but just don't have the money, take a hard look at your spending habits. That soda you buy every day or the stops for a quick meal because you are too tired to cook may be draining your wallet. We all spend much more than we think, so try eliminating one habit and save the money. Another

easy way to accumulate money is to empty your loose change each night; you'll be surprised how much money you'll have at the end of the month.

Once your emergency account is funded, you can expand your savings to reach long term goals, like a down payment for a house or a child's college education. There are many alternatives available for savings and investing money; wise consumers research their options before making decisions. Make the pledge to be a saver by going to www.americasaves.org/enroll and enrolling, you will receive a newsletter throughout the year with ideas on growing your money. For more information on managing money or saving money contact the Madison County Extension Service.

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The warrior dons his breastplate, puts on his shoes and grabs his sword and his shield. He is prepared to do battle against the mightiest foe.

The businessman dons his three-piece suit, puts on his shoes, grabs his briefcase and feels overwhelmed by his opponent, the economy.

The journalist dons his everyday wear, puts on his shoes, grabs his computer and notes and feels like he is fighting an endless battle, trying to shine light on the truth.

All of these people have something in common. They all have battles to fight. All of them also have on shoes.

Have you ever wondered what it would be like if there were no shoes? I enjoy going barefooted around the house but it is still dangerous. Many times, there are unseen dangers that I may step on and hurt my foot. The feet are protected however when I am wearing shoes.



Jacob's Ladder

Jacob Bemby
Columnist

My Best Shoes

In Ephesians, we are told to put on the shoes of the Gospel of Peace. We need to go out and proclaim to the world that Christ lives in us.

I feel there is no person in the world who has more reason to tell people about Christ than I do. God answered prayers and lifted me back on my feet in December 2011 when I literally looked death in the face.

I want to tell the world about Christ but I must make sure that I put on my best shoes to do it so that I might not stumble on a rock or get my feet cut by glass when I do it.

Madison County...

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Hardship

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not hampered by constitutional issues and could censor anything they or the community might find offensive.

"We're very family oriented, and very respectful of children being in the place of business," said Debra.

Some of the concerns brought up included planning and zoning issues; Jeanie Bass of the Planning and Zoning Board pointed out that there weren't even any guidelines as to what kind of zoning was appropriate for such a business; Commercial? Commercial-residential? There were also questions about the added business changing the way the existing building was used, from a general store where people were in and out in relatively short periods of time to a place where larger numbers might be there for several hours. What about parking? Handicapped parking? Handicapped access? Restrooms? Fire safety?

The Knoxes replied that their premises did have the parking, wide double doors that would accommodate wheelchairs, and restrooms, and that they would be happy to comply with any other code requirements that might become applicable.

However, the board found that the lack of regulation would still be a problem, and once the hardship exception was granted, the Cherry Lake venture would be an existing business not subject to any of those regulations.

Instead, they discussed accelerating their research into putting those regulations in place and replacing the current moratorium with an ordinance that spelled out those regulations, hopefully within



Greene Publishing, Inc. Photo by Lynette Norris, February 15, 2012

Jeff and Debra Knox of the Cherry Lake General Store speak to the County Commission at the public hearing.

the next 60 days. There were such ordinances in other counties that were working very well, that Madison could use as a model. Leon and Taylor counties were mentioned.

Commissioner Renetta Parrish wondered aloud about the 60-day delay, asking, "How long can we expect small business owners to wait?" Commissioner Wayne Vickers had similar concerns.

The Commission voted 3/2 not to grant the hardship exception, but instead to proceed with the accel-

erated regulatory ordinance that would supersede the moratorium. Parrish and Vickers voted in favor of granting the exception.

Afterward, the Knoxes were anything but downbeat about the decision, chatting amiably with Commissioners and other county officials.

"I don't feel like we've been denied," said Debra. Instead, they believe the Commission wants to decide how they will go about allowing such businesses to come in, by having them comply with a set of A, B, C and D regulations.

"And of course we'll be more than happy to do A, B, C and D," she said.

Conservative Corner

By Claudia Anderson, Vice President
Republican Club of Madison County

CONSTITUTIONAL SHERIFFS CONVENTION

In January 2012, the 29th through the 31st, the first annual Constitutional Sheriffs Convention was held in Las Vegas, Nevada. More than one hundred County Sheriffs from across the nation, were in attendance for this historic event.

The Sheriff is the highest constitutional executive authority in the county. Most people fail to realize that the Sheriff has the legitimate authority to prevent federal agents from entering the county and has power to remove them once they are there. Many Constitutional Law Enforcement Officers across the country have been actively fighting to hold the line in upholding the Constitution and protecting the rights of the people who elected them to office.

A major problem, however, is that there are many law enforcement officers who have never read the U.S. Constitution or their State Constitution and therefore don't understand what they are swearing, when they take office. In fact, some have even indicated that they would enforce unconstitutional law, if ordered by a supervisor. Ignorance is truly scary!

Sheriff Richard Mack and the County Sheriff Project organized the Constitutional Sheriffs Convention with the following objectives: To increase the understanding and awareness for all sheriffs and peace officers regarding the true power of their constitutional authority and their duty to serve and protect the people for whom they work; and to unite in a concerted effort to uphold and defend the United States Constitution.

One resolution that was drafted during the convention, was "Resolution of the Sheriff Against NDAA 2012". This National Defense Authorization Act of 2012 basically cancels the Bill of Rights by giving the President and the military the power to arrest and hold private citizens indefinitely without charge or trial, just because someone THINKS you MIGHT have done or contemplated doing something. The rule of justice is no longer "innocent until proven guilty".

At the convention, there were presentations by various speakers on Agenda 21 and the Bill of Rights, which informed those lacking in knowledge, but really wanting to be informed.

The convention helped with the understanding of the U.S. Constitution and how it relates to the County Sheriff who is sworn to defend and protect it.

Attendees also learned that there are common problems existing in the individual counties all across America. Most of these are due to over regulation by the federal government and the resulting infringement on all our freedoms, thus affecting all citizens of our country. The Constitutional Sheriffs and Peace Officers Association (CSPOA) is a national organization of America's county sheriffs, creating a support system for dedicated constitutional officers, letting them know that they are not fighting it alone. The CSPOA mission statement: To educate and equip sheriffs, peace officers and public officials with the necessary information and public support to carry out their duties in accordance with their Oath of Office.

Listen to constitutional sheriffs at: <http://www.youtube.com/CountySheriffProject>. God bless constitutional county sheriffs! They are our last line of defense for the Constitution and the Bill of Rights.

Special note: A letter to the editor on 2/8/12 pointed out errors in the 2/3/12 column. Thanks to Mr. Wilson for correctly pointing out that Jane Fonda was not being honored by Pres. Obama. It just goes to show that all articles/news you read (or receive by e-mail) are not correct. When contributing to this column, I intend to provide you with insightful and correct information. My apologies for the errors. Thanks for understanding, and thanks for reading the Conservative Corner!

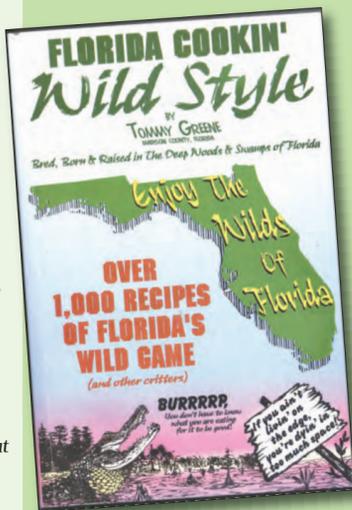
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Obituaries

Judy Mae Williamson

Judy Mae Williamson, age 55, died Sunday, February 12, 2012 in Madison.

Graveside funeral services were held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, February 14, 2012, at Midway Cemetery.

She moved to Lee in 1975 and was a homemaker and a Baptist.

She is survived by her husband, J. C. Williamson, of Lee; one son, Jay Williamson (Chris) of Lee; two daughters, Nichole Underwood (Russell) of Madison, and Jessica Tompkins (Jody) of Pinetta; one brother, Paul Faircloth of Greenville; and two grandchildren, Sadie Underwood and Russell Underwood.

Eleanor English Bass Pickles

Eleanor English Bass Pickles, age 78, died Wednesday, February 15, 2012 in Thomasville, Ga.

Graveside funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, February 18, 2012, at San Pedro Cemetery, Madison, with visitation prior to the service from 12:30-1:30 p.m. at Beggs Funeral Home Madison.

She was a homemaker and lived most of her life in Madison and was a member of New Home Baptist Church.

She is survived by her daughter: Myrtice Bass Odom (Edward) of Thomasville, GA; one sister: Nellie Rose Bass of Shady Grove, Florida; six grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

DONALD TAYLOR

Donald Taylor, 87, of Quitman passed away February 14, 2012 at the Presbyterian Home, Quitman, Ga. Mr. Taylor was born on Sept. 17, 1924 to Lizzie Mae (Watts) and James Roster Taylor of Brooks County.

Mr. Taylor is survived by his two sons Donald (Dawn) Taylor of Barney, Wilson Taylor of Jacksonville; a daughter, Velma Rhodes (Henry) Bratcher of Tallahassee and a son-in-law, Junior Pulliam of Madison. He is also survived by his sister; Verlyn Taylor (Winton) Wilson of Warner Robins, Ga., three brothers-in-law, Charles Bass and Ellis (Gladys) Bass, all of Madison and Jerry (Christine) Bass of Cherry Lake., two sisters-in-law, Minnie Lee Newborn of Madison and Fannie Mae "Mutt" (George) Purvis of Monticello; eight grandchildren: Michael (Kim) Taylor of Panama City, Fl., Deidre Taylor of Thomasville, David Taylor and Millie Taylor of Valdosta, Cheryl Revell and Sheldon (Shannon) Bratcher of Tallahassee, Keith (Tery) Bratcher of Crawfordville, and David Pulliam of Madison. He is also survived by a host of nieces, nephews, and friends.

Mr. Taylor is predeceased by his parents, his first wife, Marion Wilson Taylor (April 1, 1975), his second wife, Neita Bass Rhodes Taylor (May 20, 2011) a daughter, Evelyn Rhodes Pulliam. He was also preceded in death by his brother, Wayne Taylor and his sister Amelia Taylor Chapman, a brother-in-law and sister-in-law; Russell and Lucille Bass, a brother-in-law, Enoch Newborn, and a brother and sister-in-law, Louie and Carolyn Rhodes.

Mr. Taylor lived all of his life in Brooks County, Ga., except for the three years he spent in service to his country. He graduated from Morven High School in 1942 and enlisted in the US Army entering into active service in 1943 where he served as a radio operator and supply technician in the Pacific with the Army Engineers in New Guinea and the Philippines reaching the rank of Staff Sgt. He was awarded the following service awards; The Good Conduct Medal, The American Campaign Medal, The Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal with two Bronze Service Stars, The World War II Victory Medal, The Philippine Liberation Ribbon with two Bronze Service Stars, Honorable Service Lapel Button WWII, the Expert Badge with Rifle Bar.

Mr. Taylor returned to Brooks County in 1947 and began work for the US Post Office, the Quitman Branch until his retirement in 1979. He married Marion Arneita Wilson on Aug. 3, 1947 and they had two sons - Donald "Donnie" and Wilson.

Mr. Taylor was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Quitman where he served faithfully many years in various positions - Deacon, Elder, Clerk of the Session, Church Treasurer, Sunday School Teacher and Trustee.

He married Neita Bass Rhodes on Jan. 2, 1976 and they moved to the Ochlawilla Community where they lived until declining health took them to the assisted living center at the Presbyterian Home, Quitman, Ga. After his retirement Mr. Taylor was active in NARFE (National Assoc. of Retired Federal Employees) and spent many hours at Moody AFB assisting retirees with their benefits.

Graveside services will be held Friday, Feb. 17 at 2 p.m. in Oak Hill Cemetery with Rev. Dewey Fountain officiating.

The family received friends at the funeral home Thursday from 6-8 p.m.

Flowers will be accepted or donations may be made to The Presbyterian Home, 1901 West Screven St., Quitman, Ga. 31643 or Ochlawilla Baptist Church, 1315 Ochlawilla Rd., Quitman, Ga. 31643.

Condolences may be conveyed online at www.maxwellmillerfuneralhome.com

Maxwell-Miller Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches In Need Of Donations

Do you have items in your home that you no longer need or use, such as cameras, jewelry, house wares and antiques? Would you consider donating furniture you are replacing or appliances you are upgrading? Are you getting a new car or truck? Please consider donating your usable and sellable items to Sheriffs Ranches Enterprises, Inc.

Sheriffs Ranches Enterprises, Inc., also known as SRE, is a subsidiary of the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches. SRE's function is to sell donated goods to the public at our Thrift Stores in Crystal River, New Port Richey, Dunedin and Live Oak. SRE also sells unique and collectible items on their E-bay Store. Donated vehicles, trucks, vans and vessels are sold through the Vehicle Sales Lot located at the Thrift Store in Live Oak.

If you're looking for something special, unique or unusual, please visit one of our thrift store locations or browse our eBay site by visiting



www.sheriffsranchesenterprises.org and follow the eBay link.

If you have items to donate, please drop them by the thrift store near you or to schedule a time for us to come to your home to pick-up your items, please contact 800-765-3797.

All proceeds from sales help support the kids of the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches. For additional information about the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches, please visit www.floridasheriffsyouthranches.org.

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City of Madison and Town of Greenville

March 13, 2012



Voting Equipment Public Logic and Accuracy Test

In accordance with Florida Statute, Section 101.5612, a pre-election test of the automatic tabulating equipment, which will be used to tabulate the votes cast in the 2012 City of Madison and Town of Greenville Election, to be held on March 13, 2012, will be conducted at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 22, 2012, at the Supervisor of Elections Office, 229 SW Pinckney St., Room 113, Madison, Florida. The purpose of the test is to ascertain that the equipment will correctly count the votes cast for all candidates and offices. The test is open to all candidates, candidate representatives with written authorization, the press and the public.

Early Voting for City of Madison

Early voting begins March 3, 2012 and ends March 10, 2012. Hours for voting will be Saturday through Saturday from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. The location for early voting is the Supervisor of Elections' office in the Court House Annex Building. Please remember, all voters are required to show photo identification prior to voting or vote a provisional ballot.

Election Day

The City of Madison Election will be held on March 13, 2012 from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Remember, Madison City Elections are single member districts. Only voters in District 2 and 3 will vote in this election in March. The polling place for the Madison City Election will be held at Madison County Boardroom Annex, Room 107.

The Town of Greenville Election will be held on March 13, 2012 from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Remember, Town of Greenville Election is for those who reside in the City of Greenville only. The polling place for the Town of Greenville Election will be held at Greenville Senior Citizens Building.

Canvass of Returns

The canvass of returns and absentee ballots for the 2012 City of Madison and Town of Greenville will be held in Madison, Florida on March 13, 2012. The canvass of returns and absentee ballots will begin at 5:30 p.m. on March 13, 2012, at the Supervisor of Elections Office, 229 SW Pinckney St., Room 113, Madison, Florida.

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Farm Bureau Members Celebrate Food Check-Out Week, Feb. 19-25

County Farm Bureau members throughout Florida are set to hold a rich array of activities in celebration of the 2012 Food Check-Out Week. These activities will help to remind all Floridians that our farmers and ranchers produce an abundance of safe, nutritious foods and create the foundation of the quality of life we all enjoy.

Volunteers mark the occasion by making donations of food, money and supplies to various nonprofit, helping organizations such as homeless shelters and food banks. Their donations reflect their community-minded spirit and a willingness to share our agricultural bounty with citizens in need.

A special emphasis of Food Check-Out Week involves helping consumers purchase healthy diets on household budgets. U.S. Department of Agriculture guidelines (available at www.chosemyplate.gov) create the basic information for all consumers. At a time when the cost of food and other items is increasing because of spikes in fuel prices, many consumers must rely upon careful choices to provide their families with wholesome meals.

A health-boosting diet includes varieties of fruits, vegetables, low-fat or fat-free dairy products, lean meats, beans, eggs and nuts in quantities for daily calorie needs. According to the USDA, all forms of fruits and vegetables provide a good diet – fresh, frozen, dried and canned. The agency recommends that half of your plate should consist of fruits and vegetables; half of all grains should be whole grains. USDA researchers also suggest the use of fat-free or low-fat milk.

The USDA has reported that the prices of unprepared fresh fruits and vegetables such as carrots, bananas, tomatoes, broccoli, Red Delicious apples and Iceberg lettuce have remained stable compared to dessert and snack foods. U.S. consumers enjoy a domestic food supply that is among the safest, most abundant and affordable in the world.

USDA figures show that farmers and ranchers receive 19 cents out of

every dollar spent on food. Off-farm costs – processing, packaging, wholesaling and retailing – account for 81 cents. In 1980 the farm producer received 31 cents of every dollar spent on food.

Our agricultural producers take pride in providing consumers with the highest quality, most nutritious food possible. Food safety is a fundamental goal of Florida agricultural producers. Farmers and ranchers recognize that superior animal welfare practices result in high quality, safe and wholesome meat, poultry, milk and eggs. They are constantly seeking ways to reduce costs and improve the comfort and well-being of animals. Their crop and animal food production methods are guided by Best Management Practices – state-of-the-art techniques designed and tested by experts at research universities.

This year Florida Farm Bureau has partnered with the Florida Dietetic Association to call upon knowledgeable professionals for comprehensive dietary advice. We are delighted to have the association join with us and look forward to building upon this partnership in future years.

"We are proud of all our members who take part in Food Check-Out Week each year," said Florida Farm Bureau President John Hoblick. "Their work devoted to this event is both a community service and a reflection of our vibrant national tradition of citizen volunteerism."

"Initiatives such as Food Check-Out Week are part of Farm Bureau's effort to educate non-farmers about the value of contemporary agriculture for all of us," Hoblick added. "I urge all Floridians to join us in our celebration."

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Happenings

At Madison
First Baptist Church

By Nell Dobbs
Guest Columnist

God is good all the time and may we give Him thanks for His goodness, grace and mercy! He has loved us with His undying love and has granted us the joy and blessing of living in this good land. Selecting the right leaders is one of the most important decisions we make. God did not want His people to have a king but finally gave in to them. We are to be fair and just and honest.

Beautiful flowers were placed in honor of Letha Hicks in celebration of her birthday by her family. They all have been such blessings.

We love doing motions with "Love Lifted Me." Todd Gordon gave a touching offertory prayer. Worship Choir sang "Walk Like Jesus."

What blessings for all of us that Preacher Law was granted God's healing and strength to be back in the pulpit. He gave us the message and purpose of the Lord's Supper and then we partook.

We were so blessed to have heard the six Ark Singers on Wednesday

night and enjoyed their telling briefly of their lives and the ministry they are in and we pray souls for their hire. Their last song was "Because He lives, I can face tomorrow," and "oh, the joy of a newborn baby."

There's been another loss in our church, Mrs. Rosalie Russell. We give thanks for a life well-lived and pray comfort for her family. We give thanks for Mrs. Sally Johnson and the faith to come back so soon and also Kathy McCollum, who did likewise. Pray for Kay Browning in the loss of her sister and for the family of Mavis Buchanan and for Cathryn Carver's family and all other sad ones.

Prayers for healing of the many ill ones. Peggy Drummond to be at Shands a week; Tommy Greene, home from Shands; Melvin Agner, home a week Monday from shoulder surgery and finally able to lie down; George and Barbara Whittle with so much illness in their family and a death. I saw him at Dr. Schindler's office one day. Geneva

Massey and Dorothy Hubble and their brothers and sisters; Epp Richardson; Rudy Hamrick; C.D. Agner (our brother) and all others with viruses.

So very happy to see sisters Floree Williams and Mary Bell in the same day - friends of old!

Congratulations to Susanne (Sanders) Griffin on her recent honor. Sweet and smart as always.

What a wonderful Friendship Banquet Sunday night, hosted by the young people who were perfect waiters and waitresses. Many thanks to the chef, Teresa Rutherford and to Beth and Jim Carey. (We love you and thank you.)

An invitation to attend the Pine Tree Quilters Brunch and Quilt Show on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

"Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Thy sight, O Lord, my Strength and my Redeemer." Psalm 19:15 Our daily prayer under Mrs. Mary Davis in fifth grade.

Local Churches To Hold Ash Wednesday Services

By Bryant Thigpen
Greene Publishing, Inc.

On the calendar for 2012, one can see that Wednesday, February 22 has been designated as Ash Wednesday. Rocky Springs United Methodist Church will hold their Ash Wednesday service on February 22, beginning at 11 a.m. Ash Wednesday services will also be held that night at Hanson United Methodist Church, beginning at 7 p.m.

Ash Wednesday begins the season of Lent, in which the pastor marks the foreheads of Christians as a reminder that humans were created from the dust, and according to Genesis 3:19, shall return to dust.

Christians celebrate 40 days of

lent representing the time that Jesus was tempted in the wilderness. Jesus spent 40 days in the wilderness, and so the season of Lent lasts for 40 days, which is spent as a time of fasting, prayer and repentance. The 40 days of Lent leads to the celebration of the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ on Easter Sunday. Although lent is not required anywhere in the scripture, it has been a custom for most of the last 2000 years that has been practiced by Christians.

Rocky Springs is located on Rocky Springs Church Road right off of Hwy. 53 North in Madison, and Hanson United Methodist Church is located on Hwy. 145 in Hanson.

To be almost saved
Is to be totally lost

Cowboy Nights To Jazz Up The Next 39ers Club Meeting

By Lynette Norris
Greene Publishing, Inc.

No matter how many times you've turned 39, you're never too old...or too young...for the smooth

sound of the Cowboy Nights Jazz Ensemble.

Under the direction of Geoff Hill, the Madison County High School Cowboy Nights Jazz Ensemble will return to

the 39ers Club on Feb. 21, for another enjoyable program. Previously, the Cowboy Nights had played for the club during the late spring of 2011, shortly

before the summer break.

The 39ers Club meets the third Tuesday of every other month at noon in the fellowship hall of Grace Presbyterian Church on N. Washington Street, across from Oakridge Cemetery. The lunch is potluck, so the food is always good, and the music groups that perform are always a pleasure.

There are no fees or registration costs of any kind. The Club is free and open to anyone 39 years of age or older. Bring your favorite dish along with a friend or two, and be ready to enjoy some good food, good music, and great people.



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Remembrance of Things Past: Anthony Feacher Jr.



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Anthony Feacher Jr. might not have lived in Madison his whole life, but Madison has always been his home.

By Kristin Finney
Greene Publishing, Inc.

Anthony Feacher Jr. might not have lived in Madison his whole life, but Madison has always been his home. Feacher was born in Monticello. He grew up in Greenville and Lee. He attended Springfield school through the fourth grade.

Growing up, Feacher worked on the farm from the time he was five years old, until he was 21. On the farm he worked in cotton, tobacco, corn and watermelon. He worked with a mule most days and worked long, hard hours.

He and his family had very little free time, due to working on the farm, but occasionally on Saturdays, Feacher would go to the movies. "But we always had to be home by 9," he said.

At the age of 21, Feacher moved to Jacksonville. There were jobs in Jacksonville that he could get. But most importantly, he said, "I wanted to get away from that mule." Then in 2007, he moved back to Madison. "Madison is my home. It's good to be

back home," he explained.

When asked what has changed in Madison since he first moved away, Feacher said, "It is much better now. The places that we couldn't go before, we can go to now. It's much better."

Feacher now spends his time at the Senior Citizens Center, with his wife, and at church. His wife is Mary Feacher. He has nine children; Carlton, Dwight Anthony (who passed away), Anthony, Belanda, Clarethia, Velma, Evett, Vickie and Veronica. He is a deacon at Pineland Missionary Baptist Church. He also enjoys riding around town and looking at the tractors and farms.

Anyone interested in being interviewed for this article can call 973-4141 and make an appointment with Kristin Finney, or may drop by Greene Publishing, Inc. any day before noon. Those interviewed must have lived in Madison for a large portion of their lives, and be able to recall a few things that have changed since that time.

Chamber Spotlights The Old Book Store As February Business Of The Month

By Lynette Norris
Greene Publishing, Inc.

Each month, the Madison Chamber of Commerce selects a local business to spotlight as the "Business of the Month." For February, it is the Old Book Store, 317 SW Pinckney Street, owned by Lucile Cherry. She received a congratulatory balloon and floral arrangement courtesy of The Madison Florist, and a sign to display outside her business for the entire month of February.

The Old Book Store had its beginning in 1982, in one of the many little shops on West Base Street. Mark Cherry, who had retired as a history professor from North Florida Junior College, and his wife Lucile, who had retired as guidance counselor from Madison High School, went into the business because of Mark's lifelong love of books, and because, as he said, he "could not sit and rock."

From the time they married, Mark and Lucile shopped at many bookstores, and as their sons grew up, they would often ask if they "had to stop at another book store." Through the years, their personal collection of books grew, especially after Mark's uncle in Lillington, North Carolina, gave him his library of Americana, Natural Science and Natural History books.

With these, and their personal collection, the Cherrys opened The Old Book Store.

In the late 1980's, the store moved to the Pinckney Street side of the building, where the Creatures Featured Pet Store is now. In 1992, the store moved again, across the street to its current location. The new place had pink walls, but since there was no time for repainting, the younger son Doug told Mark to tell his customers that he was "so macho" the pink

walls didn't bother him.

Each time the store moved, it was because of the growing volume of books and how Mark wanted to display and organize them. The last move to 317 SW Pinckney was a lot of work; Lucile and Lu Sands packed up the books while older son Allen and grandson Darryl Cherry transported them across the street, where Mark organized and shelved them. He could tell anyone with great certainty whether he had a particular book, and even where it was located on the shelf.

Mark knew exactly what kind and type of books he wanted to keep in the store, and he and Lucile would go to the annual Friends of the Library sales in Tallahassee, Valdosta, Gainesville and Jacksonville to find them. After their first year in business, they were invited to join the Florida Antiquarian Booksellers Association.

At one time or another, each of their four grandchildren worked at the bookstore, usually during the summers and after school. All of them enjoyed spending time at the store and inherited their grandparents' love of books.

The first room in The Old Book Store is an attraction for children and adults alike, with a number of collectibles and an eclectic mix of items. Mark brought some of his old cameras to place on a shelf, and the collection grew when customers added to it. The room also has an assortment of pictures on the wall and artifacts from Mark's teaching of anthropology. One of Hank Allen's creations, given to the



Greene Publishing, Inc. Photo by Lynette Norris, February 3, 2012

The Chamber of Commerce shines the February Spotlight on The Old Book Store, located at 317 SW Pinckney Street. Left to right are Angela Cave (Executive Assistant, Chamber of Commerce), Lucile Cherry (proprietor, The Old Book Store, holding certificate) and Chamber Director Cindy Veas. Lucile also received a congratulatory plant/balloon arrangement from the Madison Florist, and will have the "Spotlight" sign to display outside her business for the month of February.

store by his wife, hangs at the entrance.

The categories of books now includes: Health and Fitness; Modern Fiction; Old Fiction; Science Fiction; Christian Fiction; Old Non-Fiction; Non-Fiction; Presidents and First Ladies; Art; Adventure; Mystery and Detective; Americana; Foreign Languages; Reference; Psychology; Religion; Humor; Sports; Performing Arts; Disaster; Florida; Biography; Business; War and Military; Civil War; True Crime; Cookbooks; Crafts; Juvenile; Birds-Animals-Nature.

When Mark passed away in August 1999, Lucile and sons Allen and Doug had to make a major decision, because Mark had managed the store and knew every detail of the inventory. With encouragement from customers far and near, Lucile decided to continue running the store.

Diane Cherry (Head), Lucile's granddaughter and a recent

graduate from the University of Florida, decided to help. That began a new chapter in book sales.

Mark had been listing in the American Booksellers publication; however, booksellers were now using the internet, so Diane put the store's inventory on the internet through ABE-books.com. After Diane moved to Georgia, Linda Cherry, Lucile's daughter-in-law, continued to keep the on-line inventory updated as well as ordering books and magazines for their customers, some local, some who come from all over Florida or from as far away as Alaska. Some even drop in from Europe and Asia.

But no matter where they hail from, customers find the Old Book Store a very interesting place. Lucile is very appreciative of the support The Old Book Store has received - it has been, and still is, a pleasure to have a business in Madison.

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Tuesday February 21	4:45 AM *10:45 AM 5:00 PM *11:10 PM	
Wednesday February 22	5:30 AM *11:35 AM 5:45 PM *11:55 AM	
Thursday February 23	6:10 AM *12:20 AM 6:30 PM	
Friday February 17	1:30 AM *7:40 AM 1:50 PM *8:10 PM	
Saturday February 18	2:30 AM *8:30 AM 2:40 PM *8:55 PM	
Sunday February 19	*3:15 AM 9:20 AM *3:30 PM 9:45 PM	

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- Be at least 21 years old
- Reside in Madison County
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR MADISON COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO. 2012-16-CP

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF:
DORIS L. TERRY,
Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of DORIS L. TERRY, deceased, whose date of death was January 14, 2012, is pending in the Circuit Court for Madison County, Florida, Probate Division, File Number 2012-16-CP; the names and addresses of the Personal Representative and the Personal Representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons, who have claims or demands against decedent's estate, including un-matured, contingent or unliquidated claims, and who have been served a copy of this notice, must file their claims with this Court WITHIN THE LATER OF THREE (3) MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons who have claims or demands against the decedent's estate, including unmatured, contingent or unliquidated claims, must file their claims with this Court WITHIN THREE (3) MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

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

THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE IS FEBRUARY 10, 2012.

Attorney for Personal Representative: Personal Representative:
/s/ E. Bailey Browning, III /s/ Faye T. Browning
E. Bailey Browning, III Faye T. Browning
Fla Bar No. 0083630 3275 NE Colin Kelley Highway
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR MADISON COUNTY, FLORIDA

PROBATE DIVISION

FILE NO.: 2011-66-CP

IN RE: ESTATE OF
PECOLA WEST,
Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of Pecola West, deceased, whose date of death was November 24, 2010, is pending in the Circuit Court for Madison County, Florida, Probate Division; the address of which is 125 S.W. Range Avenue, Madison, Florida 32340. The names and addresses of the personal representatives and the personal representatives' attorney are set forth below.

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

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

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

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

The date of the first publication of this notice is February 10, 2012

Attorney for Personal Representative: Personal Representative:
Michael Smith Nathaniel Burnette
Michael Smith Nathaniel Burnette
174 Mandala Avenue
Madison, Florida 32310
Personal Representative Personal Representative

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR MADISON COUNTY, FLORIDA.

CIVIL ACTION NO. 2011-592-CA

CITIZENS STATE BANK
P.O. Box 1247
Perry, FL 32348

Plaintiff, FORECLOSURE AND OTHER RELIEF

vs. MICHAEL A. DOWDY
3805 Cambridge Drive
Valdosta, GA 31601;
LORI J. DOWDY
7482 SE Farm Road
Lee, FL 32059;
SHIRLEY J. VON RODEN
7482 SE Farm Road
Lee, FL 32059;

unknown tenants, and other unknown parties in possession, including the unknown spouse of any person in possession of the property, and if a named Defendant is deceased, the surviving spouse, heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors, and all other parties claiming by, through, under or against that Defendant, and all claimants, persons or parties, natural or corporate, or whose exact legal status is unknown, claiming under any of the named or described Defendants.

Defendants.

NOTICE OF JUDICIAL SALE PURSUANT TO SECTION 45.031(1), FLORIDA STATUTES

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure entered on February 14, 2012, in the above styled action, L. Tim Sanders, Clerk of the Court, will sell at public sale the following described real property:

Lots Numbers 90, 91, 92 and 93 of Pope's Subdivision, a subdivision as per plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 1, Page "P", and being a part of the Southeast Quarter of Section 22, Township 1 North, Range 9 East, Madison County, Florida. Subject to covenants, restrictions, easements of record.

The sale will be held on March 8, 2012, at 11:00 a.m. (or as soon thereafter as possible, provided that said sale must be commenced prior to 2:00 p.m.) to the highest and best bidder for cash, at the West door of the courthouse in Madison County, in Madison, Florida, in accordance with Section 45.031, Florida Statutes.

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

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Sondra Williams, court administrator, Post Office Box 1569, Lake City, Florida 32056, telephone: (386) 758-2163, within 2 working days of your receipt of this notice; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

Dated: February 14, 2012.

Tim Sanders,
As Clerk of the Court
By: Ramona Dickinson
As Deputy Clerk

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR MADISON COUNTY, FLORIDA

ARTHUR G. SMITH and FLORIDA D. SMITH, CASE NO. 11-360-CA as Mortgagee, Plaintiff,

vs. ALISON N. GRAHAM, et. al. Defendant.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Default Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated February 10, 2012, in the above referenced case in which ARTHUR GLEN SMITH and FLORIDA D. SMITH is Plaintiff, and ALISON N. GRAHAM, unknown tenants; and other unknown parties in possession, including the unknown spouse of any person in possession of the property, and if named Defendant is deceased, the surviving spouse, heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors, and all other parties claiming by, through, under or against that Defendant, and all claimants, persons or parties natural or corporate, or described Defendants. I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in the Madison County Courthouse in Madison, Florida as the Clerk of the Court may direct provided that said sale must be commenced on the 6th day of March, 2012 at 11:00 a.m., the following described property set forth in the Default Final Judgment of Foreclosure:

A portion of Section 30, Township 2 North, Range 10 East, being more particularly described as follows: Commencing at a rebar No. 2940 marketing the Northeast corner of the West half of the Southeast Quarter of said Section 30; thence South 00°24'31" East along the East line of said West Half of West Half of Southeast Quarter a distance of 168.52 feet to a set rebar No. 6431, said point being the Northeast corner and POINT OF BEGINNING of the following described parcel; thence continue South 00°24'31" East along the East line of said West Half of West Half of Southeast Quarter a distance of 125.72 feet to a set rebar No. 6431; thence North 89°35'42" West a distance of 384.12 feet to the centerline of a graded country road; thence North 30°41'32" East, along said centerline a distance of 145.58 feet to a set rebar No. 6431; thence South 89°35'42" east, leaving said centerline, a distance of 308.92 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING, containing 1.000 acre. Said feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING, containing 1.000 acre. Said lands situate, lying and being in Madison County, Florida.

Any and all bidders, parties or other interested persons shall contact the information desk of the Clerk of the Court prior to the scheduled foreclosure sale.

IF THIS PROPERTY IS SOLD AT PUBLIC AUCTION, THERE MAY BE ADDITIONAL MONEY FROM THE SALE AFTER PAYMENT OF PERSONS WHO ARE ENTITLED TO BE PAID FROM THE SALE PROCEEDS PURSUANT TO THIS FINAL JUDGMENT. IF YOU ARE A SUBORDINATE LIENHOLDER CLAIMING A RIGHT TO FUNDS REMAINING AFTER THE SALE, YOU MUST FILE A CLAIM WITH THE CLERK NO LATER THAN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE. IF YOU FAIL TO FILE A CLAIM, YOU WILL NOT BE ENTITLED TO ANY REMAINING FUNDS.

WITNESS my hand and the official seal of said Court, this 10th day of February, 2012 at Madison, Madison County, Florida.

(COURT SEAL)
HONORABLE TIM SANDERS

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

MADISON COUNTY, FLORIDA
Monica Taibl

Attorney for the Plaintiffs by: Ramona Dickinson
P.O. Box 836 as Deputy Clerk
Madison, FL 32341
Phone: (850) 973-1477
FL Bar 035058

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR MADISON COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION

IN RE: ESTATE OF File Number: 2012-18-CP
HAROLD CLIFFORD GROW, SR., Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of HAROLD CLIFFORD GROW, SR., deceased, whose date of death was December 24, 2011, is pending in the Circuit Court for Madison County, Florida, Probate Division under probate file # 2012-18-CP, the address of which is 125 SW Range Avenue, Madison, Florida 32340. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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

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The date of the first publication of this notice is February 10, 2012

Attorney for Personal Representative: Personal Representative:
T. Buckingham Bird, Esq. Harold Clifford Grow, Sr.
P.O. Box 247 1091 Prior Circle
Monticello, Florida 32345 Madison, Georgia 30650
(850) 997-3503

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR MADISON COUNTY, FLORIDA

IN RE: The Marriage of CASE NO.: 12-13-DR
CATHY C. BROWN, Petitioner/Wife,
and
WESLEY J. BROWN, Respondent/Husband.

NOTICE OF ACTION OF DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE

TO: WESLEY J. BROWN, whose last known address is 693 NE Daylily Ave, Madison, FL 32340.

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Sellers, Taylor, & Morrison, P.A., attorneys for CATHY C. BROWN, and file the original with the Clerk of this Court at 125 Range Ave., Madison, Florida 32340 before service of immediately thereafter. If you fail to do so, a default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the petition.

Copies of all court documents in this case, including orders, are available at the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office. You may review these documents upon request.

You must keep the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office notified of your current address. (You may file Notice of Current Address, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.915.) Future papers in this lawsuit will be mailed to the address on record at the Clerk's office.

WARNING: Rule 12.285, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, requires certain automatic disclosure of documents and information. Failure to comply can result in sanctions, including dismissal or striking of pleadings.

Dated: Feb 2, 2012

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
By: Katherine DeWitt
Deputy Clerk

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(COURT SEAL)
HONORABLE TIM SANDERS

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