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Doug Brown And Karen Pickles Take Part In First School Board Meeting

By Lynette Norris
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Newly elected School Superintendent Doug Brown presided over the Madison County School Board's annual organizational meeting Nov. 20, where the board members chose Bart Alford to serve as chair for the coming year, and Fain Poppell to serve as vice chair. The board also tapped newly elected member Karen Pickles to serve as the school district's legislative liaison. Kenny Hall agreed to serve as alternate liaison.

Karen Pickles

The board also agreed to a meeting calendar for the year that will see them continue to convene the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 6 p.m. at the school district office on Duval Street.

The organizational meeting was then adjourned and Alford took the gavel to call the regular meeting to order.

Doug Brown

Paula Ginn reported to the board that her committee had completed its review of the New Millenium Charter School's contract, gone over it with attorney Tommy Reeves and found it acceptable. The board voted unanimously to approve the contract.

The board also voted to change the time and

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Man Arrested For Exploitation And Forgery

By Jacob Bembry
Greene Publishing, Inc.

Michael Mosher

A Lee man was arrested for exploitation and uttering forged checks on Nov. 4.

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Driver Has Plenty To Be Thankful For

Greene Publishing, Inc. Photo by Jacob Bembry, November 19, 2012

Madison County EMS personnel and firefighters take Almeta Powers to the ambulance, away from the wreckage of her car, which hit a tree and rolled over.

By Jacob Bembry
Greene Publishing, Inc.

A 19-year-old has a lot to be thankful for after surviving a rollover on Interstate 10 on Monday, Nov. 19.

According to a Florida Highway Patrol report, Almeta Powers, of Jacksonville, was traveling west on I-10 in the left travel lane, approaching mile marker 253.

Powers said that she attempted to deactivate the cruise control on her 1999 Pontiac Grand Prix in order to reduce her speed because of slower moving traffic ahead of her. She said that when she applied the brakes nothing happened and that the vehicle would not deactivate from cruise control.

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Princess Roebuck Addresses School Board

By Lynette Norris
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When Princess Roebuck addressed the school a month ago, it was to bring to their attention an incident at Madison County Central School's Homecoming Coronation event, where a recorded song with inappropriate material was played during part of the proceedings. She was assured that the board was aware of the incident and was looking into it.

Princess Roebuck

At the Nov. 20 meeting, she again appeared before the board regarding the same incident.

"I'm very angry and y'all should be too," she said quietly. Although the person who was responsible for allowing the song to be played had been written up, Roebuck didn't believe that was sufficient.

"Big deal," she said. "What does that mean, 'written up?'"

The incident was "a disgrace," she added, the same way she had described it a month ago.

Furthermore, she was there to protest the fact that she was no longer being called to substitute teach in the Pre-K classes at MCCS, which she believed was in retaliation for her public complaint last month to the school board. She had spoken to the principal, Willie Williams, she said, who had told her that there had been no openings in the Pre-K classes, but she had since spoken to other teachers who worked in Pre-K and learned that was not the case. She also did not believe that it was difficult for the school to reach her by telephone, because she didn't have a cell, since they had no trouble reaching her on other occasions.

"I've been flat-out storied to," she told the board as she concluded. "That shouldn't happen."

She then thanked the board for their time and the meeting adjourned.

Sheriff Commends Deputies

Madison County Sheriff Ben Stewart formally commended and recognized Corporal Kevin Stout, Deputy David Myers and Deputy Odell Livingston for their actions during a situation of duress that emulates the integrity and professionalism we have within the Madison County Sheriff's Office. Their unsolicited demeanor has distinguished them by heroism involving voluntary risk of life by taking immediate courageous action and humanitarian regard for their fellowman. These actions reflect great credit upon themselves and the Madison County Sheriff's Office.

On Thursday, Nov. 20, each deputy received a Commendation letter and certificate of recognition to formally and publicly commend them for the excellent level of service they provided. Sheriff Stewart thanked each deputy for their service to the Madison County Sheriff's Office and the citizens of Madison County and further expressed his gratitude

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County Looking To Sell Off Surplus Properties

By Jacob Bembry
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The Madison County Commission is looking to sell off some of its surplus properties.

Those interested in purchasing one or more of the properties should submit a written offer to Allen Cherry, County Coordinator, 229 SW Pinckney Street, Madison, FL 32340 and they will be presented to the County Commission for consideration.

Properties available include:

•4.498 acres in Norton Creek Subdivision, west of lots 1 and 2, located at SE Farm Road and SE Baldwin Drive

•One acre in Graceland Subdivision, off of NW Adele Trail, public purpose parcel near Block A, lots 16 and 17

•3.46 acres in River Highlands Subdivision, south of Black A, lot 50 and Block B, lot 1, located on NE Old Blue Springs Road.

For more information, please contact the County Coordinator's office at (850) 973-3179.

Unemployment Picture Continues To Improve

By Lazaro Aleman
Special to Greene Publishing, Inc.

The latest jobs statistics from the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (FDEO) show another small drop in the state's unemployment numbers, making for the lowest jobless rate since December 2008.

The FDEO figures, released on Friday, Nov. 16, put the state's unemployment rate at 8.5 percent, down 0.2-percentage point from the 8.7 percent of the previous month.

Likewise for Madison and Jefferson counties, whose jobless rates showed small declines in October. Specifically, Madison County's was 10.0 percent, down from 10.5 percent the previous month and Jefferson County's rate was 7.7 percent, down from 8.0 percent in October.

The FDEO reports that the state's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 1.7 percentage points lower than the 10.2 percent rate recorded last October.

The 8.5 percent jobless rate translates into 790,000 jobless Floridians out of a labor force of 9,342,000.

Mind: The jobless rate does not reflect individuals who have given up the search for work or who are underemployed or employed part time, inclusions of which would inflate the rate.

Seasonally adjusted, meanwhile, means that the figures have been purged of seasonal and other factors that would also increase the rate if counted.

The U.S. unemployment rate, meanwhile, was 7.9 percent in October, up 0.1-percentage point from the 7.8 percent reported in September.

The FDEO notes that Florida's seasonally adjusted total nonagricultural employment was 7,371,500 in October, "an increase of 14,700 jobs over the month.

"On an annual basis, the number of jobs in the state was up 67,600, an increase of 0.9 percent from October 2011," the FDEO reports. "Nationally, the number of jobs was up 1.6 percent over the year."

October was reportedly the 27th consecutive month showing positive annual job growth after the state lost jobs for three straight years.

For Madison County, the 10.0 percent translates into 723 jobless persons out of a labor force of 7,233, compared with 759 jobless persons out of a labor force of 7,245 in September.

In October 2011, the comparable figures were 838 jobless persons out of a labor force of 7,281, when the unemployment rate was 11.5 percent.

For Jefferson County, the 7.7 percent rate translates into 532 jobless persons out of a labor force of 6,916, compared with 550 jobless persons out of a labor force of 6,907 in September.

In October 2011, the comparable figures were 582 jobless persons out of a workforce of 6,890, when the unemployment rate was 8.4 percent.

The FDEO reports that the industry gaining the most jobs contin-

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Local Weather

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A few clouds. Highs in the mid 70s and lows in the low 50s.

Sat 11/24 66/37
Sunny. Highs in the mid 60s and lows in the upper 30s.

Sun 11/25 67/39
Abundant sunshine. Highs in the upper 60s and lows in the upper 30s.

Mon 11/26 73/52
Mostly sunny. Highs in the low 70s and lows in the low 50s.

Madison County Extension Service

Diann Douglas
Guest Columnist

Don't Let Holiday Overload Dampen Your Spirits

By now, we are all well on our way to what many describe as Holiday Overload.

This Thanksgiving weekend starts a marathon run for the next six weeks. There is shopping to do, children's school events, church functions and holiday gatherings. Don't forget too, there will be baking, meal planning, and covered dish preparations just to name a few. And, you can probably add many more activities to this list. By the end of the season, you may be so frazzled that you wish the holidays would come around every five years.

Keep in mind that you cant do everything. Plan your time and money so you enjoy a few activities rather than commit to too much. Here are a few tips from Extension Specialist in Family and Consumer Sciences to get you through the holiday season.

Plan your eating - It is often said that we gain 5 lbs. during the holiday season, the reality is that most people only gain 1 to 3 pounds. Enjoy the foods you like, just keep the portions in line. If you are at a party, fill your plate (dont overload it), save room for dessert and spend time socializing rather than eating everything in site. Cookies and candy are all part of the festivities, put your selection on a small plate or napkin and walk away from the tray.

Keep your activity level up and you will burn calories and relieve stress, so get some walking in during each day if it is only small amounts of time. Take a 15 minute walk during your lunch hour then, take a longer walk on the weekend. When you go shopping, park your car at the far end of the parking lot and walk to the stores. This idea works with weekly trips to the grocery store too. If you have a pedometer, wear it each day, you may be surprised how many steps you get in running errands. All you may need at the end of a day is quick walk to clear your head.

Plan Your Spending - Set a limit on the total dollars you will spend this holiday and stick to it. If you use credit, charge only what you can pay off on your next statement. This might mean family members recheck their list and prioritize the top 2 or 3 items. Drawing names instead of gift buying for every person work well with extended family.

Food spending is one category that many families overlook at the holiday season. Americans tend to center celebrations around food and the grocery bill can take a larger chunk of the monthly budget. Make a list and check it twice before going to the grocery store and eat before you go. It is a fact that being hungry while grocery shopping will cause you to put more in your food cart.

People tend to eat out more often during the holiday season simply because they have less time for meal preparation. This practice is very expensive and if you take time to record all of the money spent on meals away from home, you could probably fund your entire Christmas list by eliminating this one habit. Bottom line, be careful and keep eating out to a minimum during the holidays.

Dont overlook yourself - If you can, give yourself some time each day to relax. For some, it may mean getting up 30 minute earlier to read the paper without interruption. Other people might relax by a fire and reflect on the memories of the holidays. Do whatever works for you and create some down time to de-stress and keep holiday overload from taking over.

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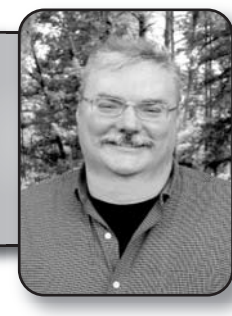

Jacob's Ladder

Jacob Bembry
Columnist

Because Of Mama

I've written about her many times, but I don't think I will ever be able to stress how important my mama was to my life. Many of the things I've accomplished and have become are because of her.

I remember, as an eleven-year-old, waiting one morning for the Sunday School bus to pick me up. I didn't want to go to church that day but Mama told me that I had to go. I protested and told her that I would be good and that I would read the Bible all the way through (all the time knowing as an 11-year-old that was a near impossible task for someone who would read five different books at a time and whose mind wandered and would not stay on task for very long).

Mama didn't invest one cent into my promises that day and, begrudgingly, I had to go off on a strange, Partridge Family-looking bus to a church that I had hardly ever set foot in, to a preacher who was also my fifth grade Social Studies teacher.

I got on the bus and realized that it wasn't all that bad. My buddy, Ricky Williams, was on there, going to the same church that I was. I made new friends, also, in Keith and Jeff Allen, and Dan and Doug Sculley.

The most important thing I did that day, however, was give my heart to the Lord. Although Ron Maddux was a little strange, and downright hilarious, his message hit home with me and convicted me of my need for Jesus.

Through the years, I wandered away from the Lord, but I made my way back.

Nov. 26 will mark the 14th anniversary of Mama having a stroke on Thanksgiving Day. That day was also her birthday. She never fully recovered from the stroke and she died on Jan. 16, 1999.

I don't believe a day goes by that I don't think about Mama. She taught me to love my family and to love the Lord. I remember her reading her Bible all the way through, maybe two or three times, the year she had the stroke. I did the same thing a few years later.

I encourage everyone that, if they have never read the Bible from cover to cover, to do it. It has to be a personal experience and I encourage you to do it for yourself. You will be amazed even after reading it through once that the next time, you will find something new.

Thank you, Mama.

Madison County...

Jail Report

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Archiebald Campbell - DUI

Robert James Whiting - Grand Theft

Daeon Rashod Bryant - Leaving Scene, Violation of Injunction

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Vicky Walker Hill-Failure to Appear - Trespassing After Warning

Antwoine Davis-Burglary, Resisting Without Violence, Theft/Felony Others

Kelvin Antonio Mutch - Trespassing

Shawn Pierre Livingston - Writ of Bodily Attachment (2 Counts)

Ryshand Oryan Robinson - Violation of Parole (Circuit)

Clark Gordon Goodman - Criminal Registration

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Gage Wayne Mendheim - Disorderly Conduct, Criminal Mischief

Calvilisha Devone Collins - No Valid Drivers License

Gregory Fiffia - Writ of Bodily Attachment

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Red, White and True Mysteries

Famous Broadcaster Connected To Famous Writer In Just Three Steps

You've probably heard the phrase, "Six Degrees of Separation." This is the story of how one giant in the broadcasting industry of the 1900's is connected to a giant in American literature of the 1800's, in just three steps.

Paul Aurandt (1918 – 2009) was connected to Mark Twain in a roundabout way. He was born in Tulsa, Oklahoma, to Harry and Anna Aurandt. When he was just 14, one of his teachers was so impressed by his voice that she suggested that he go to work at a local radio station. He took her advice, and was eventually allowed to read the news and commercials, which is what he did for his entire professional career as well.

He received an honorary degree from Washington University in St. Louis, which is where he met his wife, Lynne, in 1939. Lynne was a graduate of Washington University as well as a former schoolteacher. She and Paul met when they were both working for St. Louis radio station KXOK. Paul asked her out to dinner and proposed to her that same night! A year later, she accepted his proposal.

Lynne went on to become a radio producer for more than 60 years, becoming known as the "*First Lady of Radio*" and being inducted into the Radio Hall of Fame.

So how is this relevant to the story?

Well, you see, the medical school at Washington University was founded by a Dr. Joseph McDowell, who lived in Hannibal, Missouri, for several years. We all know that Mark Twain also lived in Hannibal. Dr. McDowell performed medical experiments on the deceased body of his 14-year-old daughter in a cave that he owned near Hannibal. It was known as McDowell's Cave.

Dr. McDowell also performed experiments on other cadavers. He and his medical students resorted to grave robbing as a way of obtaining those bodies, all in the name of medical research. "Body snatching" was illegal in those days, as was dissecting corpses.

So how is this relevant to the story?

Mark Twain fans recognize the name of McDougall's cave from the book, "*The Adventures of Tom Sawyer*." In the story, Twain writes about a Dr. Robinson who snatched a body from a local cemetery. The fictional McDougall's cave in the book is the same cave as the real-life McDowell's cave.

So the story of how Paul Aurandt is connected to Mark Twain comes full circle: He meets his future wife Lynne, a Washington University alum, in St. Louis. Washington University's medical school was established by Dr. Joseph McDowell, who owned the cave in Hannibal. The cave in '*The Adventures of Tom Sawyer*' was based on McDowell's cave. And Hannibal is where Mark Twain lived.

So who was this Paul Aurandt?

His full name was Paul Harvey Aurandt, but he dropped his last name and went by the name of Paul Harvey. It was his radio show, "*The Rest of the Story,*" that his wife Lynne created and produced for all those years.

I'm not going to tell you that now you know the rest of the story because that was his famous tagline, not mine.

But you knew that all along, didn't you?

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Deputies

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and appreciation for being allowed to employ men and women of their caliber.

The situation the Deputies responded to requiring such action was on Thursday, Nov. 1, at approximately 8:10 p.m., the Sheriff's Office Communication Center received a 911 call where a spouse requested immediate assistance concerning her husband abruptly leaving the house in his vehicle with a gun in hand threatening suicide. The caller provided a vehicle description but had no direction of travel. It was Corporal Stout who was dispatched to the call and, within 20 minutes, located the vehicle traveling on Cherry Lake Circle. Corporal Stout maintained surveillance before conducting a traffic stop as backup units were responding. As Deputy Odell Livingston and Deputy David Myers arrived in the area the traffic stop was conducted as the subject pulled into a driveway. The subject exited his vehicle with a long barrel gun in hand and refused to drop the firearm. Officers took cover as the subject refused to comply and drop the handgun. The subject re-entered the vehicle with the barrel of the gun pointing upwards and began shouting to officers that he would shoot himself if they did not leave the area. Corporal Stout radioed for additional assistance to include the Sheriff's Office negotiator. However, Corporal Stout recognized the imminent threat of bodily injury in the situation as the subject continued shouting threats. Corporal Stout began speaking with the subject in an attempt to defuse him as he continually raised the barrel of the gun towards himself.

Deputy Myers had positioned himself covertly within thirty feet of the subject's passenger side of the vehicle and not in view of the subject. Deputy Myers noted the passenger side window was down on the vehicle, which would allow him to possibly approach and Taser the subject. Corporal Stout noted the more he spoke with the subject the more agitated he became and would actually turn outwards the driver's window and shout back at him simultaneously putting both hands out the window making gestures. Corporal Stout was clearly convinced the situation was impossible to resolve peacefully and the subject would not comply without some use of force. The situation clearly posed an imminent threat of safety of the subject or themselves. The officers on scene developed an immediate plan of action for Corporal Stout to heavily engage in conversation with the subject for distraction and attempt to have the subject turn and put both hands out the window in frustration allowing Deputy Myers to approach undetected from the opposite side and deploy his Taser. The planned course of action was successfully executed and Deputy Myers deployed his Taser striking the subject allowing Corporal Stout and Livingston the seconds needed to apprehend the subject and remove him from the vehicle without further incident. The officers located and secured the shotgun with six additional shells. The subject was secured without harm and transported to Appalachee for mental evaluations.

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ued to be professional and business services, up 25,600 jobs, followed by trade, transportation, and utilities, up 23,300 jobs; private education and health services, up 23,100 jobs; leisure and hospitality, up 12,500 jobs; financial activities, up 6,900 jobs.

The industries losing jobs over the year continued to be total government, down 12,900 jobs; construction, down 4,900;other services, down 4,200 jobs; information, down 1,000 jobs; and manufacturing, down 900 jobs.

Monroe County continued to have the state's lowest unemployment rate at 4.7 percent, followed by Walton County at 5.4 percent; Okaloosa County at 5.7 percent; and Wakulla County at 5.9 percent.

Hendry County continued to have the state's highest unemployment rate at 12.6 percent, followed by Flagler County at 11.3 percent; St. Lucie County at 10.9 percent; Putnam County at 10.3 percent; and Indian River County at 10.2 percent.

The FDEO reports that six of Florida's 67 counties experienced double-digit unemployment in October, down from 12 in September.

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date of the school improvement plan workshop, moving it to Monday, Dec. 3, at 6 p.m. The workshop will review school improvement plans submitted by each school in the district, and give school board members a chance to ask questions and gather more information before they vote on the issue in a regular meeting. The public is invited to attend the Monday evening workshop and observe the proceedings.

Speaking as Superintendent, Brown reminded the board members that Greenville Country Christmas was next month and mentioned that the school board had traditionally been a part of the parade, and also took a few moments to praise Madison County High School student Clay Sapp on his election as the National President of the FFA (Future Farmers of America).

"I don't think I can overstate what a big deal this is," said Brown, adding that he planned to attend several FFA events the coming school year.

Forgery

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ding to a Madison County Sheriff's Office report, Deputy Daniel Dukes and Deputy Keith Kirkland responded to a residence in the county in reference to a caretaker, Michael Mosher, taking money from his patient without the patient's knowledge. Upon their arrival, they made contact the suspect and the victim, as well as family members of the victim.

The victim said that his bank had contacted him about cashing a check for Mosher signed by the victim. The victim denied writing any checks.

A preliminary investigation revealed that Mosher had reportedly forged and uttered a number of checks belonging to the victim.

In Mosher's sworn statement, after his arrest, he admitted that he had started forging and cashing the checks six or seven months earlier. He said that the checks, which ranged in value from $500 to $1,500 were used to pay bills and go on vacations.

Conservative Corner

By KrisAnne Hall

The Price of Hope, Life, Fortune, Sacred Honor

On November 6, 2012 approximately 11:34PM EST we registered the death of the American Republic. Our founders said time and time again our destruction will come from within. They were right. "A Republic if you can keep it" said Franklin. I'm sorry, Mr. Franklin, we could not. But Mr. Franklin, we will not quit. We are Americans. We don't quit. We never have, we never will. ...

Sacrifice. Anger. Frustration. Resolve. That is the price that must be paid to preserve the blessings of liberty to our posterity, that is the price of HOPE. ...

When I joined the military, I swore to support and defend the Constitution. I took an oath when I was sworn in as an attorney in the state of Florida to support and defend the Constitution. I took the same oath when I was sworn in as an assistant state attorney for Florida. I know that these oaths NEVER expire. Every day of my life, as I travel across this country teaching the truth about the foundation of the greatest nation in the world, I renew that oath in my heart and in my mind and in my soul. I will not let that oath die, and I intend to keep it to my very last breath. I don't do this for me. I don't do this for you. I certainly don't do this for the millions out there who obviously have no intent to think for themselves. I do this for liberty. I do this for our children. And I believe it as I've never believed anything before. This reasoning is why our founders were able to pledge life and fortune and sacred honor for a generation that they would never know. They believed in their hearts and in their souls that without liberty, life was not worth living. ... How can we even consider wavering in our stand, much less quitting altogether? What an insult to our framers. ... They were dedicated to the cause of liberty and to the battle against tyranny.

...Patriot, when you are finished grieving over the death of the Republic, there will be work to do .... Our obligation does not lie with those who will not listen nor care. Our obligation lies in the same place it has always rested for centuries, our obligation lies with our children. Never falter, never fail. For if we do, we will condemn our children to buy back a gift that has been bought for us, we will condemn our children to be slaves. And they will be forced to purchase back their liberty "with their own blood."

Grieving is not a sign of weakness, quitting is. ... We have a marvelous history to live up to. We have a marvelous God who is with us. This is not defeat; this is motivation for the brave, the strong, and the true! So go ahead and grieve, you deserve that right. But when you are done be sure you know, as Patrick Henry said, "we are armed with the holy cause of liberty and we serve a just God." We will still be victorious! We know the Author and the Finisher of this work and the end of the story has already been written.

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Powers swerved off the roadway to the left into the grass median to avoid a collision with the traffic in front of her. The Pontiac traveled into the grass median where the front left bumper collided with a tree.

The Pontiac overturned before coming to rest facing in a northerly direction.

Powers suffered minor injuries in the mishap.

FHP Trooper H. Rothell was the investigating officer.

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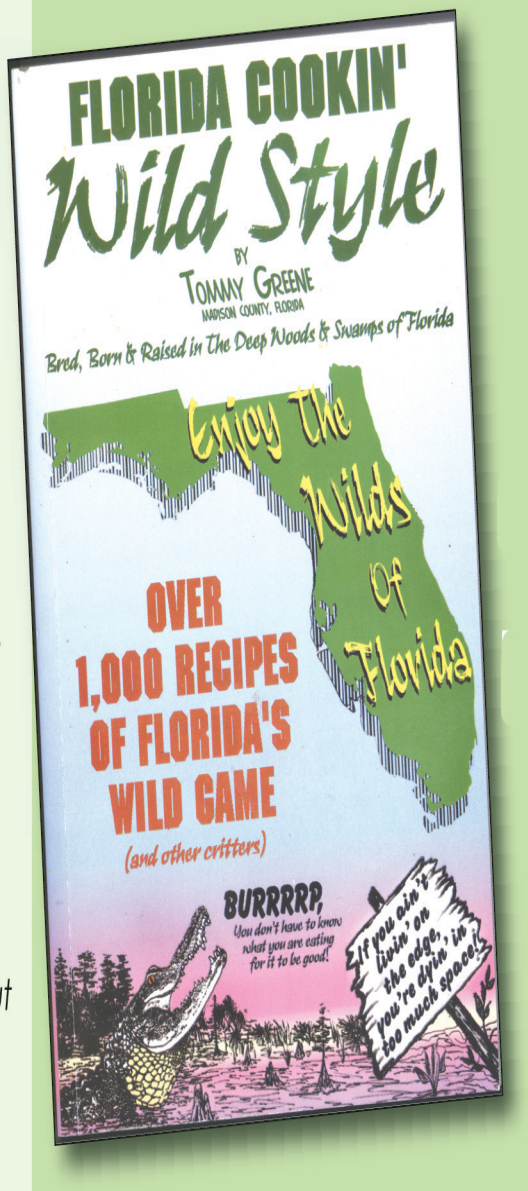

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Obituary

Ruby Ulm

Ruby Floree McCullough Ulm died Wednesday, November 21, 2012, in Tallahassee at the age of 92. She was born on July 4, 1920, at home in Madison County to William Irwin and Kathleen Lockhart McCullough. She attended school at Lee and Macedonia schools and graduated from Madison High School. She attended the then Florida State College for Women and received her degree in Elementary Education and the Florida State University for a Master's Degree in Library Science. She did all of this by commuting to Tallahassee in the evenings and in the summer while teaching and raising her children. She taught in several elementary schools in Madison County, beginning at the Shaw two-teacher school. She later worked as Librarian at Madison High School, and finished her career as Assistant Librarian at North Florida Junior College. She retired after working 39 1/2 years in education.

Ruby was blessed by the support of her husband, A. C. Ulm, enabling her to serve in various offices of her state professional associations, including being President of the Florida Association of School Librarians. She was also a member of the Madison Woman's Club, the Audrey Newman Circle of First United Methodist Church, and the Delta Kappa Gamma honorary teacher society. She grew up in and was a member of a place near and dear to her heart, the Hickory Grove United Methodist Church.

She is survived by two children, Sandra Ulm of Tallahassee and Madison, who was her long-time care-giver, and a son, Irwin "Buddy" Ulm and wife Ann of Anderson, South Carolina. She has four grandchildren: Kathy Schreiber (Robert), Andy Ulm, John Wesley Ulm (Sheri), and Sharon Evans, seven great-grandchildren: Andrea and Stephanie Ulm, Will and Katelyn Schreiber, Morgan Ulm, and Isabella "Izzy" and Rohwan Evans, and one great-great grandchild: Lane Chesser. Debbie Roessler was also special to "Miss Ruby," who mentored Debby for 12 years and saw her succeed in her chosen field of nursing. The family also appreciates Rosa Brown who helped Sandra take care of "Miss Ruby." She was preceded in death by her husband A. C. Ulm in 1986, and her parents.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. on Saturday, November 24, 2012 at Hickory Grove United Methodist Church with burial at Hickory Grove Cemetery. Visitation will be Friday from 5-7 p.m. at Beggs Funeral Home Madison Chapel. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Hickory Grove United Methodist Church Memorial Fund, P. O. Box 303, Pinetta, FL 32350.

Two Cowboys Named To All District Band

On Saturday the 17th, students from the bands at Madison County High traveled to Lincoln High School to compete for spots in the Florida Bandmasters Association (FBA) District 3 All District Band. Madison has been well represented for the last five years and this year is no exception. Auditions for this ensemble are very demanding. Students must perform twelve major scales memorized in less than three minutes, a prepared solo and a sight reading selection. Leon, Madison, Taylor, Hamilton, Jefferson, Wakulla and Gadsden counties all send students to auditions in an effort to offer students a musical experience they could not get at their own schools.

This year MCHS had two students complete the audition process and get selected for the Honor Band. Joshua Stafford, a junior Trombone player, is the Drum Major of the Vaquero Guard and is participating in this band for the second time. Senior tuba player, Cullen Gudz, is the Brass Captain of the bands at Madison County High School and has been selected for a second year in this ensemble as well.

Now that the best music students in the district have been selected, rehearsals will begin. The final concert performance will be held at Lawton Chiles High School in Tallahassee on January 26th, 2013.

Photo submitted

MCHS students Cullen Gudz (left) and Joshua Stafford (right) were named to the 2012 All District Band.

Correction

In the previous Remembrance of Things Past article on Elesta Pritchett, it was mistakenly stated that Ray Charles was born in Greenville. Ray Charles was actually born in Albany, Ga. on September 23, 1930.

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Becky's Dance Steps Studio Shines At DMI Competition

By Kristin Finney
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Becky's Dance Steps Studio's competition team attended Dance Makers, Inc.'s regional convention and competition in Mobile, Ala. The competition was held Nov. 9 -11 at the Renaissance Riverview Plaza Hotel and Convention Center. There were 19 students in total that attended the competition ranging in age from 3-19 years old. The students were helped and encouraged by their "support team" which included many family members and friends.

The competition included several classes that were taught by renowned faculty from all over the United States. Becky's Dance Steps Studio had eight entries in this year's competition. They were: "Car Wash," "Papa Loves Mambo," "Annie's Song," "Dynamite," "Razzle Dazzle," "Party Rock Anthem," "Lover" and "Hot Honey Rag."

"Car Wash" was a jazz solo by Layla Peavey who is three years old, the youngest team member that BDSS has ever had. She competed in the Camp Dance Adventure division and won second place and was also awarded the title of "Miss Camp Dance Adventure."

"Papa Loves Mambo" was a tap group performance in the Camp Dance Adventure Division. It was performed by Madison Christ, Regan Crosby, Calli Knight, Emma Grace Newman and Allie Wilkerson. It won first place and Best in Category in the Overalls.

"Annie's Song" was in the pre-teen division and it was a ballet duo/trio performed by Savanna Edwards, Caibre Johnson and Savanna Wilford. It won second place.

"Dynamite" was performed by Savanna Edwards, Jared Gilbert, Caibre Johnson and Savanna Wilford. It was a Pre-teen Division Jazz Group number that won second place.

"Razzle Dazzle" was performed by Brittany Edwards, Erin Jarvis, Summer Langell and Haley Rogers. It was a pre-teen division tap group number. It won first Place and High Score in the Overalls.

"Party Rock Anthem" was performed by Brittany Edwards, Erin Jarvis, Summer Langell and Haley Rogers. It was a Pre-teen Division Jazz Group number that won second place.

"Lover" was performed by Sara Ashley, Amelia Blanton, Pazlei Jenkins and Cheltsie Kinsley. It was a senior division ballet group that won second place.

"Hot Honey Rag" was performed by Sara Ashley, Amelia Blanton, Brigitte Blanton, Pazlei Jenkins and Cheltsie Kinsley. It was a senior division tap group number that won first place and Judges Choice in the Overalls.

All of the dances from BDSS entered in the competition qualified to attend DMI National Finals to be held in Myrtle Beach, SC on June 22-26, 2013.

Studio Owner and Co-Director of the team, Becky Robinson, stated "I was very proud of our dancers and the way they represented our studio and community in Mobile. The team members spend countless hours at the studio practicing and perfecting their competition routines and it is very rewarding to see all of their hard work and dedication pay off. This was also the first time that our studio placed in the Overalls in each age division entered. That's quite an accomplishment!" Team Director and former BDSS team member herself, Toni Blanton, stated "It's rewarding to see the dancers receiving recognition for their efforts and learning from their DMI experience which really helps them become better performers. Many of our team members have competed together for several years now which makes them fierce competitors that are exciting to watch!"

Photo taken by Lori Newman

Three year old Layla Peavey stands proudly with her trophies won at DMI – Mobile. She was awarded a second place/participation trophy in the Camp Dance Adventure – Solo jazz division and the title of "Miss Camp Dance Adventure."

Photo taken by Lori Newman

A representative of each age category from Becky's Dance Steps Studio that competed at DMI – Mobile proudly displays the trophies they won in the Overalls as they stand with their instructors. (Front Row) – Calli Knight, Emma Grace Newman, Madison Christ and Allie Wilkerson. (Back Row) – Regan Crosby, Becky Robinson, Brigitte Blanton, Layla Peavey, Haley Rogers and Toni Blanton.

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Seen from left to right are Haley Rogers, Erin Jarvis, Summer Langell and Brittany Edwards also competed in the Pre-teen Group division and won a first place and second place trophy for each of their dances in tap and jazz.

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Dancing with Miss Puffie (Joan Lather, DMI Faculty member and childrens' dance expert) was a highlight of the weekend for Emma Grace Newman, Allie Wilkerson, Calli Knight, Madison Christ and Regan Crosby.

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"Papa Loves Mambo" was awarded a first place trophy in the Camp Dance Adventure – Group Tap division. The adorable dancers were Calli Knight, Madison Christ, Regan Crosby, Allie Wilkerson and Emma Grace Newman.

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Team members (left to right) Savanna Wilford, Jared Gilbert, Savanna Edwards and Caibre Johnson performed in the Pre-teen Group division and earned two second place trophies.

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The Senior Team members competed in the Group Tap and Group Ballet categories and won first place and second place trophies. The dancers were Cheltsie Kinsley, Pazlei Jenkins, Amelia Blanton, Sara Ashley and Brigitte Blanton.

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Farm Bureau Celebrates Farm-City Week

By Jacob Bembry
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Farm-City Week was celebrated with a dinner at the Farm Bureau office on Tuesday evening, Nov. 20.

The Farm City dinner began with Madison Mayor Jim Stanley signing the proclamation recognizing Farm City Week.

Guest speaker C.B. Crawford spoke on the importance of the event.

Farm-City Week always begins the Friday before Thanksgiving and ends on Thanksgiving Day. This year, the dates were Nov. 16-22.

According to www.freshfromfloridablog.com: "The Farm-City movement was created to link farmers with those in urban communities, and to educate city dwellers about the people who grow their food."

Participants and winners of a fourth grade essay contest on Farm-City Week were also present at the meeting, except for first place winner Matthew Gasler (Madison County Central School) and fourth place winner, Savanna Pitts (Lee Elementary School).

Kersten Malone from Madison Academy finished second in the essay contest and Essence Thomas from Madison County Central School finished third.

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Each year during the week before Thanksgiving agricultural producers join with other residents to celebrate their mutual relationships during Farm-City Week. A national observance, Farm-City Week 2012 will be celebrated from Nov. 16 through Nov. 22.

Members of County Farm Bureaus and other volunteers throughout Florida will mark the occasion by holding public meal functions, sponsoring farm tours and conducting other activities that help educate non-farmers about contemporary agriculture. Many Farm Bureau members will make donations of food to charitable organizations that aid needy citizens as part of the event.

Participants in Farm-City Week will also emphasize the importance of essential relationships with urban residents to supply, sell and deliver finished products across the country and around the world. The availability of a safe, abundant domestic food supply makes possible the quality of life in our state.

Good management of farm properties provides greenspace, maintains wildlife habitat, preserves freshwater recharge areas and controls invasive species.

"Every day our Florida farmers and ranchers work hard to produce more than 300 commodities," said John Hoblick, president of Florida Farm Bureau Federation. "They know that it takes many partnerships with other citizens to bring food to the family table. We are proud of those partnerships and we look forward to celebrating them during Farm-City Week. We also appreciate the efforts of so many volunteers around the state in planning and organizing Farm-City Week events."

According to researchers at the University of Florida's Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences, agriculture and related sectors generate an economic impact of $135 billion annually. This sector also employs more than 1.6 million workers in our state.

Farm-City Week gives all of us an opportunity to thank our fellow Floridians who help make the bounty of our food supply possible.

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Florida Farm Bureau is the Sunshine State's largest general agricultural organization with more than 147,000 member-families representing Farm Bureaus in 60 counties. Membership provides a multitude of benefits and you don't have to be a farmer to be a member of Florida Farm Bureau.

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Farm Bureau President Jeffery Hamrick is pictured with his wife, Liz, and their daughter, Lauren.

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G.B. Crawford, guest speaker at Farm City Week, spoke on the importance of Farm City Week.

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Farm Bureau President Jeffery Hamrick is shown with a bowl of pudding and a candle that he was given at the Farm City Week dinner in honor of his birthday, which was the following day (November 21) after the dinner.

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Jeffery Hamrick and Essence Thomas (student at Madison Central) she was the 3rd place winner and received a cash prize.

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Jeffery Hamrick, President of Madison Co Farm Bureau and Jim Stanley, Madison City Mayor signs the Proclamation Regarding National Farm City Week

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Jeffery Hamrick and Kersten Malone (student at Madison Academy) she was the 2nd place winner and received a cash prize.

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All fourth grade students that participated in the Essay Contest who were present at the Farm City Week Dinner.

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The people working in the kitchen during Farm City Week included, from left to right: Lynn King, Freddy Pitts, Brenda Pitts, Ginny Paarlberg, Lindsey Lawson, Glen King and Melissa Bass.

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Elected Officers Sworn In At Courthouse Ceremony

By Lynette Norris
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Friday evening, Nov. 16, in front of a nearly-full courtroom, retiring County Judge Wetzel Blair performed one of his final official duties, swearing in the newly-elected and re-elected officials for Madison, including his replacement, the newly- elected E. Bailey Browning.

Rev. Octavious Tookes opened the ceremony with prayer, Kaomi Ghent sang an a capella rendition of "America the Beautiful" to set the stage, and Judge Blair welcomed everyone. As he called the first official, E. Bailey Browning, to the front of the courtroom, he invited each one to go ahead and bring their families and friends to the front as well and let everyone pose for photos as each official was sworn in, because, "I guarantee you it won't be that easy to get pictures afterward."

Following Browning, the Judge Blair swore in re-elected officials Sheriff Ben Stewart and Clerk of the Courts Tim Sanders, new Supervisor of Elections Tommy Hardee, re-elected Property Appraiser Leigh Barfield, new Tax Collector Lisa Tuten, new School Superintendent Doug Brown, re-elected School Board Member Kenny Hall, new School Board Member Karen Pickles, new County Commissioner Ronnie Moore and returning County Commissioner Justin Hamrick.

After the eleventh and last official present was sworn in, the ceremony concluded and Rev. Oliver Bradley dismissed everyone with a word of prayer.

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Returning Commission for District One, Justin Hamrick is sworn in.

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New school board member Karen Pickles takes the oath of office. She will represent District Four, taking over for longtime school board member Clyde Alexander, who served on the board for 26 years.

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New Tax Collector Lisa Tuten takes the oath of office. Tuten replaces retiring tax collector Frances Ginn.

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Judge Blair swears in Leigh Barfield, seen here with family and staff members from the Property Appraiser's office.

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Holding his young son, the New Supervisor of Elections Tommy Hardee takes the oath of office.

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Madison County Sheriff Ben Stewart receives the oath of office.

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The Madison County Commission will see a new, but familiar, face at its next meeting; Judge Blair swears in Ronnie Moore to represent District Three.

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Re-elected to the school board, Kenny Hall will continue representing District Two.

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Doug Brown is sworn in as the new school superintendent. Brown replaces retiring superintendent and long-time educator Lou Miller.

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Surrounded by family and friends, Clerk of Court Tim Sanders is sworn in.

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Retiring County Judge Wetzel Blair administers the oath of office to incoming County Judge E. Bailey Browning.

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Rick Davis was sworn in as County Commissioner for District 5. From left to right: his daughter, Nicole; his son, Cody; his wife, Lisa; and Rick Davis.

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Hayden Ashworth, Ethan Bass, Nash Beshears, Suzanne Beshears, Natalie Clark, Lauren Davis, Kristina Everly, Jacob Flynt, Josh Forehand, Emma Green, Kyle Hamrick, Logan Reidle, Feren Rosas, Baylor Sever, Caleb Walker, Raegan Walker, Jason Wheeler
All E, S+, S
Elizabeth Walker

First Grade (Roberts)
All A
Riley Beggs, Tyson Clark, Harper Davis, Adam Day, Wyman Demott, Lauchlin Faglie, Daniel Hoenstine, Chase Oester, Kylee Padgett, Walker Sparkman, Emma Vickers
All A and B
Joshua Boland, Dalton Demott, Leigha Hunt, Jadyn Kinsey, Joshua Payne, Zachary Sears, Tyler Stowers, Emilee Walker

Second Grade (Love)
All A
Jace Grant, Daisy Kinard, Haylie McLeod, Kaitlin Tharpe, Ali Townsend
All A and B
Ryan Adams, Joleane Alexandrou, Brewster Bass, Destiny Clore, Aiden Day, Axel Day, Anna Drawdy, Sammi Drawdy, Richard Guo, Tyler Hoenstine, Samuel Kennedy, Kenzie Key, Macy Reagan, Lillie Schwier, Carline Taylor, Emma Tharpe, Paxton Williams

Third Grade (Aman)
All A
Turner Beshears, Kasey Chmura, Tag Williams
All A and B
Caitlin Bates, Jacob Green, Mandy Guo, Oliver Hutsell, Trent Rabon, Addison Shiver, Megan Vann, Tristan Walker, Ben Whiddon

Fourth Grade Multi-Age (Falk)
All A
Lindsey Davis, Joey Davis, Keira Evans
All A and B
Selina Drawdy, Riley Hamrick, Travis Wheeler

Fourth Grade (Whiddon)
All A
Kolton Gramling, Jared Grant, Riley Rowe, Olivia Walton, Ginger Whiddon
All A and B
Xander Ames, Jeb Beshears, Brady Browning, Dean Forehand, James Hightower, Liam Mediate, Krishan Patel, Alissa Roland, Jarrett Roland, MaryRose Schwier, Wyatt Stafford, Will Sullivan, Makayla Walker

Fifth Grade Multi-Age (Falk)
All A
Bailey McLeod
All A and B
Jamieson Dalzell, Ansley English, Nathan Green, Carl Hall, Austin Wheeler

Fifth Grade (Hughey)
All A and B
Jacob Barker, Dawson Bishop, Hailey Clark, Nathan Dukes, Jason Hamilton, Brandon Hannon, Pierce Powers, Abby Reams, Marley Restrepo, Albree Shiver

Sixth Grade
All A
Emily Brock, Carley Ondash, Megan Schofill, Dilyn Stowers
All A and B
Brandon Bates, Grace Beshears, Emily Forehand, Ian Hutsell, Rachel Johnson, Hayley Lewis, Chloe Reams

Seventh Grade
All A
Timothy Finlayson, Camryn Grant, Mickaela Whiddon
All A and B
Skylar Dickey, Jacob Dukes, Jessica Giddens, Elizabeth Hightower, Evan Hocking, Katie James, Carly Joiner, Haley Jones, Abigail Morgan, Hanna Searcy, Brandon Slaughter, Joe Walton, Ria Wheeler

Eighth Grade
All A
Joe Hannon, Kate Whiddon
All A and B
Traynor Barker, Meagan Beaty, Cali Burkett, Stephanie English, Joshua Greene, Sarah Hall, Chaz Hamilton, Kelly Horne, Brittany Hughes, Jenny Jackson, Heather James, Hannah Lewis, Kirsten Reagan, Ramsey Sullivan

Ninth Grade
All A
Dorian Alberti, Corey Brandies, Taylor Copeland, Zachery Peterson, Emma Witmer
All A and B
Dalton Gramling, Abigail Hettinger, Sam Hogg, Savannah Jenkins, Taylor McKnight, Taylor Nugent, Kyle Rogers, T. J. Swords, Sarah Tharpe

Tenth Grade
All A
Morgan Cline, Sarah James, Kinzi Mattingly
All A and B
Austin Bishop, Ricky Finlayson, Carson Nennstiel, Monique Restrepo

Eleventh Grade
All A
Aimee Love, Whitney Stevens
All A and B
Cole Davis, Lauren Demott, Hunter Horne, Ashlyn Mills, Sara Peeler

Twelfth Grade
All A
Ashli Cline, Jay Finlayson, Jared Jackson, Kaley Love, Hadley Revell, Audrey Waters, Josh Wood
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Happenings

At Madison First Baptist Church

Submitted By Nell Dobbs
Guest Columnist

On "The Day After," we continue giving God thanks for His Great Gift — His Son and every good and perfect gift.

May we continue to be in prayer, and
*be awake
*be alert
*be wise
*be discerning
*be thankful
*be seasoned with salt
*be full of grace
*be careful to answer every man as we ought (this is from Preacher's message from Colossians 4).

Danielle Fries invited the entire church to help her sing "Worthy is the Lamb," which was great. Ray Pike gave earnest Offertory Prayer and very touching. Worship Choir blessed all as they sang "Through the Storm.

Thankful our church reached out to the community with Thanksgiving meals on the 17th with over 200 meals distributed. My family and I are personally thankful for the large Thankgiving basket Preacher Gabe brought to us. Big Jess, little Jesse, Sara Dene (who is here without her family), and I will enjoy all this bountiful food on Thanksgiving Day. I'm thankful for a wonderful, loving church that ministers to me and many, many others.

Beautiful flower were placed in the sanctuary last Sunday by Dr. William B. Clark, IV and his family in loving memory of Rosalie and Van H. Priest.

Thanks given by Lynne Sapp for every expression of love for her as she had surgery and to Sally Johnson for her gift of service on the piano while Lynne was in Shands.

Thanks by our Sandra Shannon to Carol Bynum for her filling in as church secretary while Sandra was out with knee surgery. She is also thankful for many prayers, cards, and calls.

On Sunday, November 25, at 5:00 p.m., there will be a Youth Scavenger Hunt at the home of Tim and Paula Ginn. Fellowship and dessert after the scavenger hunt will be at the home of Brett and Stacy Frakes. Bless these two couples and all others who work with our youth.

Our Christmas Cantata, "And on Earth, Peace," will be December 2 at 6 p.m. with a fellowship afterwards.

Prayers of comfort for these families who recently lost loved ones: Rev. Ben Pfeil, Lauretta Bottomly, and Jesse Brown.

Continued prayers for the family of Mr. Jean Coleman in their loss of this special man. When Preacher Gabe asked him if he were ready to go, he answered with these nine syllable words:

I know that He has paid for my life. May we all be ready and willing to give assurance of our salvation.

Prayers for other ill ones of our church: Preacher Jeff Cordero at Shands (Amy Robinson's dad), Janice Hayes (South Georgia), Virginia Usina (TMH), Dr. and Mrs. James A. Davis, Mikey Wilson, Jo Floyd, Jeannette Mitchell, and the many with pneumonia and all other health problems.

Though the official designated holiday season known as Thanksgiving will soon come to an end and we prepare for Christmas, may we continue to always thank God for His blessings in our lives as we strive to become more like Jeus. May we exhibit more of His character, which began at our conversion experience, and will reach fulfillment in eternity.

May God bless us one and all. Amen.

The Angel Tree

By George Blevins, Salvation Army

Want to be an Angel? You can.

It's Christmas time again and isn't it fantastic! The time of year we celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior! so we start with the most wonderful gift of all, how could it not be fantastic!!!

Don't you love this time of year when people find more ways than usual to express their love for each other and take time to think about those less fortunate. Don't we seem to be a gentler and a more caring people as a whole this time of year? I think so!

The Salvation Army Angel tree is back in the Courthouse again this year thanks to Tim Sanders and his gracious staff! We look forward to seeing YOU at the tree again this year and for those who are new to the Angel Tree it works like this:

Go to the tree and select a local childs card hanging on the tree. This card will have clothing sizes and wish list from the child. Take the removable part of the card with you shopping and return the gift with the card to the Courthouse Room 101. (Instructions are also on a board at the tree)

The kids you become an Angel for are for the most part kids who don't think much about Christmas gifts; yes they would like to have gifts but most are worried about their family having food, warm clothing and a warm house. These kids need an Angel like you! Please help.

The family of the children on this tree will also receive a full Christmas food box from The Salvation Army so a monetary donation or donations of food to help with the food box will be greatly appreciated!

God bless!

New Pastor To Be Installed At Damascus Missionary Baptist Church

Rev. Dr. Martae I. Telfair-Smith, Sr. will be installed as the pastor of Damascus Missionary Baptist Church on Sunday, Dec. 2, at 3 p.m.

The special guest speaker for the occasion will be Rev. Thomas D.A. Blue, pastor of New Bibleway Baptist Church of Gainesville.

The FAMU Legacy Concert Choir will be the guest choir.

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Remembrance of Things Past: Bobby Bembry

By Kristin Finney
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Memories are one of the most important things that a person can hold on to. There is no time that this rings truer, than when someone passes away and all you are left with are the memories that you shared with that person. Bobby Bembry has many fond memories of his younger brother, Frank Bembry, who passed away on Christmas in 1967, and many other family members. Bobby was born in Dasher, Ga. He spent his life in Madison and Hamilton County.

Bobby recalled a time that Frank, Gene Clark, Howard Tuten, and Clifford Ragans were over at a Clifford's house. Clifford's sister, Annell, was tending to their mom while the boys were playing. The two ladies left and Clifford Ragans and Frank started fighting.

Bobby also recalled when he was in the Air Force. He was in the Air Force for a year and a half. When he was in the Air Force his family lived near 53 South in Madison. During his time serving, he was stationed at Luke Air Force Base in Arizona and at Fairbanks, Alaska. During that time, his younger brother Carlton said that he was going to take one of the crop dusting planes and go to Arizona and he was going get Bobby and bring him back home.

Bobby Bembry is seen with his physical therapists after having a hip replacement surgery. Behind him, left to right, are Summer Croft, Rachel Gee and Jennifer Barrington.

Also, while Bobby was in the Air Force in Arizona, he served as a fire fighter. President Eisenhower's plane had to make an emergency landing while flying over Arizona and Bobby's team had to spray the runway down with foam. The President's plane landed at the Air Force base and Bobby was able to shake the President's hand.

Bobby was sent home after a year and a half in the Air Force to take care of his mom and siblings because his dad had passed away. He returned home to care for them for a while and then went into the Army to serve his last year and a half. He was stationed at Fort Chaffey in Arkansas.

When Bobby married his wife, Louella, he was so nervous that she would change her mind and not show up that he went to pick her up himself.

Bobby was married to Louella for 36 years. She passed away in 1999. They had seven children,three passed away. Their children are: Jacob, Robert, Susie, Debbie, Danny, Abbie and Sally. Robert and Sally passed away from cystic fibrosis and Susie passed away because she was born premature.

Remembrance Of Comedians Past

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Veteran Nashville entertainer Jerry Clower, center, jokes with Jimmy Davis, left, of Madison, and Don Faircloth, of Perry. Clower was in Perry on June 10, 1976 for a show, which was hosted by Faircloth, who owned a Ford dealership in Perry.

Way Back When

November 27, 1942

The Thanksgiving game to be played on Lanier Field Thursday afternoon wil be between Madison High and Jasper High. Kickoff is set for 4 o'clock.

Ragans Motor Company was awarded the War Production Board's banner here this week by Candler Watkins, Salvage Inspector, War Production Board, Tallahassee.

Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Gainey and Miss Catherine Gainey of Birmingham, Ala., are spending the week here with Mr. F.L. Cantey and family.

Miss Ruth Widner has accepted a position on the faculty of the Pinetta High School as instructor of Home Economics and Science, filling the vacancy made by the resignation of Mrs. S.G. Morrow.

November 21, 1952

Dorothy Jean Moore, age four, injured her left eye when she ran into a switch last week. It is thought that she will lose her sight in that eye.

Buford Selman was in charge of the program at the Lions Club meeting Tuesday and told of his recent trip to the Fitform Company school in Atlanta and gave excerpts of a book he bought while in the Georgia city.

Jack Seago had the misfortune to get his left hand caught in a corn picker while working on the Seago place in Lovett last Thursday morning, mashing his fingers painfully.

Bob Browning made an interesting talk on John R. Mott, one of the leaders of the Protestant church, at the general meeting of Presbyterian women Monday afternoon. He also read the Scripture and gave a short devotional.

November 23, 1962

Last Friday afternoon, a Chevrolet owned by Miss Willie Phillips and driven by Frank Whigham, collided with a Chevrolet, driven by Arnold Eagan at the corner of Base and Hancock Streets. No injuries, little damage, no charges.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Smith of Monticello came Sunday for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Larrie J. Cherry and family and attended services at the Lee Methodist Church.

Army Specialist Four Ben McGhee recently was assigned to the 7th Infantry Division in Korea.

Word was received that Specialist Four Donald C. Wilson was flown back to his base Wednesday at Ft. Story, Va., after a month of special duty for the Cuban Alert at the NAS, Sanford.

November 24, 1972

The historical marker will be dedicated at Hickstown, seven miles westof Madison on Highway 90 west at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 26. The public is invited.

Mrs. A.G. Paul and Mrs. Lois McColksey of Lake City were guests of Mrs. J.G. Ashley a few days this week.

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Under the Authority of the Self-Service Storage Facility Act, Section 83.805 the described below has been seized for nonpayment of rent and other accrued expenses. The property consists primarily of household & personal goods in units rented by: **Victoria Solomon, Terrisha Evans, Shaquitha Whitfield, Bridgette Jackson, Sharonda Pryor and Savilla Murphy.** The property will be sold at auction to the highest bidder as provided by the Self-Storage Facility Act, Section 83.806. the sale will be held Saturday December 1, 2012., at the Madison Mini Storage, 1098 E. U.S. Hwy 90, in Madison, Florida. For further information call 850-973-2008.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

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CERTIFICATE NO: **10-207-TD**
YEAR OF ISSUANCE: **2010**
NAME IN, WHICH ASSESSED: **SANJEEV & SUSAN RAMASAWMI**

PARCEL ID: **09-1S-10-1185-0NC-012**

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Lot 12, NORTON CREEK SUBDIVISION, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 2, Pages 31-33, Public Records of Madison County, Florida.

All of said property being in the County of Madison, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to the law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the west front door at the Madison County Courthouse on the **13th** day of **December 2012** at 11:00 a.m.

Dated this 6th day of November 2012.

TIM SANDERS
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CERTIFICATE NO: **10-554-TD**
YEAR OF ISSUANCE: **2010**
NAME IN, WHICH ASSESSED: **ELMOR WASHINGTON**

PARCEL ID: **29-1N-07-2475-000-000**

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: As per the attached Warranty Deed dated December 29, 1987 and recorded in OR Book 186, Page 445, Public Records of Madison County, Florida.

All of said property being in the County of Madison, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to the law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the west front door at the Madison County Courthouse on the **13th** day of **December 2012** at 11:00 a.m.

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CERTIFICATE NO: **10-269-TD**
YEAR OF ISSUANCE: **2010**
NAME IN, WHICH ASSESSED: **TY TRIEU LY & THUY LE THI VO**

PARCEL ID: **08-25-10-1430-002-004**

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: As described in attached Warranty Deed dated September 10, 2004 and recorded in OR Book 729, Page 13, Public Records of Madison County, Florida.

All of said property being in the County of Madison, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to the law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the west front door at the Madison County Courthouse on the **13th** day of **December 2012** at 11:00 a.m.

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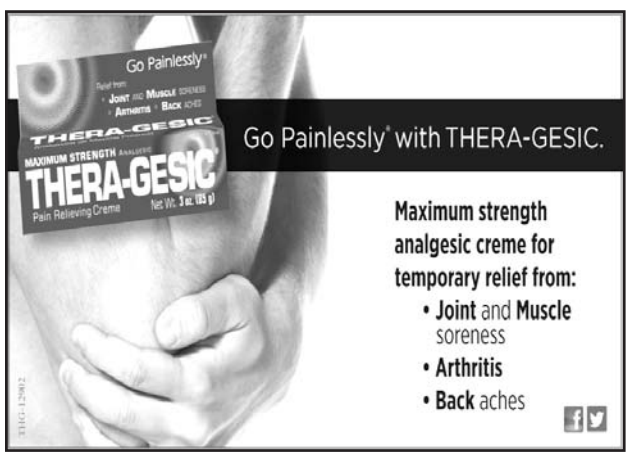

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CERTIFICATE NO: **10-242-TD**
YEAR OF ISSUANCE: **2010**
NAME IN, WHICH ASSESSED: **TY T LY & THUYLE T VO**

PARCEL ID: **02-2S-10-1401-003-002**

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Lot 1, POW WOW ACRES, an unrecorded subdivision, as more particularly described in the Warranty Deed attached hereto.

All of said property being in the County of Madison, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to the law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the west front door at the Madison County Courthouse on the **13th** day of **December 2012** at 11:00 a.m.

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CERTIFICATE NO: **10-1071-TD**
YEAR OF ISSUANCE: **2010**
NAME IN, WHICH ASSESSED: **RODERICK K THOMPSON**

PARCEL ID: **32-1N-09-5127-SSC-004**

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Lot 4, Block C, SUMMERSET SUBDIVISION, a recorded subdivision per Plat Book 2, Pages 4-5, Public Records of Madison County, Florida.

All of said property being in the County of Madison, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to the law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the west front door at the Madison County Courthouse on the **13th** day of **December 2012** at 11:00 a.m.

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CERTIFICATE NO: **10-1302-TD**
YEAR OF ISSUANCE: **2010**
NAME IN, WHICH ASSESSED: **JUAN GARCIA JR & GONZALEZ N GARCIA**

PARCEL ID: **07-1N-11-6180-00E-012**

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Lot 12, Block "E", BLUE RIDGE LANDING SUBDIVISION, a subdivision as per plat thereof filed at Plat Book 1, Page "B", of the Public Records of Madison County, Florida.

All of said property being in the County of Madison, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to the law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the west front door at the Madison County Courthouse on the **13th** day of **December 2012** at 11:00 a.m.

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CERTIFICATE NO: **10-1392-TD**
YEAR OF ISSUANCE: **2010**
NAME IN, WHICH ASSESSED: **GARVIN R & BEATRICE S MITCHELL**

PARCEL ID: **33-1N-11-6233-003-043**

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Lot 43, RIVER COUNTRY SUBDIVISION, as more particularly described in the Declaration of Restrictive and Protective Covenants as recorded in OR Book 136, Page 216, Public Records of Madison County, Florida.

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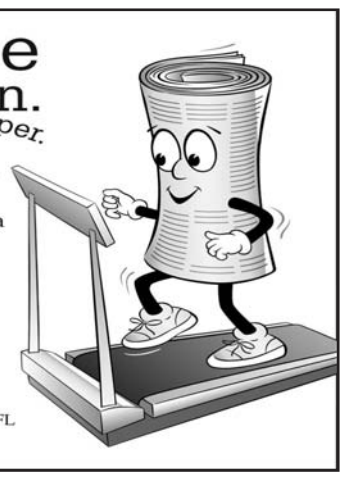

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CERTIFICATE NO: **10-260-TD**
YEAR OF ISSUANCE: **2010**
NAME IN, WHICH ASSESSED: **TY T LY & THUYLE T VO**

PARCEL ID: **05-2S-10-1417-00A-053**

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: As described in attached Warranty Deed dated January 13, 2004 and recorded in OR Book 698, Page 231, Public Records of Madison County, FL

All of said property being in the County of Madison, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to the law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the west front door at the Madison County Courthouse on the **13th** day of **December 2012** at 11:00 a.m.

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CERTIFICATE NO: **10-1390-TD**
YEAR OF ISSUANCE: **2010**
NAME IN, WHICH ASSESSED: **GARVIN R & BEATRICE S MITCHELL**

PARCEL ID: **33-1N-11-6233-003-037**

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Lot 37, RIVER COUNTRY SUBDIVISION, as more particularly described in the Declaration of Restrictive and Protective Covenants as recorded in OR Book 136, Page 216, Public Records of Madison County, Florida.

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

JUVENILE DIVISION
CASE NO.: 2011-08-DP

IN THE INTEREST OF:

T. D. M., III

MINOR CHILD
_____/

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: Troy Derek Mendheim, Jr.
LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: 512 N.E. Candlestick Trail, Lee, FL 32059/ or 11255 County Road 53 South, Lee, FL 32059

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a petition under oath has been filed in the above–styled cause for termination of parental rights and the permanent commitment of **T. D. M., III**, a male child born on September 22, 2009 in Orange County, Florida to the State of Florida, the placing agency, for subsequent adoption and you are hereby to be and appear in the above court at the Madison County Courthouse, Madison, Florida 32340 on **Thursday, November 29, 2012 at 9:00 A.M.,** for a Termination of Parental Rights Advisory Hearing and to show cause why said petition should not be granted. You must appear on the date and time specified.
FAILURE TO PERSONALLY APPEAR AT THE TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS ADVISORY HEARING CONSTITUTES CONSENT TO THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THIS CHILD. IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR ON THE DATE AND TIME SPECIFIED, YOU MAY LOSE ALL LEGAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD NAMED IN THE PETITION.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court on Oct. 31, 2012.

TIM SANDERS
Clerk of said Court
By: _____
As Deputy Clerk

11/2, 11/9, 11/16, 11/23

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETINGS OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MADISON COUNTY, FLORIDA

The School Board of Madison County, Florida announces that the School Board will hold its regular public meetings, to which all persons are invited to attend, as follows:

Dates:	Dec. 4, 2012	Dec. 18, 2012	Jan. 15, 2013
	Feb. 5, 2013	Feb. 19, 2013	Mar. 5, 2013
	Mar. 19, 2013	April 16, 2013	May 7, 2013
	May 21, 2013	June 4, 2013	June 8, 2013
	July 2, 2013	July 16, 2013	Aug. 6, 2013
	Aug. 20, 2013	Sept. 3, 2013	Sept. 17, 2013
	Oct. 1, 2013	Oct. 15, 2013	Nov. 5, 2013
	Nov. 19, 2013		

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Place: The School Board Meeting Room
210 North East Duval Avenue
Madison, Florida 32340

Purpose: To consider and act upon the business of the School Board.

A copy of each agenda may be obtained no earlier than 7 days prior to each meeting by writing to the School Board at 210 North East Duval Avenue, Madison, Florida 32340 or by calling Ms. Jane Dickey at (850) 973-5022.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in any of the above meetings is asked to advise the School Board at least 48 hours before the meeting by contacting Ms. Jane Dickey at (850) 973-5022. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the School Board by calling 711.

If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the School Board with respect to any matter considered at such meetings he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

School Board of Madison County, Florida

By: /s/ Doug Brown
Doug Brown
Superintendent of Schools

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