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**City Commission Addresses Code Enforcement For Madison Residents**

By Rose Klein  
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City Manager, Tim Bennett, gave a code enforcement update, at Tuesday nights City Commission Meeting; on four unattended properties he has been investigating in order to locate the property owners. Bennett has had little success in finding all the owners, but moved forward during his update, discussing options for cleaning up the areas of concern.  
Bennett proposed the city could clear the properties of brush, tall grass, and on at  
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**Supervisor Of Elections Office Receives ISO Certification**



Tommy Hardee  
By Jessie R. Box  
Greene Publishing, Inc.  
Madison County Supervisor of Elections, Tommy Hardee and office staff received the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) 9001:2008 certification on January 22. Hardee is only the second Supervisor of Elections office in the nation to receive this certification.  
ISO is an independent, non-governmental organization made up of members from the national standards bodies of 161 countries.  
The Honorable Mark Anderson, Supervisor of Elections of Bay County was the first to receive the certification in 2008. Hardee continues to strive for transparency and efficiency in the day-to-day operations of the office and this certification attests to his desire for  
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**Family Addresses School Board Over Wrong Bus Stop**



Ivan Johnson, Director of Transportation for the Madison County School District, addresses the school board about the district's current bus policy.

By Lynette Norris  
Greene Publishing, Inc.  
On a Monday afternoon, March 3, shortly after 4 p.m., five-year-old preschooler, Andy Brown, was dropped off on the Valdosta Highway two and half miles from his regular stop, with no adults present to meet him.

Meanwhile, his mother, Kasey, who was waiting for him as usual at the end of her driveway, began wondering why the bus hadn't arrived yet with her child.  
In the ensuing two hours, Andy wandered to a house and knocked on a door to ask for help. The lady who answered his knock came to his aid and called the police. Andy's mother also called the police to report him missing. By the time everything was sorted out and Andy was re-

turned home, it was after 6 p.m.  
"Andy is fine," said Tori Willoughby, the boy's aunt, in addressing the school board. "But our main concern is awareness."  
There were concerns about how this had happened in the first place. There were concerns about the family not being able to reach anyone at Pinetta Elementary, when someone should have been there at least until 5 p.m., with the af-

ter-school clubs; why weren't the phone calls at least forwarded to an occupied office? There were concerns that this was not the first time that the school had lost track of a child, as Willoughby had learned from other parents. There were questions as to whether or not it was even an official stop on the route, or was it just "made-up."  
And, there were a lot of scary "what-ifs."  
"Andy could have  
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**Whitney Stevens Earns Scholarship To Eastern Florida State College**



ACA Senior Whitney Stevens signs her letter of intent with Eastern Florida State College head coach Ed Yanes, her parents Johnny and Tammy Stevens of Madison, and ACA coaches Becky and Jarrod Lauth.

By Lisa Flournoy  
Acucilla Christian Academy  
With four no-hitters and one perfect game under her belt for the Lady Warriors' softball team, it's no surprise Whitney Stevens, a senior at Aucilla Christian Academy, was given a full scholarship to the college of her choice: Eastern Florida State College, formerly known as Brevard Community College.  
"I felt this was where the Lord wanted me to go," said Stevens, who verbally committed to EFSC on October 13, 2013, and signed her letter of intent at ACA on March 11, 2014.  
While three other colleges in Florida, Georgia and Tennessee pursued her, they just couldn't compete with

what Stevens was looking for: dedicated coaches, a strong academic program in healthcare and a perfect location, not too far from home, close to her cousins and the beach.  
Stevens, daughter of Johnny and Tammy Stevens of Madison, began playing softball at age 10. In 2009, she became a serious travel ball player and traveled as far west as Las Vegas and Utah and as far north as Virginia to play in tournaments with her parents by her side.  
"My biggest influences in my life have been my daddy and mama," said Stevens. "Because without them, I would have never had the chance to be noticed by the college coaches." So, last August, when the EFSC

head coach requested she make an official visit after viewing her video and receiving an excellent recommendation from one of her former summer camp college coaches, her parents loaded up the car for one more trip to watch their daughter play for the EFSC coaching staff. Before returning home, Stevens was offered a full scholarship.  
"We are very proud of Whitney in all that she has accomplished in the classroom and on the field," said her mother. "Whitney gives 100 percent effort in anything she sets her mind to do. She is very spiritual, loves the Lord, and has always been obedient and respectful to us. We just couldn't ask for a better kid! As we prepare for

the big move down south, we are very excited and happy for Whitney, but wish she was 10 years old again walking onto the softball field for the first time."  
Stevens said she is very excited and feels very fortunate and blessed that her dream to play college softball is now a reality.  
"EFSC head coach Ed Yanes told me he really needed another outfielder to complete his 2014 roster and that he planned on me pitching as well," said Stevens whose teammates will include girls she's played against and with on her travel ball team.  
Stevens transferred to ACA her junior year, the same year she was  
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**Congressional Happenings In Washington D.C.**

So you can remain informed on Washington happenings that may impact at the local level, following are the latest Congressional activities, as reported by the NWYC Congressional Review & Preview Report.

**Sexual Assault in the Military:** Notwithstanding impassioned debate, the Senate agreed to leave the authority to prosecute rapes with military commanders, as opposed to giving the decision to seasoned military trial lawyers, as a bill proposed. Female senators argue that the military's mostly male leadership does not understand the differences between relatively minor sexual offenses and serious crimes that deserve swift and decisive justice.

**Recidivism Measure Approved by Senate Panel:** A bipartisan deal to let prisoners earn reduced jail time advanced through the Senate Judiciary Committee. Under the measure, eligible inmates could engage in a range of activities designed to reduce their risk of returning to criminal behavior, such as vocational training, prison employment, educational programming and substance abuse recovery programs.

**RAPID Act:** The House passed a measure designed to streamline and increase the efficiency of environmental regulatory review and the permitting process.

**The Electricity Security Act:** The House passed a measure that would prohibit the EPA from issuing any rule under the Clean Air Act that establishes a performance standard for greenhouse gas emissions from any new source that is a fossil fuel-fired electric utility generating unit.

**Delaying the Health Care Mandate:** The House passed  
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**James Madison Preparatory High School**  
*Empowering Students Toward a Brighter Future*

JMPHS is accepting applications for the 2014-15 school year until April 18th for 13 seats for 9th grade and 6 seats for 10th grade. If more applications are received than seats available, a random drawing will be held to determine enrollment. Applications are available at www.jmphs.org and at the JMPHS Office at 176 NW Crane Ave. Please visit our website or contact us at (850)253-2173 for more information.

*James Madison Preparatory High School is a tuition-free public charter school and does not discriminate illegally on the basis of sex, race, religion, national origin, disability, or age as to employment or educational programs and activities.*

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**Local Weather**

<b>Fri 3/21</b> 74/45 Mostly sunny skies. High 74F. Winds NNW at 5 to 10 mph.	<b>Sat 3/22</b> 75/53 A few clouds. Highs in the mid 70s and lows in the low 50s.	<b>Sun 3/23</b> 75/54 Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 70s and lows in the mid 50s.	<b>Mon 3/24</b> 77/52 Occasional showers possible. Highs in the upper 70s and lows in the low 50s.
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## Madison County Extension Service



Diann Douglas  
Guest Columnist

**R**aising Kids, Eating Right, Spending Smart, Living Well -- that's the theme of National Living Well Month. Officially passed in 2005 by the U.S. Senate, Living Well is sponsored by the National Extension Association of Family and Consumer Sciences. The purpose of the week is to help people become aware of the educational programs and resources that are available through the Extension office to improve the quality of life.

Whether you are looking for the latest information in nutrition, food safety, money management, consumer rights or helping children learn, the local Extension office has the answer. The University Extension System has

## CELEBRATE NATIONAL LIVING WELL MONTH

long provided researched-based information through classes, fact sheets, websites and mass media.

Extension home economics education began in the early 1900's along with agriculture as a community outreach of the land grant university system. In the early years, home demonstration agents provided training in canning, sewing, meal planning and home management to adults in clubs organized throughout the county. Youth learned these life skills through 4-H clubs. The goal was to teach people to maximize their resources to improve the quality of life for their families.

Today, we continue to teach and help resolve consumer issues. Each county program varies according to the needs identified by local advisory boards. Educational efforts in family and consumer science programs certify safe food handlers and child care providers; as well

as teach classes and workshops in home buying, nutrition, diabetes, money management, pre-marriage education and parenting. Programs for youth teach healthy living, money management and consumer skills.

Madison County Extension is part of the University of Florida/IFAS Extension Service, we are educating individuals and families to build a lifestyle that is healthful, nurturing and economically stable. For more information on Living Well, contact the Madison County Extension Service.

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## Something To Think About By Harvey Greene



Harvey Greene  
Guest Columnist

**E**aster will soon be here, and now is the time of Lent.

Most Protestants do not really understand Lent. They think it's just a Catholic thing and do not really pay it much mind. So what is it really, and why is it such a big deal?

Easter represents the resurrection of Christ. We all know that. This is why we celebrate it on Sunday. Christ was crucified on a Friday; we now call that Good Friday. He was taken down and hurriedly buried the same day because the next day was the Sabbath and no work could be done. (John 19:31). He rose on the third day, and so we celebrate Easter on Sunday. (Remember that the Sabbath was Saturday until a few hundred years after Christ).

We pick Easter by a "simple" little formula: Easter is the first Sunday after the first full moon after the Spring Equinox. Simple right? Like Christmas, when the early church were declaring the dates for

## TO LENT OR NOT TO LENT

Christian holidays, they merged several of the traditions of the pagan and indigenous religions into one big Christian festival.

So now that we've got Easter down pat...

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday which is forty-six days before Easter, and was originally considered a 40-day fasting period (fasting is not allowed on Sundays) to represent the 40-day fast of Jesus in the desert. The day before Ash Wednesday is known as Fat Tuesday. Yes, good readers, it is true. What we now know of as Mardi Gras came to be because of people eating and drinking and partying it up prior to having to fast for Lent.

As I said above, Lent was designed as a fasting period where all Christians ate very little for the 46-days (minus Sundays) to represent Christ's fasting in the desert. At some point in time the fasting became simply not eating meat (beef, pork, poultry). Then from there it went into not eating meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

Fasting has somewhat fallen out of favor among Christians in modern society. I really feel this is because fast-

ing was too hard and not worth many people's time - sadly, a lot like prayer and meditation has also become today.

More traditionally in today's time, during Lent, Catholics and many Protestants pick one thing that means something to them, or that they enjoy, and they do without it for the period of Lent. Common things are chocolate, or sodas, or fishing, or some other item. Again, this is to represent the trials that Christ went through in the desert prior to the crucifixion.

Everyone says that we should put the meaning back into the season. Well, that is what Lent is. If you don't want to pull the full 40-day fast, at least find something else to do without. But it has to be something you enjoy. How about trying to do without television or movies? Perhaps doing without gossip (sorry, current events)? Or better yet, how about giving up Facebook for 40 days? Instead of spending time posting "If you love Jesus, you'll repost this!" How about acknowledging His trials and tribulations by spending your posting time in prayer or helping others? It's just a thought.

Think about it.



## NEWS RELEASE

**T**he fiscal condition of Florida's state government is in good shape as evidenced by a new study that ranks the state sixth overall in the nation, though there are some limitations with the report's findings, according to Florida TaxWatch.

"Florida continues to manage its finances very responsibly," said Dominic M. Calabro, president and CEO of Florida TaxWatch, the independent, nonparti-

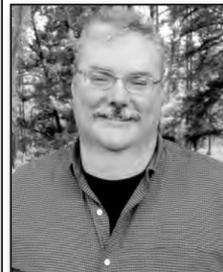
san, nonprofit taxpayer research institute and government watchdog organization. "This report is further evidence that Florida's fiscal house is in order."

Florida's top ranking from the study is consistent with the state's excellent bond ratings, such as a "AAA" rating from Standard and Poor's, the highest rating available. A good indication of financial health, the state has received the top rating since 2005.

While the analysis of

the report by Florida TaxWatch yielded a similar conclusion, it also raised some questions. Florida's high ranking in cash and budget solvency is not surprising, due to state's significant cash reserves, the balanced budget requirement in the Florida constitution, and the way the legislature dealt with the revenue shortfalls during the recession.

However, Florida's low long-run solvency ranking is surprising, as Florida has the fifth-low-



Jacob Bemby  
Columnist

**S**itting here in my room, chilling out. As I sit silently, I can hear the TV in the living room. My brother, Danny, is watching a rerun of "Here's Lucy" on Hulu Plus. I just turned off Spotify a few minutes ago and the songs "Hang On, Sloopy" by the McCoys and "If I Can't Have You" by Yvonne Elliman combine together to make a strange mix tape in my head. Add in "The Sound of Philadelphia" by M.F.S.B. and the Three Degrees and it gets stranger still.

Read Jacob's blog at [www.jacobbemby.com](http://www.jacobbemby.com). His book, *Higher Call*, is available in Kindle format at [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com) or in paperback at [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com), [www.bn.com](http://www.bn.com) and [www.booksamillion.com](http://www.booksamillion.com) or by sending \$10 plus \$3.99 shipping and handling to Jacob Bemby, P.O. Box 9334, Lee, FL 32059. Contact him at [jacobbemby@hotmail.com](mailto:jacobbemby@hotmail.com).

## Jacob's Ladder

### What Does Grace Sound Like?

The sound of the fan whirring is also heard in the background in my bedroom.

Earlier Monday morning, in the still hours before dawn, I heard the sound of rain, as it seemed that God has opened up the skies and emptied the clouds on top of the earth. The storm may have lasted thirty minutes...It may have lasted an hour...I really don't know. I was too busy listening to other sounds.

I sit here now, wondering what certain things sound like. If I could, I would sit and listen to the world revolve.

I wonder what Heaven sounds like. I know there's rejoicing there but I wonder if everyone shouts out their joy or if they are stunned into silence by the awesomeness of God and

his majestic Kingdom and the majestic mansions Jesus Christ has prepared for those who believe in Him.

I wonder what the Love of God sounds like. I know that the sweetest words He ever spoke were, "I forgive" but how I long to hear Him say, "*Well done, thy good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of the Lord.*" (Matthew 25:21)

I wonder what the Grace of God sounds like. Would I have to hear the nails being driven into His hands and feet? Would I have to hear the screams of people whose sins were revealed to them? Or would I just feel His embrace around me as He welcomed me into His Heavenly Home?

## Conservative Corner

By Neil Rice, and the AgEnders

## New Frontier of Evil

"Life without knowledge is death in disguise."

**N**ow we are set up for "Regionalism." In Florida there are nine different areas of regionalism sections with their own names. (Our region of ten counties includes Taylor, Madison and two counties in Georgia).

Out of Florida's 67 counties, 32 have a population of less than 75,000. The counties also make up Florida's Rural Area of Critical Economic Concern. These counties are ripe for a Fed takeover due to President Obama's Executive Order 13575 which re-engineers rural counties demanding section 8 (government subsidized) housing be included in the plans. Currently Boca, Delray and Wellington have to include section 8 housing in their plans.

Regionalism comes from the communist Soviet Union also called the Union of Soviet Socialist Republic (USSR). Those of us that have read true history know that the USSR ended in the starvation and death of millions and dissolution of the USSR. Regionalism eliminates borders so the individual will not have allegiance to their home town, community, state or county.

Humans will live in a region controlled by unelected people. Regionalism denies the right of representative government by denying the vote of the people giving the power to make rules and regulations to unelected bureaucrats also called administrators. Regionalism can be traced to 1945 and the United Nations, which was founded by communists with money from the Rockefeller Foundation. Regionalism eliminates borders and (creates) countries like the European Union, a failing program. Currently the US pays 22 percent plus of the UN budget to a group of people trying to eliminate America. (How much money has the US given to the UN since its inception? Trillions. Why do we still have poverty, hunger and disease?)

The US Constitution is ignored. Article IV Section 4 of the United States Constitution:

The United States shall guarantee to every State in the Union a republican form of Government; meaning States and the people have a vote in choosing representatives to carry their policies to the Federal government. Regionalism eliminates

that choice. In 1965, the National League of Cities (NLC) and the National Association of Counties (NACo) created the National Association of Regional Council (NARC) which proclaims in their documents to be the Voice of Regionalism. J. Walter Tejada is the ... direct(or) of the NARC. Following the directives of the UN, his job is to bring regionalism to the United States. All nine regional councils in Florida belong to this organization. It's Communism! Giving no voice to the people!

The Johannesburg Implementation Plan lays out the orders explaining how to use NGO's (Non-governmental organizations), regional councils and unelected bureaucrats to promote their sustainability plans by training local officials.

As one planner, Andrea Duany, states: "stop all these community meetings and put the plan in place, because FASCISM works." Duany's statement enforces the fact that these plans are fascism. Fascism means that the government tells the people and all industry what to do, what to produce and what to charge, eliminating free choice.

THE MADISON COUNTY REPUBLICAN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE will meet at 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, Mar. 25, at the Madison Library ALL Republicans welcome.  
[MadisonRepublican@embarqmail.com](mailto:MadisonRepublican@embarqmail.com)  
TOMMY HARDEE, SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS SPEAKS TO THE REPUBLICAN CLUB ON APRIL 14.

## FLORIDA'S FINANCES STRONG, SAYS NEW REPORT

est combined tax supported debt and unfunded pension liabilities in the nation. Florida's number two ranking in service-level solvency is likely over-estimated by the report, and TaxWatch questions if that index is meaningful. The study assumes that Florida's low state-level tax burden is evidence that costs are low and that the state has the ability to raise revenues to meet higher costs. The index does not account for service demands, the

political environment concerning taxes, tax bases and tax capacity and the effect of the economy on revenues. TaxWatch also points out that it is very difficult to adequately compare state governments without considering the role local governments have in providing public services. Florida has the second largest reliance on local governments in the nation, measured by local government's share of total state and local revenue (55.6 percent). If

local governments were included, their higher tax burden, pension problems and higher level of debt would also likely lower Florida's scores.

"The measurement of state fiscal conditions is indeed a difficult task," said Kurt Wenner, Vice President for Tax Research at Florida TaxWatch. "While the report has its limitations, it is another useful tool for comparing Florida to other states."

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## Sheriff's Office Offering Free Women's Self Defense Class

The Madison County Sheriff's Office will be hosting a free women's personal defense class on Friday, March 28, and Saturday, March 29. This class will start with a session from 6-8 p.m. on Friday evening and will conclude after a 9 a.m.-noon session on Saturday.

The topics will in-

clude health and fitness, legal aspects pertaining to self-defense and the potential use of force, the Florida "Castle Doctrine"/"Stand Your Ground" law, proximity awareness and avoiding violent conflict, defending against armed and unarmed attacks and disengaging from an attack.

The class size will

be limited to 14 individuals. Sixteen-year-olds and above are welcome to register and attend. Persons with disabilities and handicaps are especially encouraged to attend.

Anyone interested can reserve a slot or obtain additional information by contacting Captain Mark W. Joost at (850) 519-0947.

## Wrong Bus

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been killed or kidnapped," said Willoughby. "I'm not being dramatic."

The lady whose house Andy eventually went to for help had a "Bad Dog" sign out front, Willoughby added. It just happened that the dog was penned up when the child appeared on the doorstep.

With all that, the family decided to contact WCTV News and make sure the situation got the attention it needed, so that this would not happen again to another child.

"The essence of what she said is true," said Superintendent Doug Brown, who stated further that he was not told of the incident until two days later, which he called "unacceptable." He expressed apologies over what had happened and gratitude that the child was safe. The two drivers, one a trainee who had never driven the route before and aide who had, were suspended with pay pending the outcome of the investigation. The policy in effect was that no child under a certain age was to be let out at a bus stop with approved adults there to meet them, but the age was not specified. If there was any doubt, the child should be brought back to the bus barn and the parents contacted.

Ivan Johnson, Director of Transportation for the school district, agreed that the age limit needed to

be spelled out, but even without one, the majority of his drivers would bring even 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders back to the bus barn if there was any doubt. Furthermore, the driver that day wasn't really certified to drive an 84 passenger bus, but there had been a shortage of buses that day.

Willoughby asked why the bus driver had done what she did, saying that the family was curious and wanted to know - why? Letting a five-year-old off by himself beside a highway, even telling him to get off when he knew it wasn't his stop, was scenario that seemed to defy common sense. However, with the investigation still incomplete and no statement yet from the driver, a definite answer was not immediately available.

Brown recommended a thorough review of the bus policy by all involved personnel, and alluded to safety technology the school might consider in the future, something like Sun-Pass badges on the children's backpacks that could be scanned. As for the phone policy, there should be someone at a phone taking calls as long as the building was occupied instead of having incoming calls directed to a voicemail message center.

However, when he said that the two drivers in question should be terminated immediately, school

board member VeEtta Hagan took issue with that.

"What about the trainee following orders? We do not have her statement yet," she said. Furthermore, she added, the drivers could not be terminated until the investigation was complete and the board members had voted on the matter.

Still, she did agree that the bus policy should be reviewed thoroughly, adding that notebooks with route maps should be given to all drivers, who would have to sign statements upon receiving them.

She then asked Willoughby how the district could restore the family's faith in the bus system, and offered the services of a lady who drove several children in a station wagon to and from Pinetta Elementary, asking if it would help. The family has not allowed the child back on the school bus since that Monday, assuming the burden of transportation themselves.

Willoughby said that she couldn't speak for her sister, who was at home sick, but they would talk about it and see.

The questions that didn't have answers yet would have to wait, but the board agreed to proceed with immediate review of its bus policies and await the outcome of the investigation.

## Enforcement

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least one property, two out buildings in disrepair. To cover the city's cost, a lien would then have to be put on the properties to assist the city in collecting from the owners, in case they stepped forward or were discovered. City Attorney, Clay Schnitker, responded to Bennett's proposal with some concern on demolishing the buildings, with the concern being, if the owners surfaced and was unhappy with the structures removed, the city could then be liable.

City Ordinance Codes for residents of Madison include that all lawns, unless approved otherwise, should be maintained to a height not to exceed eight inches in length. Structure codes for buildings address common issues such as peeling paint, broken windows, damaged doors and deteriorated porches, siding, chimneys and roofs. The residences in question have some or all of these issues.

The unkempt properties that could be charged

with a lien, should the city be forced to care for them, are:

- 459 SW Parramore
- 288 SW Jeanette Circle
- 305 SW Martin Luther King Drive
- 406 SW Jeanette Circle

Bennett advised the Commissioners he would continue researching in an attempt to locate the property owners and would calculate the clean-up cost on the four properties by their next meeting.

## Happenings

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a measure that would delay until 2015 the requirement in the Affordable Care Act that individuals buy health insurance, changing the penalty for failing to do so from \$95 or 1 percent of income to \$0. Democrats charge it is yet another attempt by the GOP to dismantle the healthcare law and the White House threatened a veto of the measure. Republicans say the measure is a means of passing a "Doc Fix" for paying Medicare physicians.

**Unemployment Benefits:** A group of Republicans introduced legislation that would extend

expired unemployment benefits for five months. The bill serves as a counteroffer to a Democratic bill that revives long-term jobless aid for six months. Both bills would extend benefits retroactively to Dec. 28, when long-term unemployment insurance expired.

Democrats want to use a large portion of the new farm law's savings to pay for the approximate \$12 billion price tag on the unemployment benefit six-month extension. Republicans scoff at this idea and want to use a combination of offsets and revenue generators to

pay for their five-month bill's \$10 billion cost and make core reforms to unemployment benefits.

**12 Appropriation Bills on the Schedule:** Top congressional appropriators set an aggressive timetable for fiscal 2015 spending bills pointing toward markups in May and floor action over the summer. The timing of the Defense bill is uncertain because of questions around military operations in Afghanistan. The budget deal already set separate caps for defense and domestic spending, at \$521.4 billion and \$492.5 billion, respectively.

## Certification

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such.

This certification specifies requirements for a quality management system where an organization demonstrates its ability to consistently provide a product that meets voters and applicable statutory and regulatory requirements while also aiming to enhance customer satisfaction through the effective application of the system.

According to Hardee, having the ISO 9001:2008 helps ensure that customers get consistent, good quality service.

According to Hardee, this was a three-step process where auditors evaluated the office three different times. The first time the auditors came for four hours, the second

time they came for eight hours and on the last audit they sat down and talked with the employees.

According to Hardee, the auditor will tell them if they have any corrective actions but the Madison County Supervisor of Elections office had no corrective action.

"This is no small task," said Anderson when asked about the successful completion of the process. "Congratulations to Tommy Hardee and staff on the quest for excellence, organized office operation and overall quality management."

Hardee was quick to not take all of the credit.

"The goal and expectations were established, and everyone worked

hard to get there," said Hardee.

Hardee also wanted to acknowledge that his wife and family have been supportive of the long hours required to reach this goal.

"What this means to Madison County is that a third party came in and we have a quality control management system in place," said Hardee.

Alfreda Fiffia, Chief Election Deputy at the Madison County Supervisor of Elections office is excited about earning this certification but made sure to emphasize that it was a team effort.

"The Madison County Supervisor of Election office has always strived for accuracy and voter service," said Fiffia.

## Scholarship

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presented ACA's Pitcher of the Year Award.

"Whitney is a great utility player, but this season she has primarily pitched for us and played outfield," said ACA head coach Becky Lauth. "As a pitcher, she is 5-0 on the season and pitched a perfect game against a district opponent. She has a 0.00 ERA with 33 strikeouts and has only walked three batters. Currently, her batting average is .296 with three doubles and four RBIs. Whitney has had a very successful career at ACA playing numerous positions for the past two years. Adding her to the roster and on the mound last year helped our team tremendously. She has contributed greatly to our successes as a team and will do well at EFSC."

Lauth said Yanes is looking forward to gaining Whitney on his team and is positive she will do big things both in the classroom and on the field for their program.

Nominated last month for Florida High School Athletic Association Academic All-State and this month for Team All-Star, she was also voted team captain for the 2014 softball season at ACA. In addition to softball, Stevens has varsity

letters in cross country, basketball, volleyball, and cheerleading and will be graduating with honors from ACA this May where she served as Beta Club treasurer, on the Fellowship of Christian Athletes' leadership team, and as ACA's homecoming queen. She is also a junior volunteer at Madison County Memorial Hospital.

"In the short time she has been here, she has made quite an impact on our campus," said ACA's Fellowship of Christian Athletes sponsor Tonya Roberts. "Whitney is a hard worker and a gifted leader, qualities that helped her to be such an asset to our FCA leadership team. She is committed to using the gifts given to her by

God for His glory. Eastern Florida State College is fortunate to be getting not only a great softball player, but a great person as well!"

Philippians 4:13 is Stevens' favorite Bible verse: "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."

"I just want to play the game and am hoping to have the opportunity to play in any position on the field," said Stevens. "I look forward to making new friends, making new memories, and learning more about how to become the best softball player so I can continue playing after my two years at EFSC."

Stay tuned over the next two years to see where the Lord will lead this Lady Warrior next.

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## Letter To The Editor

### Hospital Should Support Local Work Force

As I was posting payments for my bills this morning I was please to notice that Tri County Electric no longer used a company in Atlanta to process their bills. The work is now done here at home, giving just a little boost to the local economy. Good for them! Now if Madison Memorial Hospital would do the same. Come on folks. We supported a new building. Please support our local work force.

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## Obituary

### Mark Elliott Timmons Sr.

Mark Elliott Timmons Sr., 55, died Sunday, March 9 at his home in Lee.

Funeral service will be Friday, March 21 at 1 p.m. at Midway Baptist Church with burial at Midway Cemetery. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service from 12 p.m. - 1 p.m. at the Midway Baptist Church.

He was born in West Palm Beach and

was a member of Local Union 630 Plumbers and Pipe Fitters Union. He was a Project Superintendent Manager and loved to work in Puerto Rico where his heart was.

He is survived by his parents: John and Shirley Timmons of Lee; one son Mark Timmons Jr. of Groton, Conn.; one daughter: Lauren Ann Timmons of Minneapolis, Minn.; two

brothers: John Timmons (Barbara) and Edward Timmons; two sisters: Nancy Rygwalski (David) and Cindy Tschudi and numerous nieces and nephews.

Beggs Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements (850) 973-2258.

You may send your condolences to the family by visiting our website [www.beggsfuneral.com](http://www.beggsfuneral.com).

## Pet Of The Week



Meet Autumn and Spring! These two sisters are approximately 11 weeks old, have been spayed and are current on boosters and Bordetella. They are the perfect age to start off in a family or ready for an individual to adopt and create a family. Autumn and Spring are mixed-breed pups ready for love and a forever home. If you think you could give one or both of these girls a home to grow in, visit the Suwannee Valley Humane Society at 1156 SE Bisbee Loop, Madison or call locally at (850) 971-9904. You can also call toll free at (866) 236-7812 or visit their website at [suwanneevalleyhumane.org](http://suwanneevalleyhumane.org).



## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- March 22** LifeSong will host a listening party for their new album, *Yesterday and Today*, on Saturday, March 22, at 7 p.m. at Shelby's Restaurant in Madison. Cost of the meal is \$10 for adults, \$5.99 for ages 6-10 and \$3.99 for ages 0-5.
- March 23-28** Bishop Mike Carson, pastor of Drowning Park Church of God, will conduct revival services beginning Sunday evening, March 23, at 6 p.m. at Midway Church of God, located at 2485 SE Midway Church Road in Lee. Services, Monday through Friday evenings, will begin at 7 p.m. Everyone is cordially invited.
- March 30** Pastor Jimmy Fletcher invites everyone to attend the Sirmans Baptist Church Homecoming on Sunday, March 30, at the church, located at 168 SW Sirmans Church Way (just off Highway 221, south of the Greenville exit on Interstate 10). The Lighthouse Children's Choir will be performing and Rev. Joshua Wynn, pastor of Philadelphia Baptist Church in Suwannee County, will be the guest speaker. Dinner on the church grounds will follow the morning worship service.
- April 4** The Greenville Library will be hosting a book signing, Friday, April 4, from 5-7 p.m. Local author, Marvin "Merv" Mat-tair, will be autographing copies of his book, *My Royal Swag: Viewing Life in HD*, and can be purchased for \$13. A "Royal Social" complete with music and finger foods will accompany the signing. For more information, contact Library Manager, Kenya Dennis at (850) 948-2529.



## NFCC's New Bridge Program Offers Accelerated Track For LPNs To Complete Associate Degree In Nursing

Summer Term 2014: Deadline To Apply Is April 1, Classes Begin May 12

North Florida Community College's Allied Health Department is accepting student applications for its new LPN to RN Bridge program. The program is a one-year/three-term accelerated bridge program leading to an Associate Degree in Nursing (A.D.N.) for individuals holding a current certificate and licensure as a Licensed Practical Nurse.

"We are very excited to offer area LPNs a new avenue for career advancement," said Julie Townsend, Director of Allied Health Programs at NFCC.

Classes are set to begin May 12 (Summer Term 2014); deadline to apply is Tuesday, April 1. According to NFCC Allied Health Advisor Debbie Bass, potential students should con-

tact NFCC now to begin the application process for summer classes or to prepare to enter the program at a later date. Those interested in applying or seeking more information should contact Debbie Bass in the NFCC Career and Technical Education Center (Bldg. 13) at (850) 973-1662 or [bassd@nfcc.edu](mailto:bassd@nfcc.edu).

Potential students looking to begin Summer 2014 must already hold a current degree and licensure as an LPN and have completed prerequisite coursework by the end of NFCC's Spring Term 2014. Prerequisites courses include Freshman English I, Anatomy and Physiology I, Anatomy and Physiology II, Statistics, Microbiology, General Psychology, a Humanities Philosophy or Religion course and

approved IV Therapy Course; a total of 24 credit hours.

Successful completion of the LPN to RN Bridge program prepares graduates to take the National Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN). Achievement of a passing score on this exam and licensure by the Florida State Board of Nursing enables the graduate to seek employment as a Registered Nurse in the state of Florida.

Student applications will be accepted through Tuesday, April 1 for classes beginning May 12 (Summer Term 2014). For more information, contact NFCC Allied Health Advisor Debbie Bass in the NFCC Career and Technical Education Center (Bldg. 13) at (850) 973-1662 or [bassd@nfcc.edu](mailto:bassd@nfcc.edu).

## Jail Report

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- March 12** Jimmy Lee Bryant - Unarmed, Grand Theft of Property valued at 300-500 and Controlled Substance - Possess/Sell/Manufacture. Alan Jaye Arakaki - Violation of Parole (county).
- March 13** Michael Deangelo Fiffia - Violation of Parole (county). Ira Lee Denson Jr. - Out of County Warrant (Leon County).
- Bo Chen - Violation of Parole (county). Jabari Rayshaun Arnold - Trespass After Warning. Sharaine Denise Burt - Out of County.
- March 15** Jose Jeovani Mejicano - No Valid Driver's License. Stacey Donnell Williams - Possess 20 Grams Cannabis without valid RX, Driving under Influence of Alcohol or Drugs and Operate Motor Vehicle with Cancelled/Suspended Driver's License. Antonio Deonte Choice - Violation of Parole.
- March 18** Aaron J. Poole - Controlled Substance-Possess/Sell/Manufacture. Najee Jamal Sapp - Out of County Warrant (Broward County). Kendrick Bernard Brown - Violation of Parole (county) and Concealed Weapon.
- March 14** Brice Xeryus Hamilton - Burglary to Structure/Conveyance-Unarmed and Grand Theft of Property valued at 300-500. Marshall Windell Straws - Trespass After Warning. Isaac Charles Cooper - Violation of Parole (circuit).
- Cedrick Terrell Brown - Burglary to Structure/Conveyance-Unarmed and Grand Theft of Property valued at 300-500. Mandy Marlene Whitaker - Unlawful Compensation. Thomas Flurel Matheny Jr. - Violation of Conditional Release.
- March 17** Brian Wayne Brown - Violation of Parole (county). Timothy Howard Buchanan - Violation of Parole (circuit).
- March 19** Laterrius Shavonle Davis - Burglary to Structure/Conveyance.



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## National Speaker And Noted Author Speaks On Sexual Assault



Greene Publishing, Inc. Photo by Rose Klein, February 28, 2014

**Olga Trujillo shares her experiences as a victim and as a legal advocate for victims of sexual assault while visiting Madison.**

By Rose Klein  
Greene Publishing, Inc.

Sexual assault is a serious problem faced by every community in our country. In an effort to bring awareness of this problem to Madison County, Cherie Rowell, the Madison County Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) Coordinator, hosted a special training and networking event last month for agency representatives in the county.

Olga Trujillo was the speaker for the training and began by describing herself as a consultant, attorney

and survivor. A victim of sexual abuse, she relayed her horrific story of abuse that lasted throughout her childhood and how it carried forward and affected her even into adulthood.

When speaking of her dark past, she also spoke of bright moments when caring people were able to step in and make a difference in her life, even while the abuse was going on. These people, an elderly neighbor, a policeman and a second grade teacher, and how they related to Trujillo, were not only important in her life but in the way she viewed her situation. The communication and personal exchanges she had with these people was key in helping Trujillo become an advocate, helping others who have been or who are currently, victims of sexual abuse.

In working through her childhood experiences and examining her desire to help others, Trujillo became an attorney, authored a book, *The Sum of My Parts* and worked with other attorneys to create a handbook, *The Impact of Physical and*



Greene Publishing, Inc. Photo by Rose Klein, February 28, 2014

In order to bring sexual assault awareness to Madison County, SART hosted a training and networking event last month. Agency representatives, from left to right, who attended the event: Debra McGrew, Region Three Program Director; Cherie Rowell, Madison County SART Coordinator; Emily Mitchem, Assistant Director of the Refuge House and national speaker, Olga Trujillo.

Sexual Violence. She is also a national trainer and speaker and travels where needed, speaking to organizations on sexual assault, child abuse and domestic violence, in an effort to help communities improve their response to survivors.

At the end of the presentation, Trujillo eased the audience, and brought back smiles, by showing a pictorial presentation of her adult life, depicting a happy, productive, suc-

cessful Olga Trujillo, well-adjusted after her own training and working to help others achieve the same.

For those needing assistance in Madison County, help is available through SART and the Refuge House. Some of the services

available include emergency shelter, rape crisis services, counseling and therapy, transitional housing and legal assistance.

SART Coordinator, Cherie Rowell, said assault victims typically worry about reporting, but wants to stress that vic-

tims are not required to report to receive services. For help or information on services, you can call Cherie Rowell at (850) 973-4144. The Refuge House also has a 24-hour Hotline: Toll Free (800) 500-1119, Madison (850) 584-8808, TDD (800) 621-4202.

## Mary Ellen Greene Has The Luck Of The Irish



Greene Publishing, Inc. Photo by Lynette Norris, March 13, 2014.

Mary Ellen Greene claims one of the St. Patrick's door prizes at the March 13 meeting of the Woman's Club. Perhaps the 13<sup>th</sup> is lucky when it falls on a Thursday, instead of a Friday.

By Lynette Norris  
Greene Publishing, Inc.

With the Woman's Club all decked out with leprechauns and shamrocks, it must have been lucky to be of Irish descent for its March meeting. Mary Ellen Greene certainly had the right name, and dressed head to toe in green as is her family custom, she drew the luck of the Irish when it came to door prizes.

The Woman's Club raffles off door prizes

as a fundraiser every month, and among the March prizes were two large, sweet-scented Carolina jasmynes. Mrs. Greene held the winning ticket for one of them.

Speaking of fundraisers, the Woman's Club is holding its big fundraiser next month with a fashion show and luncheon, Saturday, April 12, beginning at noon. Tickets are \$25. Contact Dale Sowell at (850) 973-6576, or ask any Woman's Club member.

## A Florida Governor Remembered

Photo Submitted

It was March 28, 2000 and Sherilyn Lightcap Pickels of Madison was being inducted into the Florida State University chapter of the Phi Kappa Phi honor society. She was a junior at the time and was surprised to find the former Florida governor Ruebin Askew at the ceremony. She discovered that he was president of the FSU Phi Kappa Phi chapter and their national president. He was found to be a very warm and personable individual who circulated through the crowd to make contact with each new member giving them encouragement to continue their academic journey and use their talents for the good of their communi-



ties. He showed the characteristics of being sincere and genuine with each one with whom he spoke. Condolences to the family on the loss of

such a well respected public servant.

Sherilyn Pickels is currently the Assistant County Coordinator for Madison County, Florida.

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# Around Madison County

## A Thrift Store That Is Also A Ministry



Greene Publishing, Inc. Photo By Lynette Norris, March 13, 2014

Sue Hunter speaks to the Woman's Club about the thrift store operated by the United Methodist Cooperative Ministries. Sue, her husband Jim, and many other volunteers help run the store at 799 SW Pinckney Street, Suite A. Currently, the posted hours of operation are Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. On the second Wednesday of every month, the store closes at noon, because the 55 Plus Club, another UMCM Co-op ministry, meets at that time. For more information about the thrift store, including where to take donations, call (850) 973-2295 during business hours.

By Lynette Norris  
Greene Publishing, Inc.

Sue Hunter's family had to listen to a lot of "beauty shop talk" during her 50 years as a beautician, she told the Woman's Club at their March meeting. Now they have to listen to a lot of "thrift-store talk." The thrift store she is talking about is the one organized by the United Methodist Cooperative Ministries of

Madison County and operated out of the large blue building that also houses Consolidated Christian Ministries and Farm Share, next to the Madison County Jail. Eight United Methodist Churches in Madison County belong to the Co-op, and the thrift store, at 799 SW Pinckney Street, Suite A, is one of their many outreach ministries.

"We come to the service of needy people," said Hunter, who, with her husband Jim, oversee the thrift store operation. "We get referrals from the Red Cross, from other churches, even from folks who call to tell us their neighbors just got burned out," said Hunter.

They take donations from the public to either give to the needy or sell to others at a reasonable rate. The thrift store is a non-profit organization, but it still has to pay the light bill and the phone bill. Any money left over goes back into the co-op to fund other ministries.

Of course, after running the thrift store for a while, she does have several stories to tell.

There was the referral of a young mother with two children and her father-in-law, who had been burned out of their home. After the thrift store volunteers had outfitted each family member with three sets of

clothes, the young woman tearfully tried to pay with the last two dollars she had left.

"We told her to keep her two dollars, because we were doing this for love," said Hunter.

When fires happen, people call her and she goes out to meet the family and take them to the thrift store. It's only open for business three days a week, so often she unlocks the door, flips on the lights and gets down to the business of finding the things that everyone needs.

Along the way, there have been little miracles. She tells the story of a little boy who came in with a family from a burnout and wanted a pair of boots because his feet were cold. Hunter didn't think they had any boots, but she took him over to the children's shoe department, and there was a pair of little boots, just the right size. She could have sworn those boots weren't there the day before.

There was another child who wanted a bike, but there weren't any bikes at the store. The next morning, Hunter stepped outside her home and found that someone had left a child's bike beside her front door. There was no note, no clue as to where it had come from, but the child from the thrift store soon had

the bike he wanted.

Sometimes the oddest things have a way of becoming "just what someone else needs." There was a collection of lonely teacups at the store that didn't match each other, but a group that went out to the Madison Nursing Center to hold tea parties for the residents came in and bought them one day.

After clothes have hung on the racks for two or three months, they are "black-bagged" and taken to Valdosta, where they are tied into bales and sent to third world countries. Sometimes, the thrift store volunteers wondered how this worked, until one day a man who was visiting Madison from Costa Rica stopped in the store and described seeing the bales unloaded on the docks, the bales cut open and left for people to come and get what they needed. The clothes never remained on the docks for very long.

The thrift store also has workers who are assigned to the thrift store to work off community service hours.

"When it comes to the community service people who work there, we try to show them Christian love," said Hunter, recalling one young girl under house arrest who was allowed out only to work at

the thrift store. She loved to shop at the store while she was working, and one day remarked that, "if (my hometown) had a store like this, young girls wouldn't have to turn tricks to have clothes to wear."

Another woman, an abused wife, had finally had enough one day and shot her husband in the backside. After serving her six months in prison, she was assigned to do community service hours in the thrift shop.

Volunteers over the past year have also included four high school students doing community service for college credit.

Over the past year, the thrift store has served 60 burnout families and 35 displaced persons (usually women with young children fleeing from an abusive husband in the middle of the night). They will provide three sets of clothing to people who have just gotten out of prison and have nothing else, and they have also provided clothing to 45 needy residents in nursing homes and 60 in assisted living facilities, providing them with three outfits per season.

They also assist MCCS by keeping a supply of children's clothes for the smaller children who sometimes have accidents at school. They help out with

uniforms by providing money to the schools for children who need them, and they also have schools uniforms that parents donate when their own children have outgrown them.

They have filled needs for 65 referrals from area churches, done Easter baskets for shut-ins, donated 95 blankets, 160 jackets, contributed over 40 items for Baptist Shoebox Ministries and provided diapers – infants and adults – for 95 people.

The thrift store keeps a small inventory of medical equipment on hand to loan out to those in need, including 11 wheelchairs, 25 potty chairs, 26 walkers, 20 sets of crutches, 21 canes, and several other items.

Some one-of-a-kind donations they have made to the community include a high chair and a vacuum cleaner donated to a church, and a king-sized bed donated to the Methodist Children's Youth Ranch parsonage.

Some of their most popular items, Bibles and religious books, are free to everyone.

"We thank our community for all your help," said Hunter. "It makes it possible for us to operate something so beneficial to so many. Thank y'all for the opportunity to talk about it."

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## Meet Your Local E.M.S. Juan Botino

**Title:** Madison County E.M.S. and 911 Coordinator.

**Hometown:** Born in Cuba and came to Miami when he was 7 years old. "I moved to Madison when I finished high school. I went to NFCC and worked at the hospital and ambulance. Then I returned to Miami back in 1975 and worked the ambulance there." He returned to Madison in 1981.

**Why He Chose E.M.S.:** "Actually E.M.S. was accidental. When I left Miami, I came to Madison. My uncle was here and I really wanted to fly airplanes. I joined the Army R.O.T.C. in college but then my eyesight wasn't that great and just working at the hospital, I guess, I got into the rhythm of taking care of patients."

**Family:** He will be married to his wife Karen for 30 years in July. They have four children and eight grandchildren with two more on the way.

**Favorite Author:** Tom Clancy

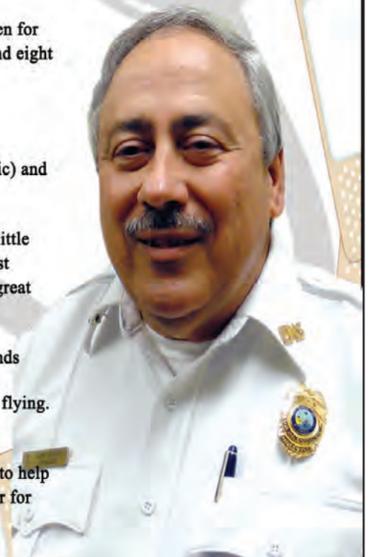
**Favorite Music:** Oldies (60's and 70's music) and Country.

**Hero:** Dad. "He took a stand when I was a little boy against his whole family in Cuba against communist and that's why I'm here in this great country."

**Favorite TV Show:** NCIS and Criminal Minds

**Hobbies:** Saltwater fishing, bike riding and flying.

**Sum It Up:** "Family and friends are more important to me than material things. I like to help and I guess that's why I stayed in this career for forty some years now."



## Madison County High School Students Successful At State Conference



Photo Submitted

FCCLA students from Madison County High School who earned 13 gold medals, three silver medals and qualified to attend FCCLA's national competition are pictured above.

Madison County High School's (MCHS) Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) attended their annual state conference, March 1-4, in Orlando. Students attended sessions, elected new state officers and competed in various events. On the first night of the conference, students got to hear an amazing speaker, Cara Filler, who talked about being willing to speak up when you see friends or loved ones engaging in risky behaviors.

The second day of the conference was Competitive Events Day. The students competed in one of two types of

events: Florida events, which are sponsored by the Florida Association of FCCLA, and STAR events, which are sponsored by the national organization. All sixteen students attending were entered in some type of event. In all, sixteen members attended, earning 13 gold medals in seven events and three silver medals in three events. Eleven of the 16 students qualified to attend competitions at the national meeting this summer in San Antonio, Texas, July 6-10.

### In the Florida Events:

Jessica Mullinax won a gold medal in the senior division for Chapter in Action Scrapbook. Ryan Floyd won a

silver medal in the senior division for Artistic Reflection, Color Photography.

**In the Star Events:** Magan Jennings won a gold medal in the senior division for Career Investigation and qualified for nationals.

Amelia Blanton won a silver medal in the occupational division for Entrepreneurship and qualified for nationals.

Jacob Moore won a silver medal in the senior division for Entrepreneurship and qualified for nationals.

Ashlyn Blount won a gold medal in the occupational division for Entrepreneurship and qualified for nationals and also received \$750 in scholarships to Johnson

and Wales University, renewable for four years.

Kaitlyn Farnell won a gold medal in the occupational division for Entrepreneurship and qualified for nationals and also received \$750 in scholarships to Johnson and Wales University, renewable for four years.

Lizzie Frakes won a gold medal in the senior division for Focus on Children and qualified for nationals.

Savannah Salters won a gold medal in the senior division for Focus on Children and qualified for nationals.

Bianca Serrano won a gold medal in the senior division for Focus on Children and qualified for nationals.

Sarah Baltzell won a

gold medal in the occupational division for Focus on Children.

Victoria Todd won a gold medal in the occupational division for Focus on Children.

Lacey Clayton won a gold medal in the occupational division for Hospitality and Tourism and qualified for nationals and also received \$1,000 in scholarships to Johnson and Wales University, renewable for four years.

Samantha Hentges won a gold medal in the occupational division for Hospitality and Tourism and qualified for nationals and also received \$1,000 in scholarships to Johnson and Wales University, renewable for four years.

Darby Thompson won a gold medal in the senior division for Leadership and qualified for nationals.

Ali Patron won a gold medal in the occupational division for Life Event Planning.

FCCLA advisor, Mrs. Robin Smith, says she is very proud of the student group, not only for their awards but also for the hard work and effort each one of them put into their projects.

"It is joy to work with such outstanding students who drive themselves to compete on the highest level, but who also put a tremendous amount of effort into helping others in the community," said Smith.





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## Lee Day Wrap Up



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Derrek Farmer, De'Ongra Farmer and Barbara Farmer were selling ice cold sno-cones at Lee Day.



Greene Publishing, Inc. Photo by Jacob Bemby, March 15, 2014  
A group of youth and adults from Bible Deliverance Church were selling baked goods, soft drinks and water at Lee Day as a fundraiser.



Greene Publishing, Inc. Photo by Jacob Bemby, March 15, 2014  
Lexi Soles, left, and Cathy Mellinger were sharing information about the Suwannee Valley Humane Society at Lee Day.

By Jessie R. Box  
Greene Publishing, Inc.

Lee Day took place Friday, March 14 and Saturday, March 15. Lee Day started Friday evening with the children's tractor pull and pinewood derby race. Children ages four up to 13 were allowed to participate. For the tractor pull, the children were riding pedal tractors and were pulling wagons.

According to Carol Bynum, member of the Lee Homecoming Day Committee, the weight in the wagons would increase as the ages went up.

"They would pedal the hardest they could to get there," said Bynum about the children racing in the tractor pull.

The pinewood derby cars were provided to the children that signed up and the children were allowed to decorate their own car.

"For the races, everybody was given certificates," said Bynum. "We didn't want it to be too competitive."

The parade started at 10 a.m. on Saturday and included several fire trucks, police cars and several of the vendors. Grand Marshall of the parade was Tom Moore, a resident of Lee. Miss Lee Elsie Kuhl and runner up Caitlin Gibson were also in the parade. Following the

parade was the main event.

The Lee Homecoming Day Committee estimated that 1,500 - 2,000 people came to the festivities. According to Bynum, there were at least twenty vendors, which included the food booths, arts and crafts and the three bounce houses. There was also a quilt show in city hall. Residents of Lee created all of the impressive quilts that were on display. Also on display was the coloring contest participant's artwork. The children were given the same picture on Friday to color.

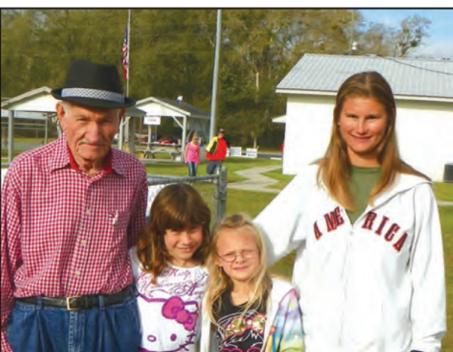
As people were sitting and enjoying the food, the bands Chapel Road, Overall Gang and Reckless Reality performed.

Another attraction that had everyone excited about going to Lee Day was the elephant, Tiny. Tiny's owner Tom Liebel, from Davenport, brought the elephant for people to ride. He also had ponies to ride as well. The Deep South Steam Engine Trade Show had sixty steam engines for people to look at and learn about how they worked.

"We were all very pleased with the outcome of this year's event and are already planning next year," said Doug McNicol, Lee Homecoming Day Committee member.



Greene Publishing, Inc. Photo by Jacob Bemby, March 15, 2014  
Ted and Cynthia Ensminger and Madison County Memorial Hospital CEO David Abercrombie had an information booth set up for the new hospital.



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Harvey Pickles, left, is joined by, from right to left: Harley Williamson, Haley Williamson and Rhonda Williamson.



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Ciara Sweat holds Samantha Sweat during Lee Day.

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Maude Pickles, center, was joined on Lee Day by two of her nephews, Cecil Skeen, left, and Wayne Skeen, right.



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Jimmy Dixon relaxes as he gets ready for the Lee Day parade to start.

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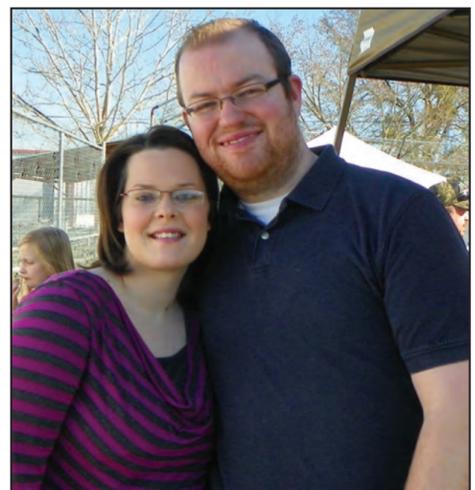
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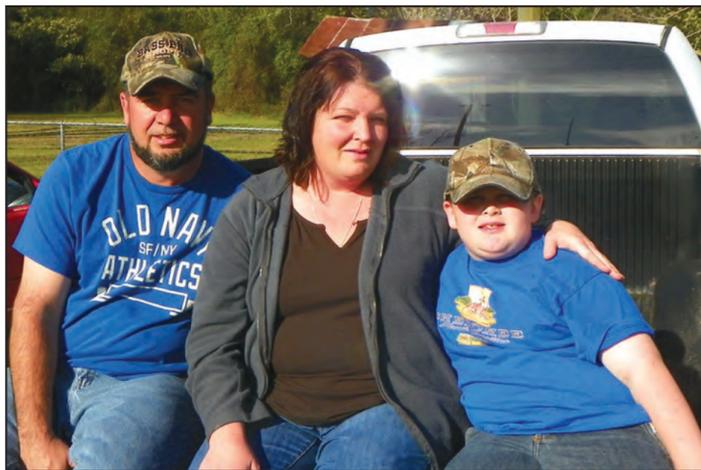
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Elsie Kuhl was chosen Miss Lee 2014.



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Emily Grosskopf, Rebecca Grosskopf and Briana Michael, pictured left to right, were selling Girl Scout cookies at Lee Day.



Greene Publishing, Inc. Photo by Jacob Bemby, March 15, 2014  
Stephanie and Bryant Thigpen were enjoying the Lee Day festivities.



Greene Publishing, Inc. Photo by Jacob Bemby, March 15, 2014  
Gerald, Angel and Cadyn Lewis, shown left to right, sit on the bed of a pickup truck, waiting for the parade to start.



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The Town of Lee honored one of its favorites by choosing him Grand Marshal of the Lee Day Parade. Tom Moore, former teacher, principal and coach at Lee Junior High School, waves to the crowd from the passenger seat at the front. His son-in-law, Greg Ragans, drives and seated in the back are Tom's bride, Carolyn and daughter, Margaret.



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Sheriff Ben Stewart and his wife, Kim, were enjoying the Lee Day festivities.



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Terry Putnal, left, and Jim Bilberry were directing traffic at Lee Day.



Greene Publishing, Inc. Photo by Jacob Bemby, March 15, 2014  
Kylie Williams hugs her grandmother, Cindy Williams, at Lee Day.



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Enjoying Lee Day were, back row, from left to right: Jake Omans, Angel Omans, Emily Weaver and Ryan Weaver. Seated in stroller: Cheyenne Omans.



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Wanda, Riley and Pat Taylor, shown left to right, were enjoying Lee Day.

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The elephant ride was a big hit with the adults and kids alike during the Lee Homecoming Day, in Lee Friday and Saturday.



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It's not very often you see a taxi of any kind in Lee, let alone a yellow taxi, but, hey, since it's the Lee Day Parade...



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The Steam Engine Club showcased a steam engine powered boat during the Lee Day Parade.



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Lee City Mayor, James Bell and City Manager, Danny Plain were busy during the Lee Homecoming Day Parade passing out beads and candy, Saturday morning.



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Miss Lee, Elsie Kuhl, daughter of Kris and Joann Kuhl of Lee, represents the 2014 Lee Homecoming Queen in style during the parade in Lee Saturday morning.



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Lee Elementary School Teacher of the Year Amy Fletcher waves to the crowd as she rides on the back of a pickup with LES Principal Robin Hill.

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Ian, Alexia, Halley and Lauryn collected a lot of beads and candy during the Lee Homecoming Day parade and was all smiles.

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Local band Reckless Reality closed out the Lee Homecoming Day with some country music.

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# Happenings

At Madison  
First Baptist Church

Submitted By Judy Phillips  
Guest Columnist

**WE'RE GOING ON A MISSION TRIP..PRAY..GIVE..GO**  
Our Missions Committee has partnered with Back2Back Ministries of Monterrey, Mexico. The trip is scheduled for July 25 - Aug. 2. Pray for the fifteen participants daily. Each of us can do M~M~M something good. Let's get busy. Here's the list:

**MUSIC** ~ Make a donation to the mission fund and Lynne will play your favorite hymn for the prelude in memory or honor of someone or just a song you love to hear. Donations to Kara and requests to Lynne.

**MERCHANDISE** ~ During the month of March we will be collecting new tennis shoes, new socks and new underwear: Kids, 3T; Men's medium; Women) 5-6; new boxers and briefs: adult small and medium, gently used children's clothes, jeans for boy and girls, sizes 6-14, bras for teenage girls, and boys' bathing suits, sizes 3T, medium or size 10/12. Please contact Kara Washington or church office for a pamphlet.

Our time of praise included "Friend of God" and "Serve the Lord with Gladness." The offertory was "Glorious is Thy Name Most Holy." We welcomed guest speaker Alston Kelley, a Gideon since 1986, that shared his testimony, gave some facts about the Gideon work and challenged us to support the group. Bro. Gabe continued his preaching from the Sermon on the Mount using Matthew 7:15-20 as his text. The title of the sermon was "By Their Fruits You

Will Know Them." "Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravenous wolves. You will know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes from thorn bushes or figs from thistles? Even so, every good tree bears good fruit, but a bad tree bears bad fruit. A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a bad tree bear good fruit. Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. Therefore by their fruits you will know them." The audience for the Sermon on the Mount has grown from the twelve disciples to a much larger group of people. Jesus is about to complete the sermon. In verse 15, Jesus says that some will claim to know Him, but they are like wolves in sheep's clothing. They try to water down the Gospel. Eventually their true nature will be revealed. We can tell the difference by the fruit they bear. Check out Galatians 5:22-23, and see if they bear this kind of fruit. Bad fruit trees produce bad fruit. Good fruit trees bear good fruit. Verse 19 serves as a warning that if the tree doesn't bear good fruit it will be cut. "Therefore (because of all that has just been said), by their fruits, you will know them."

This month Southern Baptist churches will be promoting the Week of Prayer for North American Missions: Annie Armstrong Easter Offering. Our local goal is \$2500. Prayer guides and envelopes were available and can also be picked up from the church office. Please prayerfully give.

**March 24-28** ~ SPRING BREAK for local schools. NO GOOD NEWS CLUB WILL MEET.

**March 25** ~ Tuesday ~ JOY Choir ~ We will visit Dowling Park and then go out to eat.

**March 26** ~ Wednesday's Schedule: 6 p.m. ~ The Youth and College Group, 6:30 p.m. ~ Prayer Meeting, 7:30 p.m. ~ Worship Choir rehearsal. You should note AWANA will not meet on this night.

The Family Career and Community Leaders of America/Madison County High School is sponsoring a food drive in order to collect food for Madison County Elementary students in need. One in six children do not receive proper meals or snacks when they go home on the weekends. Donated food items will be packed into back packs to be given to selected elementary students on Fridays before the weekend.

**BREAKFAST ITEMS:** Granola bars, pop tarts, individual packaged cereal, etc. **SNACK ITEMS:** Pudding, fruit cups, fruit snacks, individually packaged crackers and chips and other snack items. **LUNCH ITEMS:** Easy Mac, Chef Boyardee products, Ramen noodles, etc. **DRINKS:** Individually packaged fruit juices and drinks. Any donations will be appreciated. This will continue until the end of the school year.

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Join us this week at 9:45 a.m. for Sunday school where we have classes for nursery through senior adults. Worship begins at 11 a.m. when we will honor the Lord with songs of praise, prayers, offerings, and the spoken word. Support our Sunday nights @ First. And remember "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law." Galatians 5:22-23 NKJV. What kind of fruit are you bearing?

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### What If You Get Audited?



Stacy Bush, President  
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"Audit" is a word that can strike fear into the hearts of taxpayers.

However, the chances of an Internal Revenue Service audit aren't that high. In 2011, the IRS audited 1.1% of all individual tax returns.

And being audited does not necessarily imply that the IRS suspects wrongdoing. The IRS says an audit is just a formal review of a tax return to ensure information is being reported according to current tax law and to verify that the information itself is accurate. The IRS selects returns for audit using four main methods.

**Random Selection.** Some returns are chosen at random based on the results of a statistical formula.

**Information Matching.** The IRS compares reports from payers-W2 forms from employers, 1099 forms from banks and brokerages, and others- to the returns filed by taxpayers. Those that don't match may be examined further.

**Related Examinations.** Some returns are selected for an audit because they involve issues or transactions with other taxpayers whose returns have been selected for examination.

There are a number of sound tax practices that may reduce the chances of an audit.

**Provide Complete Information.** Among the most commonly overlooked information is missing Social Security numbers -including those for any dependent children and ex-spouses.

**Avoid Math Errors.** When the IRS receives a return that contains math errors, it assesses the error and sends a

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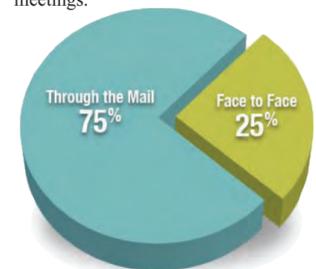
**Match Your Statements.** The numbers on any W-2 and 1099 forms must match the returns to which they are tied. Those that don't match may be flagged for an audit.

**Don't Repeat Mistakes.** The IRS remembers those returns it has audited. It may check to make sure past errors aren't repeated.

**Keep Complete Records.** This won't reduce the chance of an audit, but it potentially may make it much easier to comply with IRS requests for documentation.

**Audits Have Changed**

Most audits don't involve face-to-face meetings with IRS agents or representatives. In 2011, 75% were actually conducted through the mail; only 25% involved face-to-face meetings.



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**BID NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that the Board of County Commissioners of Madison County, Florida will be accepting sealed bids for the following: One (1) New Current Model Tandem Drive Motor Grader, Heavy Duty Category, with attachments: Caterpillar No. 120M2, John Deere 670 G, Volvo G930R or Equivalent, Bid Number 2014-05.

Sealed bids may be submitted to the Madison County Board of County Commissioners by depositing same at the Board office located in the Madison County Courthouse Annex, Room 219, 229 SW Pinckney Street, Madison, Florida 32340, or Post Office Box 539, Madison, Florida 32341, anytime prior to 5:00 PM on Friday, April 4, 2014. ANY BID RECEIVED AFTER SUCH DATE AND TIME WILL NOT BE OPENED OR CONSIDERED. Sealed bids must be clearly marked as a sealed bid and the bid number must be printed on the outside of the front of the envelope. One (1) New Tandem Drive Motor Grader, Bid Number 2014-05. BID MUST CONTAIN A COPY OF THE VENDOR'S MADISON COUNTY OCCUPATIONAL LICENSE WHERE APPLICABLE.

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Bids will be opened at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, April 7, 2014 in the County Commission meeting room located in the Madison County Courthouse Annex after which all bids will be available for public inspection. Bid Award by the Board of County Commissioners will be during their regularly scheduled meeting to be held on Wednesday, April 9, 2014. All vendors will be notified in writing of the successful bidder.

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