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-Daniel Webster

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Two Juveniles Arrested For Concealed Firearms



Raven Robinson
By Jessie R. Box
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Two juveniles were arrested on Tuesday, July 1 at 9:53 a.m. when a Madison Police Department officer contacted the juveniles to issue a

trespass warning. According to the report, Patrolman Travis Johnson received a request on Tuesday, July 1, from the storeowner of the Second Chance store on Horry Avenue to give two juvenile males a trespass warning if he made contact with them. The juveniles had come into the store earlier that day and asked the storeowner questions about the firearms the store had in stock and if the owner was at the store alone. The questions made the storeowner suspi-

cious. One was identified as wearing a red and white striped shirt and the other one was wearing a bright green shirt. Ptl. Johnson made contact with two juveniles matching the description, identified as 16-year-old Reginald Davis and 12-year-old Raven Robinson, at the intersection of Third Avenue and Smith Street and asked if they had been in the Second Chance store on that day and they said yes. As Ptl. Johnson was issuing the trespass warning, Corpo-

ral Jeff Rosenberg arrived on scene. Cpl. Rosenberg stood behind the juveniles and noticed an object protruding out of Robinson's waistband. Cpl. Rosenberg conducted a pat search and located a black Colt Defender .177 caliber pellet gun. Ptl. Johnson then conducted a pat search on Davis and found a Springfield Armory XD-40 .40 caliber handgun. Communication advised that the handgun had been reported stolen. The handgun had a magazine but was not loaded.



Reginald Davis

Robinson and Davis were arrested and transported to the Madison County Jail. Robinson was charged with carrying a concealed firearm. Davis was charged with carrying a concealed firearm and dealing in stolen property.

LEE TOWN ATTORNEY RESIGNS

By Jessie R. Box
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The Lee Town Council had their monthly meeting on Tuesday, July 1 at 7 p.m. The town council only had two items to discuss, the town attorney position and changing the TRIM Workshop date. Scot Copeland, the town's attorney, has resigned. At the last meeting on Tuesday, June 3, the council voted to offer the job to Ernie Page, of the Hardee Law Firm. Page has accepted the position but there has been no official start date set.

The TRIM workshop has been rescheduled to Monday, July 7 at 6:30 p.m. The TRIM workshop is a discussion for the town's budget for the next fiscal year.

The next regular meeting for the Lee Town Council is August 5 at 7 p.m.

THREE VEHICLE CRASH CAUSED BY MAN DRIVING WRONG WAY

By Jessie R. Box
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An intoxicated man driving on the wrong side of Interstate 10 on Monday, June 16, at 8:41 a.m. caused a three vehicle crash.

According to the Florida Highway Patrol, Dale Samuel Boulineau, 47, of Jacksonville, was traveling east in the westbound inside lane on I-10 at Mile Marker 254 in his 2005 Buick Terraza.

Manuel Antonio Quintanilla, 20, of St. Augustine, was traveling westbound on I-10 at Mile Marker 254 in the westbound left lane of travel in his Ford Ranger.

Leah Ann Hammond, 23, of Tallahassee, was traveling

westbound on I-10 at Mile Marker 254 in the westbound right lane of travel in her Volkswagen Jetta.

As the three vehicles were traveling, Quintanilla observed that Boulineau was traveling in the wrong direction on the roadway. Quintanilla attempted to take an evasive maneuver to avoid making contact with Boulineau by swerving right. However, Boulineau's left front struck the left front of Quintanilla's vehicle. Then causing the right side of Quintanilla's vehicle to strike the left side of Hammond.

As a result of the collision, both Quintanilla and Hammond
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Photo Submitted By RandEventPros

The driver of the Buick Terraza came to a rest on the shoulder and sustained damage on the left front side in a crash on I-10 on Monday, June 16.



Photo Submitted By RandEventPros

The Volkswagen Jetta came to a final rest in the trees on the shoulder after a crash that involved a man driving in the wrong direction on I-10.



Photo Submitted By RandEventPros

After a three vehicle crash on I-10 on Monday, June 16, the Ford Ranger that was involved came to a stop on the shoulder.

Governor Scott Signs Several Bills Into Law To Protect Children

By Jessie R. Box
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Governor Rick Scott was focused on protecting the children of Florida when

he signed bills into law during the week of June 23 to June 27.

Gov. Scott signed Senate Bill 1666, on Monday, June 23, which strengthened laws and

increased resources to protect children from abuse and neglect.

The reform established a new Assistant Secretary for Child Welfare at Department

of Children and Families, created a Critical Incident Rapid Response Team to quickly investigate child abuse deaths where the child was known to the child

welfare system, strengthened provisions relating to safety plans for children who have been abused or neglected and codifies
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County Recognized By State Health Department

Greene Publishing, Inc. Photo By Lynette Norris, June 25, 2014

Colleen Harmon of the Madison County Health Department presents the plaque to the County Commissioners at their last meeting. Left to right are: Commissioner Ronnie Moore, Commissioner Chair Justin Hamrick, Harmon, Commissioner Wayne Vickers, Commissioner Rick Davis and Commissioner Clyde Alexander. Not pictured, Betsy Rykard of the Madison County Health Department, who was also on hand as Harmon made the presentation.



By Lynette Norris
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The Florida Department of Health has recognized 37 communities around the state as "Healthy Weight Community Champions" and one of them is Madison County.

The State Health Department has made healthy weight a number one priority public health issue after seeing that weight is the number one public health threat of the future.
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Sat 7/5	98/73		Scattered thunderstorms possible.
Sun 7/6	89/72		Scattered thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 80s and lows in the low 70s.
Mon 7/7	90/72		A few thunderstorms possible. Highs in the low 90s and lows in the low 70s.

Viewpoints & Opinions

Madison County Extension Service



Diann Douglas
Guest Columnist

Think Food Safety For 4th Of July Picnics

suggest the following practices to keep your picnic safe:

Wash your hands with clean safe water and soap often, especially before eating or preparing food. You may need to carry water for the purpose of hand washing.

If there is no clean water to wash your hands, use alcohol-based gel to clean your hands.

Keep the hand sanitizers away from small children and follow directions carefully.

When temperatures are above 90°F, perishable foods should not be left out for more than one hour.

Safe shelf-life of perishable foods is a combination of time and temperature. Carry cold perishable foods like hamburgers, hot dogs in an insulated cooler packed with plenty of ice.

Perishable cooked foods like potato salad or cooked chicken should be packed on ice, but separate from any raw meat you may pack.

Carry your coolers inside the car and not in the trunk where the surrounding temperatures can be extremely hot.

Keep food in coolers until you are ready to serve it. If you are grilling, cook only the

amount of food that will be eaten at the meal.

Discard perishable foods if it has been on a picnic table for a long time. Remember the rule, "If in doubt, throw it out!"

Ice is a food, so handle it as you would handle foods. Ice that is used for cooling drinks and other foods should not be placed in your drinking cup! Consider putting perishable food in one cooler and pack a separate cooler of ice for drinking beverages.

Follow safe handling of fresh fruits and vegetables to reduce the risk of food borne illness. Fruit like cantaloupe and watermelon should be rinsed under running water before slicing to eliminate any dirt.

At family picnics, remind your children and family members the importance of good personal hygiene and serving practices to prevent potential cross-contamination of germs from your hand to others!

For more information on food safety, contact the Madison County Extension Service office.

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Jacob's Ladder



Jacob Bemby
Columnist

DANCE WITH THE STARS

and forth as the skies, which dim from blue to black welcome a sea of stars as the dance hall lights.

I watch for a few moments before going inside. As the summer wind blows gently, the trees are truly dancing with the stars. I breathe in the fresh air that God has given us, thankful for each breath.

I have so much to be thankful for. So many times, I want more but God knows how much I can handle. I would not wish for the whole world in exchange for my

soul. (Matthew 16:26) *"Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee."* Hebrews 13:5 (KJV)

I am thankful for my family and my friends. I am thankful for a home and for food on the table and clothing and shoes to wear. I am thankful most of all for salvation through the blood of Jesus Christ.

I think I will go outside and, like the trees, dance with the stars.

Fire Safety Tips By Fire Chief Bruce Jordan

Fireworks Safety Tips



Fire Chief Bruce Jordan
The Madison Fire Rescue Department encourages you to practice safety when using fireworks.

Enjoy the holiday but please be careful!

Any firework that explodes or launches into the air is illegal in the State of Florida unless used at a permitted fireworks display.

Fireworks Statistics

- In 2011, fireworks caused an estimated 17,800 reported fires, including 1,200 total structure fires, 400 vehicle fires and 16,300 outside and other fires. These fires resulted in an estimated eight reported civilian deaths, 40 civilian injuries and \$32 million in direct property damage.

- In 2012, U.S. hospital emergency rooms treated an estimated 8,700 people for fireworks related injuries; 55 percent of 2012

emergency room fireworks-related injuries were to the extremities and 31 percent were to the head.

- The risk of fireworks injury was highest for young people ages 15-24, followed by children under 10.
- On Independence Day in a typical year, far more U.S. fires are reported than on any other day and fireworks account for two out of five of those fires, more than any other cause of fires.

Safety Tips from the National Council on Fireworks Safety

- Always purchase fireworks from a reliable source.
- Use fireworks as directed on the product safety label; never alter products.
- Observe local laws and use good COMMON SENSE.
- A responsible ADULT should supervise all firework activities.
- Parents should not allow young children to handle or use fireworks.
- Alcohol and fireworks do not mix.
- Use fireworks OUTDOORS in a clear area,

AWAY from buildings and vehicles.

- NEVER carry fireworks in your POCKET.
- Wear safety glasses whenever possible when using fireworks.
- Always have water ready if you are using fireworks.
- Do not experiment with homemade fireworks.
- Never relight a "dud" firework. Wait 20 minutes and then soak it in a bucket of water.
- Soak spent fireworks with water before placing them in an outdoor trash can.
- Report illegal explosives, like M-80s and quarter sticks, to the fire or police department.

Sparklers burn at a very hot temperature, if your clothes catch on fire remember to STOP, DROP AND ROLL.

Statistics provided by the National Fire Protection Association.

Any group(s) that would like to have someone come out and speak about any fire safety topics, please contact Chief Bruce Jordan (850) 973-5075 or email: bruce.jordan@cityof-madisonfl.com.

Conservative Corner

By Nelson A. Pryor, Lee, Fl.

JULY 4, 1776

Madison has two founding patriots that honors the 4th of July. These two, of Madison's many, are truly worthy of note.

One is John McGehee, and the other is his son, Judge John C. McGehee.

Declaration of Independence

Imagine a Revolutionary War veteran buried in Madison County, in a State that did not exist, until 1845. But it happened!

It is the Declaration of Independence, of July 4, 1776, that we celebrate. The Colonial crisis had begun. As Colonies, they met in convention in Philadelphia, and signed up for an alliance to defeat the greatest country, and army, that the world had ever seen.

John McGehee

This patriot was born in Louisa County, Virginia, in 1763. He heard the call from his country, and joined the war as a 16 year old. Imagine, if you will, hearing the call from men like Patrick Henry, Thomas Jefferson, George Washington, and Harry "Light horse" Lee. What was the call? A defense of his country-Virginia.

The third part of

the Declaration of Independence tells us that this was a document of thirteen countries. That's where the declaration declares: "These united colonies are, and of right ought to be, free and independent States." Then the document describes the meaning of the word-State. And that is: they were to be States like France, and Spain, each with their own attached sovereignty.

Upon his death, at Chuleotah, on Madison's old Bellamy Road, near Lake Sampola, this former school teacher, is laid to rest. His obituary from the Tallahassee Floridian, of January 25, 1834, follows:

"Died-At his residence in Madison County, Florida, on the 12th instant, Mr. John McGehee, after a protracted illness. The deceased was a native of Virginia, and entered the service of his country, at the age of sixteen, which he never left until the close of the Revolutionary War. Immediately after which he immigrated to South Carolina, where he resided until the fall of 1830, at which time he moved to Florida. He died at the advanced age of

seventy-two; perfectly resigned and professing to be ready to meet his God.

"There never lived a man who was more universally (sic) the respect and esteem of those who knew him."

John C. McGehee

The school teacher and veteran, of the war that cut Virginia and the other colonies free, making them independent States, as declared by the Declaration of Independence, was his son's mentor. And what an exemplar of his fathers views.

States' Rights to the core! John C. was a planter, rail road investor and statesman. For instance, known as the "Judge," he served Madison as a delegate to write the first Constitution for Florida. That Constitution went into effect, in 1845.

In an eventful life, this son of the Revolutionary War veteran, carried on those traditions. This included serving Florida as President of its Constitutional Convention, in 1861, which voted to secede from the Union. This warrior for Florida was part of those who made her first State Motto: "Let Us Alone."

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World News
By Rose Klein

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Crash

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traveled in a northwest direction colliding with a few shrubs before coming to a final rest on the north side of I-10. Boulineau continued traveling southeast before coming to a final rest on the south shoulder of I-10 facing in a southeast direction.

Quintanilla and his passenger, Sebastian Mauricio Martens, 19, of Miami, were transported to Madison

County Memorial Hospital for minor injuries. Boulineau reported minor injuries but was not transported to a hospital, according to the report. Hammond reported no injuries.

Boulineau was charged with D.U.I. with property damage and personal injury and driving on the wrong side of a divided highway.

Protect

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that the foremost goal of the department is to protect the best interest of children.

On Tuesday, June 24, Gov. Scott signed HB 225, which revises child restraint requirements to increase the safety of children passengers in motor vehicles. Current law requires every motor vehicle operator in Florida use a crash-tested, federally approved child restraint device for children three years or younger. HB 225 extends current requirements to include children four and five years old.

Gov. Scott also signed Senate Bill 102, on Tuesday, June 24, which creates the Aaron Cohen Life Protection Act relating to leaving the scene of an accident. This bill includes increasing the

punishment for leaving the scene of a crash resulting in serious injury to a person, imposing a mandatory minimum term for imprisonment of four years for a driver convicted of leaving the scene of a crash resulting in the death of a person, increasing the mandatory minimum term of imprisonment from two to four years for a driver convicted of leaving the scene of a crash resulting in the death of a person while driving under the influence and imposing a minimum drivers license revocation period of at least three years.

On Wednesday, June 25, Gov. Scott signed House Bill 561, which requires the appointment of an attorney to represent children

who have special needs, unless a pro bono attorney represents the child.

The bill states that an attorney shall be appointed for a dependent child with disabilities who meets one or more of the following criteria:

- Resides in a skilled nursing facility or is being considered for placement in a skilled nursing home
- Is prescribed a psychotropic medication but declines assent to the medication
- Has a diagnosis of a developmental disability as defined in law
- Is being placed in a residential treatment center or being considered for placement in a residential treatment center
- Is a victim of human trafficking.

Recognized

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ture. According to statistics, only 35 percent of Floridians are at a healthy weight. 40 percent are overweight and 25 percent are obese (more than 20 percent above their ideal body weight).

However, it is not only the current statistics that are of concern, it is the rate at which these numbers are increasing. If obesity numbers continue to rise at their current rate, almost 60 percent of Floridians will be obese by 2030.

"Healthy Weight Community Champions" recognizes that county and municipal

governments can play an important role in raising awareness and decreasing rates of obesity among its residents, from sponsoring free or low-cost health and fitness events to overall community design to healthier choices in vending machines at local park facilities. The award presentation read to the County Commissioners by Colleen Harmon of the Madison County Health Department made mention of the area's biking and hiking trails, parks and recreation facilities.

The Community Champions program is

part of the Department's Healthiest Weight Florida initiative. Healthiest Weight Florida is a public-private collaboration bringing together state agencies, local governments, not-for-profit organizations, businesses, schools, faith-based organizations and entire communities to help Florida's children and adults make consistent, informed choices about healthy eating and active living.

To learn more about Healthiest Weight Florida program, please visit www.HealthiestWeightFL.com.

May Rainfall Soaks Much Of Suwannee

Lazaro Aleman
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The Suwannee River Water Management District (SRWMD) continues its post drought recovery, with May's rainfall level above average for the 5th consecutive month.

"Districtwide rainfall in May was 5.81 inches, which is 168 percent of normal May rainfall based on records beginning in 1932," states the agency's latest hydrologic conditions report.

The report notes that accumulations were mostly above normal across the district, with the exception of parts of Jefferson and coastal Dixie and Levy counties, which were much below normal. In fact, the lowest gauged total was two inches, recorded at Wacissa Tower in Jefferson County.

"Average rainfall for the 12 months ending May 31 was 15.3 inches higher than the long-term average of 54.63 inches, the highest annual surplus since 2005," states the report. "Average rainfall for the three months ending April 30 was 8.5 inches higher than the long-term average of 11.3 inches."

Continues the report, "The last major drought ended in May 2012. In the succeeding two years, parts of Taylor, Lafayette and Suwannee counties have received nearly an extra year's rainfall."

The report goes on to say that most of the rest of the district has seen at least normal rain, with

the exception of isolated areas that remain below normal. Overall, however, "rainfall has been 20 percent higher than normal in the last two years, amounting to about 21 inches above average, the highest such total since 1998," according to the report.

Jefferson County received 3.41 inches in May, compared with the May average of 5.88 inches. The county received 65.76 inches of rainfall during the last 12 months, or 109 percent of the annual normal.

Madison County, for its part, received 5.30 inches in May, compared with the May average of 4.73 inches. Madison County received 72.21 inches during the last 12 months, or 128 percent of the annual normal.

River levels generally fell toward the end of the month, although a few experienced minor to moderate flooding earlier. Lake levels likewise generally fell, with several, including Sneads Smokehouse in Jefferson County, falling below their long-term average levels.

As for groundwater levels, they generally peaked in May after three months of steady improvement, according to the report.

The National Weather Service Climate Prediction Center's (CPC) three-month outlook shows equal chances of above or below normal precipitation through August.

"The El Niño watch issued by the CPC in March remains in effect," states the report. "Their June 6 report gives a 70 percent chance of El Niño in the summer and an 80 percent chance in the fall and winter. There is still uncertainty about the predicted strength of the El Niño, but most models slightly favor a moderate strength event in the fall and winter."

The El Niño, according to the National Weather Service (NWS), includes enhanced precipitation and severe weather in the southeast, and is strongest in the fall, winter and spring.

"In the summer, El Niño can reduce the formation of tropical cyclones in the Atlantic by causing increased wind shear," according to the NWS.

The SRWMD continues its Phase I Water Shortage Advisory, which urges the voluntary reduction of unnecessary water usage. Information about the SRWMD's year-round lawn and landscape irrigation measures can be found at www.mysuwanneeriver.com.

The SRWMD encompasses all or parts of 15 counties in north-central Florida, including Madison and the eastern portion of Jefferson.

The monthly report is a compilation of data collected from radar-derived rainfall estimates, groundwater and surface water levels, river flows and other sources.

Woman Arrested For Trying To Buy Meth For Sister's Birthday

In Provo, Utah, 46-year-old Heather Rodriguez was arrested after she allegedly attempted to purchase methamphetamine from an off duty police officer. During the attempt, she allegedly pulled a glass pipe that was coated with meth residue from her bra and told the officer she wanted to buy meth for her sister as a birthday gift. Rodriguez was booked on suspicion of possession of drug paraphernalia in a drug-free zone and attempted possession of meth for distribution.

Mother's Fast Food Came With Side Order Of Marijuana

In Frederick, Md., a 35-year-old mother of two drove through a Sonic in order to feed her hungry family and along with a side of fries, was given a small bag of marijuana with her order. After opening her bag and finding the drug, she ordered her six-year-old and eight-year-old to stop eating their food. Carla McFarland contacted management at the restaurant and called the police. An employee owned up to having the marijuana and said it must have fallen from her apron. McFarland's Facebook post on the incident drew some laughs but McFarland said she doesn't find it funny. "I think everyone thinks it's so funny, because it's marijuana and it's going to be legalized, but it could have been crack, it could have been cocaine in that little baggie."

Men From Mormon Church Have Bloody Fight Over Saved Seats

In Plain City, Utah, a man has been sentenced to 30 days in jail after fighting over saved seats at a Mormon church. Wayne Dodge got in a fight with another family member after he sat in seats they were trying to save at the Meadows Ward of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. The argument spilled into the parking lot and Dodge allegedly beat a man from the seat-saving family until he was bloody and then accused of swerving his car to hit the man while driving away from the church. The 52-year-old pleaded guilty to misdemeanor assault and was ordered to complete an anger management class as part of his 12 months of probation, along with a \$550 fine.

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Around Madison County

Obituaries

Charles P. Fagan

Charles P. "Scooter" Fagan of Sopchoppy, Fl., passed away Friday, June 27, in the warm waters of the Gulf of Mexico, while scouting for scallops and watching the sunset. He was born in Madison, on March 30, 1947 to the late Charles N. and Marion Fagan.

He is survived by his sister, Barbara Crawford Fagan of Crawfordville; brother, Mike (Linda) Fagan of Tallahassee; son, Charles "CJ" (Colleen) of Tallahassee; daughter, Ramsey (Tom) of Ft. Lauderdale; grandchildren: Kaitlyn and Kelcee Fagan of Tallahassee and Jake, Mary and Sarah Devney of Ft. Lauderdale; Aunt Mary Jones, several cousins, nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephew.

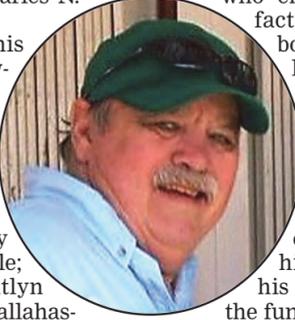
Scooter grew up in Tallahassee, attended Kate Sullivan, Cobb and graduated from Leon High School where he was a star athlete and remained great friends with the "Old Guard" and many of his classmates. Scooter will be remembered for his

love of playing softball; he was the first player to hit the ball out of Tom Brown Park on opening day in 1978 and continued playing for many decades. He had a passion for the water; he was a skilled scuba diver who enjoyed collecting artifacts and was an avid boater. He was the family historian, who took the time to map the family genealogy.

More than anything, he was a loving and supportive father to his children, who could always count on him; he loved and adored his grandchildren and was the fun and lovingly challenging brother to Barbara and Mike and sister-in-law, Linda.

A time of gathering to celebrate Scooter's life will be on Monday, July 7, from 5-7 p.m. at Beggs Funeral Home, 3322 Apalachee Parkway, Tallahassee, Fl. 32311, (850) 942-2929.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Charles' name to the Wakulla Co. Humane Society, located at 1 Oak St., Crawfordville, Fl. 32327.



Daniel Franklin Blount

Daniel "Danny" Franklin Blount, 57, passed away on Friday, June 27, in Gainesville.

Funeral service was held Monday, June 30, at 11 a.m. at Beggs Funeral Home, in Madison. Burial followed in the Oak Ridge Cemetery. The family received friends at the funeral home on Sunday, June 29, from 6 to 8 p.m.

Mr. Blount was born on September 3, 1956 in Quincy, Fl. He is the son of Harry Franklin Blount and Mary Kate Bland Blount. He spent most of his life in Madison. He was a Christian and a member of the Midway Church of God in Lee. He was a US Navy veteran. He was employed as a USDA Food Safety Inspector at Pilgrim's Pride in Live Oak. He loved to go on vacation, camping and concerts. He loved his cats, Blackie and Sarge. He was a people person and loved his church family.

He is survived by his wife, of 20

years, Lori Tompkins Blount, of Lee; one daughter, Ashlyn Kate Blount of Lee; one son, Robert Franklin Blount of Orlando; father-in-law, Larry Tompkin; mother-in-law, Myrtice Tompkins; step-mother, Carolyn Blount of Lee; one sister, Kathy Blount Norris and husband Dennis of Lee; nieces and nephews: Brittany Sivyver and husband Steve of St. Augustine; Heather Norris of Taiwan; Jared Norris of Baltimore, Md.; Joseph Riley Tompkins of Lee; and Allen Harrison Bland of Chattanooga, Tenn.; one brother-in-law, Jody Tompkins and wife Jessica of Lee, and one sister-in-law, Kimberly Bland of Thomasville, Ga. He is also survived by many other relatives and a host of friends.

Donations may be made to Madison County Community Bank, located at 301 East Base St., Madison, Fl. 32340, in memory of Daniel "Danny" Franklin Blount.



Franklin "Don" Merritt

Franklin "Don" Merritt, 75, of Carter Road, Albion, Pa., died on Friday, June 20.

He was born on Aug. 12, 1939, in Lee, a son of the late Ervin F. and Frankie Mildred Ragans Merritt.

Don was raised and educated in Madison County. He then enlisted in the U.S. Navy and served in the Vietnam War.

Following his honorable discharge, Don moved to Albion and was a tool and die maker for Hytech Tool and Design until he retired.

In addition to his parents, Don was preceded in death by an infant daughter, Chandra Merritt; four sisters: Annie Rodgers, Delores Neill, Josie Merritt and Shirley Merritt; and two brothers: E.F. and James Merritt.



Don is survived by his wife, Jean R. Dingfelder Merritt of Albion; a daughter, Melissa "Melsa" Wirtz and her husband, Jeff, of Pittsburgh, Pa.; and a sister, Joyce Rutherford of Lee. He is also survived by many nieces and nephews.

Family and friends were invited to call Tuesday, June 24 from 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m., at the Bracken Funeral Home, 315 N. Center St., Corry, Pa., and attended the funeral service there on Wednesday, June 25 at 11 a.m. Burial was held at Pine Grove Cemetery, Corry, Pa.

Memorials may be made to the Erie Regional Cancer Center, 2500 W. 12th St. Erie, Pa. 16505 or Albion VFD, 19 Smock Ave., Albion, Pa. 16401.

To sign the guest book or send condolences, please visit www.brackenfh.com.

Harley Reed Wesson

Harley Reed Wesson, 78, formerly of Madison, passed away peacefully at the CCS State VA Nursing Home in Springfield, Fl., on Wednesday, June 18. Harley was a retired USAF Master Sergeant, serving our country proudly for 23 years. He retired from the Air Force and moved his family to Madison, where he then worked as an electrician for Dixie Packers for 20 years.

He was a proud father, grandfather, great-grandfather, uncle, cousin and friend. He loved to spend time playing with the kids, tinkering on projects, helping others on odd jobs, working on cars and fixing anything necessary with duct tape.

Harley was born in Tallahassee, Ala., and then, after starting his military career and serving abroad, lived in various states with his family.

Harley is survived by one brother, Bobby Joe Wesson; one sister, Ada Paravicini; three sons: Ron,

David and Wade; two daughters: Millie and Wanda (and all of their spouses). Harley was blessed with 10 grandchildren, four great-grandchildren, numerous nieces and nephews and extended family members. Harley was preceded in death by his parents, seven brothers and two sisters.

A visitation with the family was held at Beggs Funeral Home in Madison, on Saturday, June 21 from 6 to 8 p.m. A graveside service and burial was held at Elam Baptist Church Cemetery in Tallahassee, Ala., on Monday, June 23 at 11 a.m. C.S.T.

Harley's family would like to extend their gratitude and appreciation to his compassionate caregivers and friends at the CCS State VA Nursing home where Harley lived for the last 10 years of his life.

In lieu of flowers and gifts, please make donations in Harley's honor to Covenant Hospice at www.covenanthospice.org.

Community Calendar

July 13-18

Cherry Lake United Methodist Church will be having their Vacation Bible School beginning Sunday, July 13 at 5 p.m. and continuing Monday through Thursday at 5:30-8:45 p.m., and ending Friday night at 7 p.m. The theme is "God's Backyard Bible Camp Under The Stars." There will be food, Bible study, crafts and recreation. Cherry Lake Baptist Church is located at 1308 NW CR 150 in Madison. For more information, contact Darlene Reaves at (850) 929-2159.

July 14

A first time home-buyer series begins Monday, July 14, at the Madison County Extension Service, starting at 6 p.m. It

will continue on July 15, 21 and 22. Upon completion, participants will receive a certificate that can be used for the SHIP program and Rural Development home loans. To register, call 973-4138.

July 14-16

The Madison County High School JV and Varsity Cheerleaders will be hosting a Cheer Camp for Girls in Pre-K through 8th grade on Monday, July 14, Tuesday, July 15 and Wednesday, July 16 at the Madison County Central School gym from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. The cost is \$40 and the girls will learn cheers, chants, jumps, stunts and more. All proceeds will go to help send the MCHS Cheerlead-

ers to Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) Cheer Camp at the end of July. For more information, call Madison County High School at (850) 973-5061 ext. 5771 and leave a message for the sponsor, Ruth Ann Latner.

July 26

The MCHS Cowboy's Football Golf Shootout will be held Saturday, July 26, at Madison Golf and Country Club, starting at 8 a.m. Entry fees are \$200 per group or \$50 per player and includes green and cart fees and lunch; fees are due by July 23. For more information or questions, contact Coach Ben White at (904) 290-0413, (850) 973-5779 or ben.white@madisonmail.us.

Have something you would like to add to the Community Calendar? Simply call Greene Publishing, Inc. at (850) 973-4141 or email your information to rose@greenepublishing.com.

Thank You!

I would like to thank the Madison County Road Department for removing a tree that fell on Corinth Church Road and Chilkat Road.

Lee Ellison

Memorial Service

Darrell McNealy

There will be a memorial service in memory of Sergeant First Class Darrell McNealy of Madison on Saturday, July 12, at the United Methodist Community Center, located at 135 NE Dill St., Madison, Fl. on Colin Kelly Highway from 12 p.m. until 6 p.m. He is the son of Ms. Vera Williams.

On Sunday, July 13, a Sunday service will take place at Cascade Missionary Baptist Church, located at 3358 SW SR 14, Madison, Fl. 32340. A dinner will be served at the church.

If you want a t-shirt in memory of Darrell McNealy, call Jackie Williams at (850) 929-9950 or (850) 464-8006.

Warrant Officer Candidate (WOC) Darrell R. McNealy was born March 1973 in Madison. He entered the Army National Guard in December 1991 during his senior year of high school and after graduation, attended Basic Combat Training at Fort Bliss, Texas. After completing Basic Combat Training, WOC McNealy trained as a Motor Operator Specialist at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri. He transitioned to Active Duty in February 2001, and in 2004, he became an Air Traffic Controller.

WOC McNealy attended numerous military schools, to include the Primary Leadership Development Course, Basic Non-Commissioned Officer Course, Advance Non-Commissioned Officer Course, Battle Staff Non-Commissioned Officer Course and was attending Warrant Officer Candidate School at the time of his death. He was also pursuing a Bachelor's of Arts Degree in Transportation and Logistics Management with American Military University. His assignments included Fort Knox, Kentucky; Fort Hood, Texas; Fort Rucker, Alabama; and Camp Humphries, Korea.

WOC McNealy's awards include the Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal (6th award), Army Achievement Medal (4th award), Good Conduct Medal (4th award), Army Reserve Component Achievement Medal (2nd award), National Defense Service Medal (2nd award), Iraq Campaign Medal (4 campaign stars), Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal and Global War on Terrorism Service Medal.

WOC McNealy is survived by his wife, Yaderia and his son, Jaden.



Jail Report

Information in the Jail Report is provided to Greene Publishing, Inc., by the Madison County Sheriff's Office. All people are considered innocent until proven guilty. Questions about people identified in the report should be directed to the MCSO at (850) 973-4001.

June 25

Edward Rosario - Out of county warrant.

Quinn Anthony Lee - Violation of parole.

James Richard Anderson - Driving while license suspended, possession of marijuana less than 20 grams and possession of drug equipment.

June 26

Erik Lee Harris - Grand theft.

Michael Shane Smithie - Driving while license suspended.

June 27

Anthony Jerome Powell - Warrant (failure to appear).

Gene Warren Russell III - Violation of injunction.

Derrick Leon West - Weekender.

James Earl Hampton - Weekender.

Shontay Laron Weatherspoon - Driving while license suspended with knowledge.

June 28

Joshua Jerrell Boynton - Driving while license suspended or revoked.

Latre Lamar Wilson - Disorderly intoxication.

Shayon Shonta Straughter - Disorderly conduct and obstruction without violence.

Anthony Tumbling

- Resisting without violence.

June 29

James Lee Godfrey - No vehicle registration, driving knowingly while license suspended or revoked and possession of marijuana under 20 grams.

June 30

Loronya Belafonte Haynes Jr. - Violation of parole (circuit).

Karas Jamaal Williams - Out of county warrant.

July 1

Randolph Aikens - Violation of parole.

Sherry Louise Dagg - Two failures to appear and a violation of parole.

Around Madison County

FLORIDA FOREST SERVICE HONORS FORESTRY PIONEER HARVEY GREENE, SR.

-Madison Forestry Station to be renamed after World War I Veteran Greene-



Photo Submitted By Bubba Greene

Harvey Greene, Sr. stands with his wife, Cora Lee.

Story Submitted

The Florida Forest Service is renaming its Madison Forestry Station in honor of forestry pioneer and World War I veteran Harvey Greene, Sr. of Madison County,

the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services announced.

"We are thankful for Mr. Greene's contributions," said State Forester Jim Karels. "His generosity has truly helped shape forestry and the forest industry in Madison County."

In 1947, Greene offered to donate the land that would later be the home of the Madison Forestry Station. His offer came at a time when land donations were not accepted by the state. Greene then sold the valuable tract of land to the state for only \$350, donating the proceeds to purchase forestry equipment for Madison County's private citizens to use for planting trees and fighting wildfires.

Today, the Florida Forest Service provides technical forest management assistance to numerous private forest landowners in Madison County. In addition, the Florida Forest Service provides the residents of Madison County with wildfire prevention, detection and suppression efforts on more than 400,000 acres.

The Florida Forest Service manages more than one million acres of public forestland while protecting 26 million acres of homes, forestland and natural resources from the devastating effects of wildfire. For more information about the Florida Forest Service, go to www.FloridaForestService.com.



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The new sign that sits outside the forestry station on SR 53 South.

For more information about the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, visit www.FreshFromFlorida.com.

Madison County Sheriff's Office 1st Place In Click It Or Ticket Challenge



Photo Submitted

The presentation at the Click It or Ticket Award Ceremony shows that Madison County Sheriff's Office won first place in the 25 to 40 officers category.

Submitted by Madison County Sheriff's Office

Madison County Sheriff Ben Stewart reports that the Madison County Sheriff's Office, participating with 31 other agencies of similar size and personnel across the State of Florida, has been honorably recognized. On Friday, June 27, the Madison County Sheriff's Office received an award for 1st place in the 2013 Florida "Click it or Ticket" Challenge.

The "Click it or Ticket" Challenge is comprised of four waves throughout the year to remind and educate motorists about seat belt safety and enforcement. The Challenge is much more than issuing citations. Madison County Sheriff's Office deputies also conducted a number of surveys to calculate seat belt compliance in Madison County and collected data on traffic crashes within Madison County to be used in statewide data.

By winning 1st place in the "Click it or Ticket" Challenge, the Madison County Sheriff's Office was also in the drawing for a new fully equipped 2014 Chevrolet Silverado. The winner of the vehicle was the Green Acres Police Department. Green Acres Police Department competed in the category of 41 - 75 officers.

Madison County Sheriff Ben Stewart, Captain David Harper, Corporal Jason Whitfield, Corporal Odell Livingston, Deputy Keith Kirkland and Finance Officer Nancy Curl attended the awards ceremony held at the Rosen Shingle Creek Resort in Orlando. Corporal Odell Livingston was the "Top Producer" for the Sheriff's Office patrol division in 2013.

The Madison County Sheriff's Office was awarded a total of 15,000 points to be used for the purchase of law enforcement equipment. The points are equivalent to \$15,000. Sheriff Stewart used the points to purchase 18 body worn video cameras, six traffic barricades and a set of rechargeable traffic flares.

The Madison County Sheriff's Office will participate in the 2014 Challenge and encourages all Madison County motorists to practice safe driving habits.

See You At The Lake...



Greene Publishing, Inc. Photo By Lynette Norris, July 1, 2014

Lions Club President Tim Dunn brings the gavel down on the final regular Lions Club meeting (the club meets at noon every Tuesday at Shelby's) before the 4th of July God & Country Celebration Friday at Lake Francis. The members discussed last-minute details leading up to the event, including marking off streets the night before the early morning Fun Run and 5K Run that will start off the Fourth in style, in front of Madison Sporting Goods and Pawn. Registration for both races is 7:30 a.m. Friday. The Fun Run is at 8 a.m. and the 5K Run begins at 8:30 a.m. The celebration around the lake begins at 5 p.m. and includes live entertainment on the main stage, vendors and raffles throughout the evening (tools, gift cards and other items - raffle tickets available from vendors with each purchase; tickets must be filled out and turned in at the main stage in order to enter the drawings), all ending with a spectacular fireworks display around 9 p.m. See you at the lake.



The fun will be at Lake Frances. We kick off at 6 pm with the Madison County Boys Choir and then the reading of the Declaration of Independence. We will conclude with fireworks at about 9:45. We will have a great selection of food and entertainment as well as some other booths of great interest. Come and have a great time..

The Madison Lions Club Would like to thank all of our Sponsors, Vendors and Advertisers for their support for this wonderful event. Bringing the community together is what we do one person at a time with our motto, "WE SERVE" Come and have a wonderful time with us and support those who help make this the fine event it will be.



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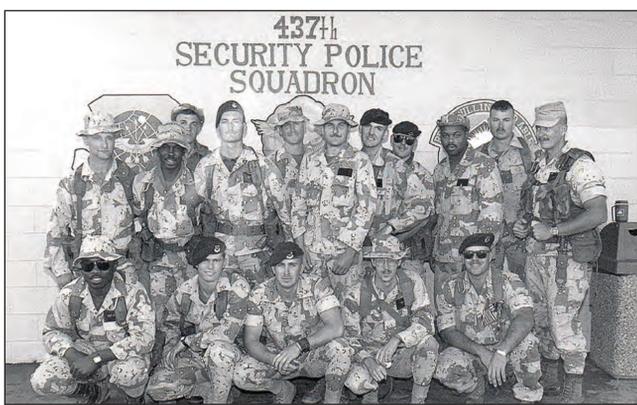
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Happy Fourth Of July

INDEPENDENCE DAY SPOTLIGHT Veteran Ken Parsons



The Charleston AFB Security Police Squad pictured while returning home from the Gulf War in 1990. Ken Parsons is pictured standing on the far right.



Ken Parsons (second from the left) is pictured while getting ready to go to a Senior Non-Commissioned Officer Academy Graduation in 2003.

By Rose Klein
Greene Publishing, Inc.
On every July 4, Americans celebrate the historical day in 1776 when our forefathers took their vision of liberty and democracy and formed a new nation by signing the Declaration of Independence with the words, "created equal, that they are endowed by their creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness." This development of a land where freedom and opportunity is still unequalled in the world comes at a price for those who fight to preserve the vision of the 56 men who risked their lives and livelihood so we can remain free.

Ken Parsons spent 21 years in the United States Air Force in Security Forces, where his job was to provide security for all air force personnel and vital resources throughout the world. Seeing nearly every country on five continents, Parsons says he knows first hand what it means to be free, making the fight to ensure our continued freedom mandatory on



Ken Parsons is pictured while setting up a Trip Flare at Riyadh, AB, Saudi Arabia.

Scathe Mean and ended his career as a heavily decorated officer. During his time in the military, Parsons has been stationed all over the world and has accompanied nuclear weapons on flights in cruise missile programs, fought in drug wars, participated in the Somali conflict, escorted an escaping foreign President and family out of their country, was in Germany during the tearing down of the Berlin Wall and has seen tyranny and abject poverty not present in the United States. When speaking of his time in the military Parsons says, "Having experiences in all the places I have seen makes me appreciate my freedoms more than any other thing could." This 4th of July Ken Parsons will be enjoying his freedom, celebrating much like the rest of us, doing a little work, enjoying some barbecue and watching the fireworks. Because of veterans like Parsons, we can watch the skies and enjoy knowing the colorful explosions is for our enjoyment because the "rockets red glare and bombs bursting in air" has already been done for us.

CELEBRATING FREEDOM IN STYLE

By Rose Klein
Greene Publishing, Inc.
A common sight around the 4th of July is decorations of red, white and blue, and Madisonian Wendy Branch has plenty of them to see. From the large "Happy 4th of July" banner that spans across her home, to the giant flag that waves in the wind, to her colorful, patriotic wardrobe, Wendy shows she is ready to celebrate the 4th in style. Branch will continue her patriotism this



Greene Publishing, Inc. Photo By Rose Klein, July 1, 2014
You can't miss Wendy's patriotic playfulness when seeing her holiday wardrobe.



Greene Publishing, Inc. Photo By Rose Klein, July 1, 2014
Red, white and blue roses bloom atop of Wendy's signpost as Branch's favorite decoration for the holiday.



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Even the Aloe cactus in Wendy's yard looks as if it's waving its "arms" that are decorated with red, white and blue braided streamers.



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Wendy Branch, all decked out in patriotic attire, stands beside one of her largest decorations this 4th of July.

MADISON COUNTY COMMEMORATES INDEPENDENCE DAY WITH FIREWORKS AND MORE

By Rose Klein
Greene Publishing, Inc.
Independence Day, or the 4th of July, is celebrated in the United States to commemorate the adoption of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776, the day we declared independence from the United Kingdom (formerly known as the Kingdom of Great Britain). Today's celebrations commonly include parades, barbecues, picnics, concerts, political speeches, ceremonies and fireworks. Residents of Madison County will have three options of fireworks when it comes to celebrating July 4th. Greenville will be holding its annual Spirit of Greenville fireworks show Friday the 4th in Haffey Hayes Park. Fireworks will begin as soon as it's dark enough to see them, usually around 9 p.m. Bring lawnchairs and blankets to enjoy the show. If you're looking for a little more than just fire-

works, you can celebrate in downtown Madison on Friday, with events beginning at 5 p.m. The Lions Club of Madison will be hosting their annual 4th of July God and Country Celebration at Lake Francis with live entertainment, vendors and raffles. Fireworks will begin around 9 p.m. If you happen to be an early riser, on Saturday the 5th, the town of Lee will be hosting a sing at the Old Lee School from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. In the evening, Lee will hold its Town of Lee Under the Flag celebration with food and entertainment that will lead up to the fireworks on Lake Brittany around 9 p.m., giving everyone another opportunity to catch another pyrotechnic display. No matter where or how far you travel on this July 4th holiday, whether Greenville, Madison, Lee or somewhere outside of the county, please remember to be safe when gathering to celebrate the freedom we all share.

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Around Madison County

Notice To Readers: Injuries From Fireworks In The United States

Story Submitted

Fireworks traditionally are used in the United States to celebrate Independence Day on July 4th.

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) estimates that 8,500 persons in the United States are treated in emergency departments each year for fireworks-related injuries.

Of all fireworks-related injuries, 70-75 percent occur during a 30-day period that surrounds the July 4th holiday (June 23-July 23). Seven of every 100 persons injured by fireworks are hospitalized, approximately 40 percent of those injured are children 14 years and younger, and males are injured three times more often than females. The injury rate is highest among boys aged 10 to 14 years. Most commonly, injuries from fireworks affect the hands (34 percent), face (12 percent), and eyes (17 percent). Injuries are more frequent and more severe among persons who are active participants than among bystanders.

The estimated annual cost of fireworks-related injuries is \$100 million. In 1997, the U.S. National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) estimated that fireworks were responsible for direct property damage of \$22.7 million.

Although some types of fireworks are legal in some states, CDC, NFPA and CPSC recommend that fireworks be used only by professionals. All fireworks potentially are dangerous (e.g., sparklers burn at more than 1000 F [538 C]), especially to children. Because fireworks are unregulated, there is always a risk for injury with fireworks.

Safety tips for handling fire-

works include:

Never allow children to touch fireworks of any kind, including sparklers, even after they have "gone off." It can be hot, or even explosive and debris from fireworks can be extremely dangerous.

Older teens should only be allowed to use fireworks under close adult supervision.

Fireworks must never be used while drinking alcohol or using other drugs.

Obey all local laws.

If allowed in your area and you choose to do so, buy fireworks only from reliable sellers.

Store fireworks in a dry, cool place.

Only use fireworks outdoors and always have a good amount of water close by (a garden hose and a bucket), in case of emergency.

Read and follow label directions. Light only one firework at a time.

Never hold any part of your body directly over the firework while lighting it.

Be sure all other people are out of range before lighting fireworks.

Never throw or point fireworks at anyone.

Never light fireworks in a container, especially a metal or glass container.

Never light fireworks near a house or building, dry leaves or grass, or any other materials that can catch on fire.

Never re-light a "dud" firework. Instead, wait 15 to 20 minutes, then soak it in a bucket of water and throw it away.

Additional information about fireworks safety is available from CDC on the World-Wide Web, <http://www.cdc.gov/ncipc>, or CPSC, <http://www.cpsc.gov>.



Recall Update

CAUTION

The summer isn't the only thing that's hot...several electronic products are being recalled for posing fire, shock or burn hazards to consumers. Read on:

Sony Recalls VAIO Flip PC Laptops Due to Fire and Burn Hazards

This recall includes Sony's VAIO Flip PC laptops with model number SVF11N13CXS. The computers were sold in three colors: silver, black and pink. They have a Panasonic-manufactured lithium-ion battery, a folding touch screen that measures about 11.6 inches diagonally and a backlit keyboard. The VAIO logo is etched on the outer top of the computer, near the hinge. The model and serial numbers are printed on a black label with white lettering on the underside of the screen. The computers' lithium-ion batteries can overheat, posing fire and burn hazards. Sony is aware of four incidents, which occurred in Asia, of computers overheating, resulting in units smoking, catching on fire and melting. No injuries have been reported. Consumers should immediately stop using the recalled personal computers; shut it down, unplug it and contact Sony for instructions on how to arrange for an inspection free of charge, as well as a free repair if needed, or a full refund of the computer's purchase price. The units were sold at Sony retail stores nationwide and online at www.store.sony.com from February 2014 to April 2014 for about \$800. Contact Sony toll-free at (866) 702-7669 anytime or visit online at www.sony.com. Click on the Support tab, then on Electronics and then on Product Support. Once on the Product Support site, click on the Computers & Tablets tab, then on VAIO Laptops & Desktops and scroll down to Product Alerts for more information.

Roland Recalls Digital Pianos Due to Electrical Shock Hazard

This recall involves Roland model RD-800 Electronic Digital Pianos. The recalled product is an electronic piano keyboard that is 55 inches wide, 14.5 inches deep and 5.5 inches high. It is black and has 88 black and white keys. The front of the piano has a control panel with a color liquid crystal display (LCD) in the center. Models in the following serial number ranges are being recalled: Z6D0015 to Z6D0019; Z7D0174 to Z7D0423; Z8D1056 to Z8D1255; and Z9D2131 to Z9D2333. The model number is on the front left of the piano. "Roland" and the model number are in large print on the back of the piano. The serial number and model number are on a data plate on the right side of the rear of the pi-

ano between the XLR output connectors and the AC IN connector. The keyboards retailed in music stores nationwide from January 2014 to April 2014 for about \$3,000. The AC power cord fits into the XLR output jacks and can be connected to the XLR output jacks, posing an electrical shock hazard. Consumers should immediately stop using the pianos, unplug the power cord from the wall outlet and the piano and contact Roland U.S. for a free repair kit or to locate an authorized dealer or service center to have the repair kit installed free of charge. Contact the Roland Corporation toll-free at (877) 339-5494 from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. PT Monday through Friday or email rd800update@rolandus.com, or online at www.rolandus.com and click on "RD-800 Recall Notice" under Support at the bottom of the page for more information.

Porter-Cable Fixed-Base Production Routers Recalled Due to Electrical Shock Hazard

Manufactured by Black and Decker, four models of the Porter-Cable 3 1/4 horsepower, electric, fixed-base production routers and one production router base are being recalled. The recalled routers are about 11 inches tall and 7 inches wide. The top of the router motor is black plastic and has the on/off switch for the router. The base is painted gray and has two side handles, an adjuster ring on the top and a clamp screw on the rear. The side handles on the base of recalled routers have no insulation. The Porter-Cable name and logo are on the front of the base. The recalled routers and base were manufactured from 1990 to April 2014, and about 100,000 units were sold nationwide. The following router models are being recalled:

- 7518 - 5-speed
- 7519 - 1-speed
- 7519EC - 1-speed/has an extended chuck
- 22-7519-60 - 1-speed/ uses 220-volt power source

The router base is model number 75361 and is also sold separately. The model number is located on the side of the base opposite the Porter-Cable label.

The router base handles are not insulated, posing an electric shock hazard. Consumers should immediately stop using the recalled items and contact Porter-Cable for free replacement routers and router bases with insulated handles. Contact the company toll-free at (888) 344-7973 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. ET Monday through Friday, by email at support.portercable@sbdinc.com, or online at www.portercable.com. Click on Important Safety Notice/Recalls, then select 2014 for more information.

The Bush Wealth Advantage

Our column, "The Bush Wealth Advantage" is our way of giving back to the community with all sorts of insights, relevant news, and practical wealth planning strategies.

Test Your Fireworks Knowledge



Stacy Bush, President Bush Wealth Management

In July 1776, John Adams had the following to say about the importance of America's Independence Day:

I am apt to believe that it will be celebrated by succeeding generations as the great anniversary festival. . . . It ought to be solemnized with pomp and parade, with shows, games, sports, guns, bells, bonfires, and illuminations from one end of this continent to the other, from this time forward forever more.

From the very first 4th of July in 1777, fireworks made of black ash were shot off and we have only gotten bigger, brighter, and louder ever since. Test your fireworks knowledge by matching the terms below:

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| 1. Firecrackers | A. Versions include Jumping Jacks and Blooming Flowers |
| 2. Smoke Bombs | B. Cone-shaped device that shoots colorful sparks |
| 3. Fountains | C. Black Cats, M-80, and Lady Fingers |
| 4. Ground Spinners | D. Shots from device with a crackle, flash, or explosion |
| 5. Aerial Repeaters | E. Whistle while taking off and explode at peak height |
| 6. Roman Candles | F. Tubes bundled together to form a "cake" looking device |
| 7. Bottle Rockets | G. Don't generally explode, but does emit a variety of colors |

Fireworks are a lot of fun, but they must be used legally and safely. Know the laws in your city and state before lighting up. Additionally, adhere to these guidelines to ensure all have a safe holiday:

- Don't mix fireworks and alcohol
- Always have water handy
- Don't try to re-light duds
- Keep fireworks away from home, dry grass, and trees
- Don't shoot off fireworks in glass or metal containers
- Don't light fireworks in your hand
- If children are setting off fireworks, always have adult supervision

We hope you had a fun and safe holiday. And, if you have concerns about the safety of your investments, please let us know so we can discuss.

Answers:
1-c, 2-g, 3-b, 4-a, 5-f, 6-d, 7-e

Stacy Bush has practiced independent financial advising in the Valdosta area for 14 years. Growing up on a farm in Donalsonville, Georgia, he is keen to the financial needs of South Georgia and North Florida families. Stacy and his wife, Carla, live in Valdosta with their four children. You can submit questions about this article to askstacybush@jpl.com

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Madison County Parks & Recreation

Will Be Offering Adult Church League Softball This Summer. Games Will Be Played On Mondays And Tuesdays Starting July 14th. Teams May Sign Up At The Madison County Courthouse, Finance Recreation Complex, Monday - Friday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Teams May Also Sign Up At The Recreation Complex, Monday - Friday 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.

The Fee For The League Will Be \$300 Per Team. Age Limit To Play Is 16 Years Of Age. (Must Be 16 By The First Game.) Teams Must Have Two Females On The Field At All Times. League Rules And Team Roster Will Be Available At The Courthouse And The Recreation Complex.

For More Information, Contact:
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Meet The Ladies At The Supervisor Of Elections Office



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The ladies at the Supervisor of Elections office, from left to right are: Alfreda Fiffia, April Phillips, Sierra Akins and Krystal Tojeiro.

By Jessie R. Box
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The Madison County Supervisor of Elections office has four ladies who work there and help the residents of Madison County with all of their needs concerning the election system. The ladies are Alfreda Fiffia, April Phillips, Sierra Akins and Krystal Tojeiro.

Alfreda Fiffia has been working in the office since 2007 and became a full-time employee in 2011. She is the Chief Elections Deputy. Her duties entail overseeing the day-to-day operations.

"I enjoy assisting the residents of Madison County in the election process and working with these wonderful people," said Fiffia.

When she is not working, she spends times with her husband and two daughters. She describes herself as a hard worker, nice and friendly.

April Phillips has been working at the office for four months. She is the Chief Quality Assurance Deputy. She handles the bookkeeping and helps out at the front desk with people who need help with voter registration or candidate applications.

"I like the variety," said Phillips. "Not being stuck on one specific thing and I enjoy working with my coworkers."

Phillips describes herself as a person who loves to laugh. She is married to Bryan Phillips, who is the pastor at Faith Baptist Church in

Madison. During the summertime, she loves to can vegetables and make jelly. When she has time, she enjoys reading and cross-stitching.

Sierra Akins has been working at the office part-time for six months and handles the voter applications, petitions and making sure all forms are complete before they are turned in.

"I enjoy working with my coworkers and seeing the election process," said Akins.

She became involved with the Supervisor of Elections office when she worked as a poll worker. Akins' current hobby is work, because when she is not working at the office she is working at Wild Adventures. She has a daughter who will turn three at the end of the month. Akins describes herself as a person who is always smiling.

Krystal Tojeiro has been working for the office for two and a half weeks. She is a summer intern through Career Source. She described her duties as following orders from Fiffia for what tasks need to be completed that day.

She likes working at the office and staying busy and productive. She also enjoys working with her coworkers. She describes the office as a family environment.

When Tojeiro is not working, she enjoys spending time with her friends and family. She describes herself as hardworking and a positive person.

Next time you are around the Supervisor of Elections office, stop in and say hello to the ladies.

UNITY RALLY SET FOR MADISON COUNTY NOVEMBER 2014

By Rose Klein
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Madison County native John Troyer is pleased to announce there will be a Unity Rally on Saturday, November 15. The time is set for 2 p.m. and the location is yet to be determined. This event will not be connected to any church or denomination, special interest or political party. All events, including refreshments, will be completely free-of-charge.

This Unity Rally is the brainchild of Troyer, who began brainstorming on how to unify the citizens of Madison County ever since he returned to the area 20 years ago. His vision is to bring people together, "to fulfill the part of the Martin Luther King, Jr. dream that he didn't get to see while alive." Troyer says his heart is for the people of Madison to come together as a people in the hopes that all Madisonians can enjoy a better quality of life.

- Some of the events planned so far include:
- Healthcare Booths – to include blood pressure checks, blood glucose checks, cholesterol screening
 - Professional Information – on smoking cessation, family planning, domestic violence related issues, mental health issues
 - Family Agencies – for those needing help with utility bills, childcare, etc.
 - Give-Aways – school supplies for students, produce and canned goods
 - Children's Events – including an old-fashioned puppet show
 - Musical Entertainment – Miss Callie Buchanan, the daughter of former Madison County residents Jerry and Teena Buchanan, will sing and celebrate with those in attendance.

Troyer says he welcomes any input, advice, counseling, criticism and definitely any volunteers to help with the organization of the Unity Rally. Donations toward the event can be given to Madison County Community Bank under the name of John Edward Troyer, Unity Rally, 2014. Any organizations, agencies or individuals wishing to contribute to the rally can contact Troyer at (850) 929-4131 or email at jetz1991@hotmail.com.



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Man With Warrant Flees From MCSO Deputy



Austin Douglas
Submitted by Madison County Sheriff's Office

Madison County Sheriff Ben Stewart reports that on Friday, June 20, at 6:50 p.m., a deputy of the Madison County Sheriff's Office observed Austin Douglas standing in front of KFC on Base Street. The deputy knew Douglas from previous incidents and also knew that Douglas had an active warrant for his arrest. The deputy approached Douglas and told him that there was a warrant for him and he was under arrest. The deputy instructed Douglas to turn around and put his hands behind his back.

Douglas turned around and then fled on foot running in a westerly direction through the parking lot then

south into the woods behind Pizza Hut. The deputy pursued Douglas on foot and requested other officers to respond and establish a perimeter. Multiple deputies arrived and surrounded the swampy wooded area with one deputy still engaged in foot pursuit and ordering Douglas to stop.

Douglas continued to flee on foot and attempted to climb a fence when a second perimeter deputy spotted Douglas. The second deputy deployed his department issued Taser X 26 ECD. Douglas immediately fell to the ground and the deputy giving chase took him into custody without further incident.

Douglas complained of shortness of breath and Madison County EMS responded to evaluate him. Douglas was cleared by EMS and transported to the Madison County Jail.

Douglas was arrested for resisting or obstructing a law enforcement officer and a Madison County arrest warrant.

Man Crashes Vehicle While Eating Chicken Wing



Jose Federico Dominguez-Diaz

By Jessie R. Box
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A Lee resident was booked into the Suwannee County Jail on Monday, June 23 following a vehicle crash, according to the Florida Highway Patrol.

Jose Federico Dominguez-Diaz, 39, was traveling south on SR 51 in Suwannee County eating a chicken wing when he traveled onto the west shoulder of the roadway. Dominguez-Diaz over steered the vehicle causing the vehicle to rotate clockwise. The vehicle traveled onto the east shoulder of the roadway and struck a tree with the left side of the vehicle.

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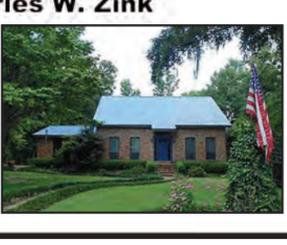
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