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The flood: the hurt and the help

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According to Joy Tsubooka, Santa Rosa County public information officer, damage assessment by state, Federal Emergency Management Administration and local teams has concluded. The estimated total number of residences affected by last week's flooding was 782, with 212 of those receiving major damage, one destroyed and 34 inaccessible.

Businesses affected totaled 51, with 32 receiving major damage and three inaccessible.

Tsubooka said these numbers mean the county met state and federal damage thresholds for individual assistance for residents and businesses. "The governor has done his part," she said, meaning Rick Scott submitted the application for a disaster declaration to the federal government, and now the county is waiting on the president to sign the declaration, thereby releasing funds for in-

dividual and business relief.

On the community level, help is already coming together.

"We are trying to mobilize volunteers," said Kyle Holley, development director at United Way Santa Rosa. "The biggest request we have right now is getting items out of people's homes." Holley said United Way is getting the most requests from senior citizens who need help clearing their homes of damaged material.

Another need Holley ad-

ressed was housing. The apparent need is for those displaced by the flood, but work crews will need a place to stay as well, he said. "This will place a big burden on hotels," he said.

Holley said once the federal government passes a declaration of disaster for Santa Rosa County, FEMA will meet 75 percent of the total monetary need presented, and the county will be responsible for

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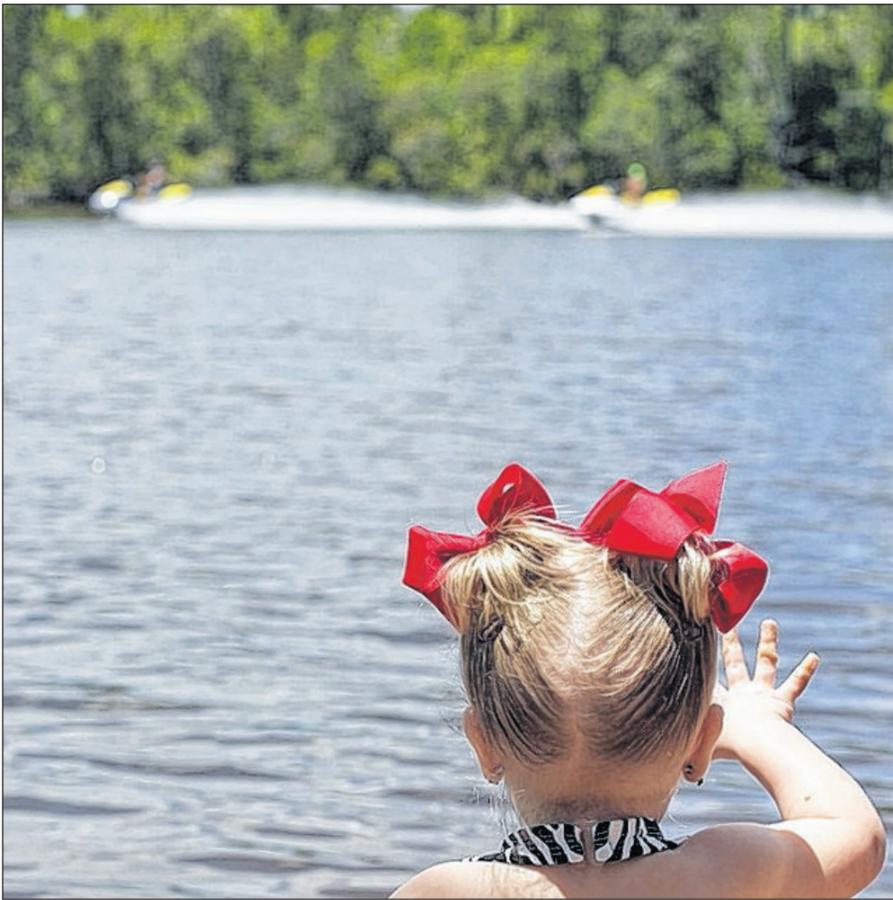
BY THE NUMBERS

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WAVE MAKERS ON THE BLACKWATER RIVER



SOCIAL SANTA ROSA PHOTO

Camden McCarthy of Milton, 18 months old, waves at Jet Skis and boats while playing at Russell Harbor Landing last weekend with her family. See more Social Santa Rosa photos on **Page B1**.

Bagdad Mill Site Park closer to completion

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Construction crews will be busy this summer after the county finishes clearing debris and concrete from the future site of the Bagdad Mill Site Park, said Vernon Compton, project director at The Longleaf Alliance.

Compton said one of the first things going into the park is a multi-use trail and parking lot. Ultimately, he said, visitors can look forward to picnic tables, a fishing pier, a boat dock, a dog

park and interpretive signs explaining significant points of history in the park as well as noting local wildlife. Compton said the Bagdad Waterfronts Florida Partnership has put a tremendous amount of volunteer hours into the park and helped to raise money to see the park realize its potential.

The park's opening will be a milestone six years in the making, from when the Partnership first worked with Santa Rosa County and a landscape architect in 2008 to incorporate community input into a plan for the park.

Milton historic cemetery seeking volunteers for upkeep

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As most Santa Rosa residents know, Milton Cemetery has graves of people who lived in Milton long ago, many who made history, and some who made Santa Rosa County their home, reared a family and were laid to rest. However, located in two plots of the cemetery are tiny graves Bill Bledsoe, caretaker of the cemetery, calls Babyland. Bledsoe said the infants buried within the plot were either stillborn or had very short lives. Some were babies of military families, only in the area for a short time. More recent inhabitants of the plot were babies who were stillborn and abandoned. Bledsoe said the saddest situation to him is some babies only lived a day or so because the mother was on drugs.

"When mothers abandon their dead baby, the hospital sends the body to the funeral home," he

said. "They ask me to bury them, and I donate the plot. My heart goes out to the babies. I cannot imagine people abandoning life."

There are no decorations celebrating the lives, no permanent headstones.

"We've had parents return throughout the years. About a month or so ago, we had a couple who live in the Northwest come, looking for their baby's grave. They sent money once they got home to clean up the area," Bledsoe said.

He said volunteers to keep up the cemetery are few and far between. "We need people who care about the cemetery to give an hour a week. Just an hour — and it would make all the difference in the world — and have a beautiful, historic resting place."

The City of Milton does not own the cemetery, Bledsoe said. It's a private cemetery, and he said there is no money to hire a regular groundskeeper. "We need help."

Chris Escobar's determination wins Maryland

.86 seconds faster than No. 2

By AARON LITTLE
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Hometown racing champion Chris Escobar did it again at the True Street drag racing event at the Maryland International Raceway in Mechanicsville on Saturday, averaging 8.042 seconds in three passes.

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Community BRIEFS

From Staff Reports

Santa Rosa MOAA yard sale

The Santa Rosa branch of the Military Officers Association of America is having a yard sale from 8 a.m. to noon May 10 at 6425 U.S. 90 in Milton, in the Goodyear Store parking lot. MOAA is raising funds for scholarships to help Santa Rosa students. For more information, call Joel Segraves at 994-0818 or Jack Culberson at 564-5207.

Santa Rosa Democrats

The Santa Rosa County Democrats' March potluck dinner meeting will be at 6 p.m. May 15 at the United Way Headquarters, 6479-A Caroline St. (U.S. 90) in Milton. The program will include the potluck dinner and a business meeting. All Democrats are invited. For more information, call Mary Johnson at 225-1725.

Dragonfly concert

The Dragonfly Gallery will sponsor a concert featuring Nicky Mathews and Tim Goudy at 3 p.m. May 17. If you like guitar and mandolin playing and soulful singing, then come to this event for a great afternoon of music. Tickets, \$10 per adult, can be purchased at the Dragonfly Gallery in advance or at the door before the show. Bring a snack to share. The Dragonfly gallery is at 6815 Caroline St. in Milton, across from Main St Café and Post Office Antiques. For more information, call Sally Miller at 981-1100.

Santa Rosa County Bridges out of Poverty yard sale

A Getting Ahead yard sale will be May 23-24. Donations can be made by dropping off items from 1-7 p.m. May 23 or 7-8 a.m. May 24 at Parkmore Plaza Shopping Center. If you have items to pick up, contact Jim Marcombe at 623-4678 or jmarcomb@bellsouth.net. Organizers need volunteers to help set up on Friday, work the sale Saturday and break down Saturday afternoon.

Pensacola Numismatic Society

The Pensacola Coin Club meets the third Thursday of the month. This month the meeting will be May 15 at Sonny's Barbeque, at 630 N. Navy Blvd. Come early to dine and look over door prizes and raffle coins. A coin auction is after the meeting. Club dues for 2014 will be collected. There is no cost unless having dinner. For more information, call Mark Cummings at 332-6491.

Pace Fire and Rescue annual picture fund drive

The Pace Fire and Rescue District is conducting its annual Picture Fund Drive for 2014. The proceeds will go toward their local benevolent fund, which helps displaced citizens and businesses in the Pace area. To achieve this goal, Chief Donnie Wadkins asks for every household within the Pace Fire/Rescue area to support this effort. The drive will continue through June 1.

Congratulations



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Scholarship presented by Alpha Delta Kappa

Madison Barnes, senior at Milton High School, was awarded a scholarship from the FL Delta Chi chapter of Alpha Delta Kappa, an honorary sorority of outstanding women educators. Lisa Murphey presented the gift. Barnes was selected from several applicants for her outstanding student achievement and contribution to MHS and volunteer work in her church and community. Barnes will pursue a career in elementary education and special education at University of West Florida. She is the daughter of Buddy and Shannon Barnes.

Milton Cemetery in need of volunteers

Special to the Press Gazette

Milton Benevolent Cemetery is in desperate need of volunteers for much needed ground maintenance. Clubs, businesses and individuals are all welcome. Within the cemetery are notable historic figures including a Revolutionary War veteran, the first Florida State Supreme Court Chief Justice and the notorious Martha Beck. This call out is for volunteers to show their community pride. Caring for a grave site takes about an hour every two weeks. Weed eaters are a plus. Days and hours can fit anyone's schedule. The cemetery is not city-owned. It is a private burial site owned by the families who have grave plots. There are no funds to hire groundskeepers. Donations to the cemetery are welcome. For more information, call Bill Bledsoe, manager, at 686-1122.

Press Gazette BIRTHDAY CLUB



Jason Ates: May 7
 Marsha Cole: May 7
 Michael Cadwell: May 9
 Jean Schuler: May 9
 Rita Ansley: May 9
 Grace Singley: May 9
 Wayne Garlock: May 9
 Jane Garlock: May 9
 Mara Klee: May 10
 Rose Marie Farhart: May 10

Obituary

Walker Lee 'Peanut' Ethridge, Jr.

1948-2014

Walker Lee "Peanut" Ethridge, Jr., born Oct. 15, 1948, went home to be with Jesus on Wednesday, April 30, 2014, after an illness of heart disease and lung cancer.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Cleo Chessher-Ethridge; and father, Walker Ethridge, Sr.; brother-in-law, Rod James; and niece, Sandy James Pace.

He is survived by his wife of 46 years, Sharrell Ethridge; a daughter, Andrea Raley; son-in-law, Duane Raley; two grandsons, Justin and Jordan Raley; two sisters, Annette James and Ebbie Lee; brother-in-law, Bob Lee; along with a very special nephew, Rick Daughtery. He is also survived by his sisters by marriage, Linda McInnis, Betty Grice and Shirley Crain; and brother-in-law, Wayne Crain.

Peanut was a devoted husband, father and grandfather who loved

his family more than life itself. His greatest joy in life was his grandchildren, who he lovingly called "his boys." He will be missed tremendously.

Funeral services were at 2 p.m. Saturday, May 3, 2014, at the Lewis Funeral Home, Milton Chapel with the Rev. Alton Nixon, the Rev. Jimmy Pittman and the Rev. Lee Bott officiating. Burial followed in Crain Cemetery.

Visitation was 6-8 p.m. Friday, May 2, 2014, at the funeral home.

The family would like to thank the nurses on the second floor, sixth floor and Critical Care Unit of West Florida Hospital for the tremendous care he received during the last six months. They gave him great care but also compassion and love, which we will never forget.

Donations can be made to East Milton Assembly of God "Backpack Club" to assist with feeding children.

The Press Gazette welcomes the Local Society Page

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Going ABOVE AND BEYOND



Everyone at Milton Chevrolet is proud of three fine employees who helped stranded drivers whose vehicles were submerged on Avalon Boulevard last week. These three young men, Jon,

Ryan and Cole, worked until 1 a.m. helping those in need. Cole worked in his bare feet. They pulled 15 cars out of the water, took stranded people to their homes and kept countless others from driving in

this flash flood.

Milton Chevrolet is very proud of their efforts and sense of duty and wants the community to know of their willingness to help others.

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The Santa Rosa County Commission meets at 9 a.m. on the second and fourth Thursdays. The leaders meet in committee at 9 a.m. Mondays preceding the Thursday meetings. Meetings are held in commission chambers of the Administrative Complex on U.S. 90. Phone 983-1877 for information or to reach their offices.

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Pearl Harbor survivors to gather for book signing

Special to the Press Gazette

On Thursday, May 8, "Pearl Harbor Honor Flight: One Last Goodbye," by master photographers and historians Billie and Robert Nicholson, will go on the shelves for the first time in Pensacola bookstores. Kicking off a four-month book tour of this photo documentary, also on May 8, the authors will be hosted by April Stokes, owner of Turn the Page Books, at a premiere book launch reception and book signing at her bookstore, 9105 Gulf Beach Highway in Pensacola. The

reception begins at 5:30 p.m. with a presentation by the authors at 6:30 p.m.

Several of the last remaining Pearl Harbor survivors, with stories and original pictures in the book, are now in their 90s and live in the Pensacola area. They are slated to attend the reception and will be part of the evening's presentation. The 80-page, premium color first edition tells the story of the Pensacola community coming together to make an elderly veteran's dream come true: to return to Pearl Harbor and say

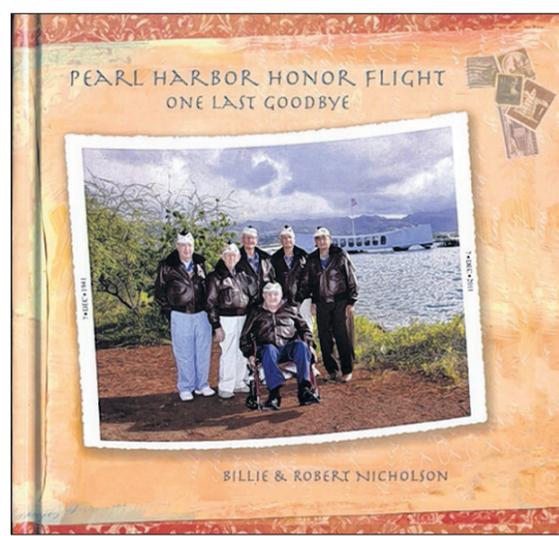
"one last goodbye" to his friends and comrades who were with him so long ago on Dec. 7, 1941. Filled with photos by the Nicholsons of the survivors recent return to Pearl Harbor, the book is interspersed with historic pictures and eyewitness accounts of the attack and pays homage to these military veterans of our Greatest Generation for their extraordinary courage and personal sacrifice.

Author Robert Nicholson said, "The book was designed as a keepsake, first edition, hard cover and lets the

reader visually experience the enduring triumph of the human spirit, making our country great during World War II."

Author Billie Nicholson calls Stokes' bookstore "just perfect for the launch of a historic book of this kind with a 'little shop around the corner' feeling of nostalgia, a real bookstore of the time."

Don't miss this opportunity to be a part of history. Proceeds from all book sales of "Pearl Harbor Honor Flight: One Last Goodbye" will benefit the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association.



HEATHER JONES RECEIVES ROTARY PEN



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Rotary President Rhett Fendley presents the prestigious Rotary pen to Heather Jones with the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Heather told the club of all the work the FCA is doing in local schools and the impact the organization is having on the young men and women of the area. Heather also reminded the club the young people they are reaching today are tomorrow's leaders and how important it is to give them a solid foundation. Find out more about the FCA at www.fca.org, and reach them locally at 474-9322. The Rotary Club meets weekly at Grover T's BBQ and invites everyone to join.

West Florida Healthcare names new oncology patient navigator

Special to the Press Gazette

West Florida Healthcare has named registered nurse Barbara J. Herring to the position of oncology patient navigator. Since beginning her nursing career at West Florida Hospital in 2002, Herring has worked in the areas of medical/surgical, telemetry, coronary care, mammography and radiation oncology. In her new role as patient navigator, Herring will serve as the constant point of contact for patients and their families throughout the continuum of care as she walks them through the cancer treatment process. Some of her specific responsibilities will be scheduling appointments for patients, coordinating with others on



BARBARA HERRING

the health care team about treatment plans, providing clarification about diagnoses and treatment options, serving as a support person and offering information to patients and family members about available resources.

Herring earned her nursing degree from Jefferson Davis Community College in Brewton, Ala. She is enrolled in the Bachelor of Science in nursing degree program at Pensacola State College. A member of the Oncology Nursing Society, Herring has been active with the American Cancer Society, serving for two years as West Florida Healthcare's "Making Strides against Breast Cancer" team captain and "Relay for Life" team co-captain.

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Friday, 11:06 a.m.

This is Bobby. I was just thinking about growing up with all those swimming places around Milton and Santa Rosa County that are gone now. You could spend all day and half the night at Allen's Dam. Now it's all private and grown up with weeds so you couldn't swim if you wanted to. Mossy Hole is private now. The Jim Dandy is all houses. Wayside Park at Pond Creek, you could spend all day and half the night there, but now it's so polluted you can't get in the water. Folsom Beach in Bagdad is all houses now. There were numerous places at Garcon Point on both sides. You could go and spend the day or camp, but there are so many houses, you can't do that anymore. I'm sure I left out a lot of places, but things have really changed. There are no places for kids to swim unless you have a pool or go to the Gulf. Thank you.

Friday, 3:12 p.m.

This is Raymond.

You could go and spend the day or camp, but there are so many houses, you can't do that anymore.

Thank you for the opportunity to say what's on my mind. I'm trying to say that I think Americans in this country still have a tight grip on being prejudiced. I think they ought to realize and look back in history at who were slave owners and warmongers. They've done a lot of bad stuff. There were a lot of presidents compared to one now who's biracial, as you call it, but more look at him as being black. It's time to stop being prejudiced and start being humans and recognize other people as being humans.

Mothers sacrifice for their special needs children

Dear Editor,
As Mother's Day approaches, we are reminded of how much mothers give to make life good for their children. Whether they are working or stay-at-home, moms sacrifice their own well-being at times to provide physically and emotionally for their children. Having worked closely with the families of Special Olympics over the past three years, I am absolutely amazed at the love, care and hard work that goes into parenting a child with special needs. That constant care cannot end when the child becomes an adult; it is a lifetime commitment. Yes, these children are God's beautiful miracles and a wonderful blessing, but I think these moms have a huge job and are many times never recognized or given thanks for it. Local organizations such as Special Olympics and Autism Pensacola, among others, can give families a much needed outlet and support for their unique life challenges from day to day. I wanted to share a letter I received recently from the mother of a new athlete in our gymnastics program that really touched my heart.

She wrote:
"Hello Jessica,
I wanted to send this email to let you know how much I appreciate everything that you and your volunteers do. Last night my daughter went to her first gymnastic practice at 1st city gym. I was nervous because I have taken her to other gyms and it hasn't always worked out for us. But last night, from the minute we walked in, we felt very welcomed. My daughter had fun she was excited and relaxed which is so unusual for her. The coaches were great, they were very patient and calm they talked directly to her and looked at her and treated her like an athlete. And they never asked me once what her diagnosis was and I was so thankful because sometimes I just would like to be with my child not always explaining her disability. My daughter had the biggest smile on her face throughout the practice. At that practice she and I had no worries. She was just another athlete and I am so grateful. I am so happy I've been telling everyone all day at work about our experience and I've cried tears of joy twice today.
"I just wanted you to know how amazing this experience has already been for me and my family and I can't wait for next Tuesday. There are not enough words in my heart that would express how thankful I am for the Special Olympics and the volunteers and coaches."

She signed the letter "Thank-you, Barbara."
Jessica Barrale
Pensacola

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Who cares what a candidate thinks? I want to hear what the candidate knows. What solutions the candidate has for improving our school district.

Florida just suffered from a massive storm system that devastated much of the Southeast was what climate change looks like. It is the nature of climate change that no one weather event can be proven to be caused by it, but extreme weather and freakishly powerful storms are its hallmark. Katrina, Sandy and the polar vortex were all manifestations of climate change. So are the droughts and wildfires out West. Climate scientists now agree, 99.9 percent, that we need action on climate change and that action must come soon (The National Academy of Sciences). Last year, there were 10,833 peer-reviewed climate science papers published, and only two of them dispute the dangers of manmade global warming.

We will see much worse soon, as we have about three decades of carbon dioxide emissions in the atmosphere that haven't even heated up yet. Isn't it time to do something? A consumer-friendly tax on fossil fuels — one that they pay directly, 100 percent, to us, the taxpayers — would phase out fossil fuels without hurting the economy: no government regulations, revenue-neutral, a tax swap. Solar and wind become cheaper than fossil fuels; we use the extra tax money to buy solar and wind energy. As they scale up, clean energy will be cheaper than fossil fuels are now. This plan is supported by eight Nobel economists. The Citizens Climate Lobby has the details. Contact Congress if you want climate change action.

Lynn Goldfarb
Lancaster, Penn.

School Board candidates

Dear Editor,
I have attended several meetings this election cycle, listening to campaign talks about how qualified candidates are for the job they seek. The most glaring fault of most is the overkill of the expression "I think..." Who cares what a candidate thinks? I want to hear what the candidate knows. What solutions the candidate has for improving our school district. Not that it needs much with the exception of ridding

Steven M. King
Milton

itself of federal control. On that point, only one has been vocal about getting rid of the Federal Department of Education: Debbie Ginnoe. On Thursday, the four candidates for District 3 spoke at a forum, and I heard three candidates say "I think." It was repeated like some people add "you know." If I knew, why are you telling me? Again, Debbie Ginnoe is the only candidate I recall that did not tell us what she "thinks." I urge voters to attend these forums; listen carefully to what the candidate says.
Bill Bledsoe
Milton

Democrats trying to hide failures

Dear Editor,
Democrats again want to raise the minimum wage because they don't know how to create jobs. If Democrats could create jobs, the average wage earned would go up naturally with economic growth and not artificially with economic recession, which causes inflation. As an employer, if you have 10 job openings and 300 people apply, you can offer less money. If you have 10 job openings and three people apply, you then have to offer more money to attract more applicants. Obama's administration has no idea what it takes to make America prosperous. Just like cutting \$752 billion from Medicare and saying they had "cut waste and fraud from the program" is like escorting every customer out of the store and then saying you have cut theft. The Obama administration has again proven history correct in that private investment generates money and that jobs don't have to be part of that equation. Solyndra, \$500 million government (taxpayer) investment and \$0 return on investment, along with many others. Investors invest to get a return on investment (economics 101), they won't risk their capital for minimal returns while government with no investment makes the lions share (common sense 101).

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America cannot win with racist attitudes

By GLENN MOLLETTE
Special to the Press Gazette

For the rest of his life, Donald Sterling will be remembered for racist remarks even though they were made in private. Paula Deen and Cliven Bundy will also be remembered for their racist remarks, as will Don Imus. Imus made on air comments in 2007 about the Rutgers women's basketball team. Regardless of all the good any individual may have done in life, it only takes one racist remark to dismantle an entire kingdom.

I thought Joan Rivers really sounded stupid on April 22 when she appeared on the "Today" show and compared accommodations in her daughter's guest room to those the Cleveland women kidnapped by Ariel Castro experienced when they were held captive and raped for 10 years. She was trying to be funny, but bad stuff that happens to people is not funny.

Sterling, Deen and Imus have made massive amounts of money and did not do so out of ignorance. Although Deen suffered financial consequences, Sterling's wealth is in no danger as he stands to make even more profit selling the San Diego Clippers. We need to eliminate racism all around. Black people should eliminate the "N" word and all other terminology that is offensive. There is no excuse for it in music, comedy or professional sports. Racism is not just about African Americans. Slurs made about our Hispanic, Latino and Asian citizens are just as painful. America is now hugely multicultural and is becoming more so almost every day. It's no longer the blacks and the whites. America cannot remain the No. 1 country in the world until we see each other as fellow Americans regardless of race or gender. It will take all of us to solve our issues including energy, clean water, jobs, debt, defense and the endless

list. If we continue to devour and hurt each other, we will destroy ourselves from the inside. Only teams win games. One individual seldom carries a team to a championship. Regardless if it's football, basketball or baseball, everyone is necessary to bring about victory. There cannot be inward fighting, jealousy, hatred and name calling. Such activity divides a team and guarantees defeat. We have to work harder in this country to move beyond color, gender and ethnicity. We must see the bigger picture. It can no longer be the attitude of us four and no more. We must make our circle bigger including all that love our country, abide by our Constitution and pledge allegiance to the same flag.

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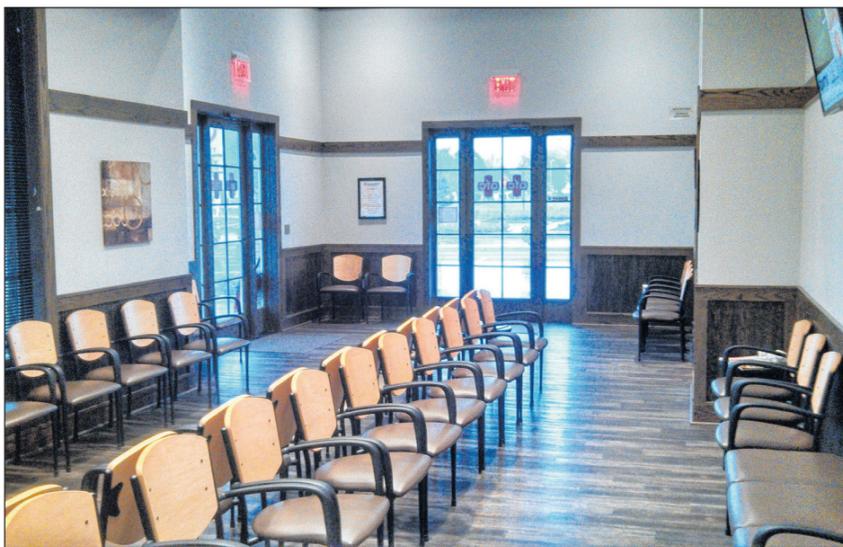
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RIGHT: From left are Jordan Moore, Jayme Tharp, Shelly Price and Nathaniel Vincent. Price, owner of So-Yo, says the shop caters to families, attracting youth and seniors alike with its family-friendly atmosphere. "It's a safe place for kids," she said. **BELOW:** Price says the staff enjoys theme night, when they dress up to entertain customers. Cruise Night found Price in a classic poodle skirt.



So-Yo: Frozen yogurt with a Southern hospitality topping

By AARON LITTLE
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More than the gourmet yogurt will have a delightful taste at So-Yo, "A Southern Frozen Yogurt Shop" in Pace. Owners Shelly and Eric Price said they were such fans of frozen yogurt, they would drive far out of their way to have some. When they found the miniature golf and batting cage facilities on Woodbine Road, Shelly Price said, "It could be so much more."

Two years ago, the Prices turned the property into

a brightly colored, family welcoming frozen yogurt shop and activity center and began attracting neighborhood youth, families and seniors alike. With young people nearby playing with hula hoops, basketballs and the playground equipment, Price said, "It's a safe place for kids."

At Friday's Cruise Night, Price, in a classic poodle skirt, said So-Yo regularly hosts theme nights and invites the Easter Bunny and Santa Claus every year. On Sundays, church-goers looking for a place to bring the family regularly come to So-Yo. Price

said they play Christian rock on the weekends and are mindful of the lyrics in the music they play during the week.

The shop sells yogurt by weight, so customers are free to mix flavors and toppings. Price said So-Yo does not use powder mixes for any yogurts or sorbets. She said Honey Hill Farms ingredients go into tantalizing flavors like the Espresso, Cheesecake, Key Lime Pie, and Southern Butter Pecan yogurts, and Pink Lemonade sorbet. Price said flavors change all the time, but they regularly stock vanilla, chocolate, strawberry and sea

salt caramel pretzel. "People get mad if we don't," she said.

With a firm handshake, manager Jayme Tharp said the fresh-baked cupcakes So-Yo also serves contain no shortening but real butter. Price also said So-Yo caters to those with gluten-free and sugar-free needs. The So-Yo staff is not shy about giving a taste of every flavor because they know one bite is never enough. Keep up with announcements, events and fantastic new yogurt, sorbet and cupcake flavors at So-Yo on their Facebook page.

LEGAL AD FOR DESIGN SERVICES INVITATION TO SUBMIT PROPOSALS FOR ARCHITECTURAL PROFESSIONAL DESIGN SERVICES FOR KING MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HOBBS MIDDLE SCHOOL

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the School District of Santa Rosa County, Florida, herein referred to as the "Board," pursuant to Florida law, is soliciting letters of interest from qualified Florida registered architectural firms to provide design and construction supervision services for the following projects. The main office for all interested firms MUST be within a 50-mile radius of Milton, Florida.

Group A-KING MIDDLE - Kitchen Expansion

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A firm's capability to produce construction documents ready to bid within 120-days of notice-to-proceed will be a factor in the selection process. It is intended that no more than one of the listed project groups will be awarded to one firm in order to insure that the 120-day delivery time can be met on all projects. The Board reserves the right to select which group of projects will be awarded to an individual firm, assuming successful negotiations after the ranking.

All qualified architects interested in submitting a letter of interest may examine current contract documents available in the office of the Assistant Superintendent for Administration, 6544 Firehouse Road, Milton, Florida 32570, 850-983-5123. Do not survey school sites without permission of this office. To be considered, letters of interest accompanied with one (1) original and five (5) copies of your proposal must be received on or before Friday, May 9th by 10:00 a.m., local time at above address, and clearly labeled in lower left-hand corner of the envelope, "Letter of Interest-Architectural Services-King Middle and Hobbs Middle Schools. Competitive selection and negotiation will be made in accordance with the Florida law F.S. 287.055. All proposing firms are to make a 20-minute presentation on Tuesday, May 13th, beginning at 8:00 a.m., and will proceed in the order that the proposals are received. Professional liability insurance is required.

The School District of Santa Rosa County, Florida, reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals in completely or in part, to waive all informalities, and to cancel unfunded projects.

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF SANTA ROSA COUNTY, FLORIDA
BY: Tim Wyrosdick, Superintendent of Schools

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PSC to present 'Sherlock Holmes and the Adventure of the Suicide Club'

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Pensacola State College will present the thriller "Sherlock Holmes and the Adventure of the Suicide Club" May 15-18 at the Jean and Paul Amos Performance Studio, Building 23, at the corner of 12th Avenue and College Boulevard. Show times are 7:30 p.m. for Thursday, Friday, and Saturday performances and 2:30 p.m. for the Sunday matinee.

"Sherlock Holmes and the Adventure of the Suicide Club" is a new stage mystery featuring the famed sleuth in a tale of romance, twists and chills. In the heart of London, some of Europe's most powerful men gather to play a game of murder, known as The Suicide Club. The club's new member is Sherlock Holmes, brilliant, brooding

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This sharp new Holmes adventure is written by Jeffrey Hatcher and is based on characters created by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle and "The Suicide Club" by Robert Louis Stevenson. Cast members are Jerod Perez as Sherlock Holmes, Tyler Cole as Dr. Watson, Troy Forster as Prince Nikita Starloff, Meg Gray as Christiane de La Begassier, Liz Edwards as Club Secretary, Tara Moore as Miss Williams, Robert Gill as Mr. Richards, Todd Faust as Mr. George and Mr. Roundy, Carlos Rivera as Mr. Henry, Saleem Krichi as Mycroft Holmes,

Timothy Chandler as Inspector Micklewhite and A.C. Crosse, Melissa Funk as Mrs. Hudson and Older Lady, and Mary Laveque as Lucy O'Malley and Magician's Assistant.

All seats are reserved. Ticket prices are \$11 for adults; \$9 for seniors 60 and older; children and non-Pensacola State College students; \$7 for PSC staff, faculty and retirees and PSC Seniors Club members; and one free ticket for PSC students with current college ID.

Purchase tickets at www.pensacolastate.edu/mt or at the Lyceum Box Office, Building 8, Room 861, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Thursday. Tickets are also available at the door, one hour before a performance. For reservations or more information, call 484-1847.

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Pardue found guilty

Could face a 200-year sentence

Special to the Press Gazette

State Attorney Bill Eddins announced Friday Lee Calvin Pardue was convicted of Sexual Battery on a Child (2 counts), Lewd or Lascivious Molestation, Promoting a Sexual Performance by a Child (5 counts) and Possession of Photos Depicting Sexual Conduct by a Child (25 counts). A Santa Rosa County Jury deliberated for about an hour before finding the 44 year old Pensacola man guilty of all charges. Pardue had been arrested on November 8, 2012 following an investigation by the Santa Rosa County Sheriff's Office



LEE CALVIN PARDUE

after Pardue had told an acquaintance he took sexual photos of himself with a child. While babysitting one of the victims during the summer of 2012, Pardue committed sexual acts on the child. The images depicting these acts and also images of two different children were discovered on Pardue's digital camera during a search of his home by investigators. These children were able to be identified by sheriff's office investigators, who found both of the victims had been to Pardue's home.

Pardue faces a mandatory life sentence on each of the sexual battery counts, a maximum sentence of life for the Lewd or Lascivious Molestation, and a total of 200 years for the remaining charges. Circuit Judge Marci Goodman scheduled sentencing for June 16, 2014.

Pardue faces charges in two other cases for Lewd or Lascivious Molestation and Using a Computer to Facilitate or Solicit the Sexual Conduct of a Child. Both of those cases are currently scheduled for trial on July 7, 2014.

Assistant State Attorney Stephanie Pace prosecuted the case. For further information, contact Stephanie Pace at 983-4453.

Sheriff's REPORT



AUSTIN, CLAYTON

BROOKS, MICHAEL

BRYANT, CHRISTOPHER

HOSKINS, MICHAEL

KIMREY, DAKOTA

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KOTHMANN, TRACI MARIE

ROBINSON, CHARLES

SALTER, LARRY

SIMMONS, ISIAH

SMITH, DARRELL

VILLALOBOS, JAIRO

SRSO: An arrest is not an indication of guilt. The determination of guilt and innocence is ultimately the responsibility of the courts.

AUSTIN, CLAYTON EUGENE, 52, Navarre, sex offender violation

BROOKS, MICHAEL WAYNE, 54, Navarre, moving traffic violation, out of county warrant, resist officer

BRYANT, CHRISTOPHER DELAINE, 26, probation

violation x3, resist officer, obstruct police

HOSKINS, MICHAEL WAYNE, 43, out of state fugitive

KIMREY, DAKOTA JOHN, 21, Molino, fraud, out of county warrant

KOTHMANN, TRACI MARIE, 34, Quinn Street, Milton, larceny x2

KOTHMANN, SEBASTIAN KORD, 38, Quinn Street, Milton, larceny x2

ROBINSON, CHARLES RANDALL, 28, Pensacola, probation

violation **SALTER, LARRY RONELL**, 35, Pensacola, probation violation

SIMMONS, ISIAH PHILIP, 24, Pensacola, aggravated assault-weapon

SMITH, DARRELL WINSTON, 31, homeless, public order crimes, moving traffic violation

VILLALOBOS, JAIRO RAFAEL, 41, Navarre, failure to register as criminal, sex offender violation

Santa Rosa County Sheriff's Office holds Law Enforcement Memorial Service

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The Santa Rosa County Sheriff's Office Law Enforcement Memorial Service is at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, May 13. This yearly event is held in recognition of fallen law enforcement officers in the state of Florida. The event is open to the media and the public. The event will be held at the SRSO Main Office at 5755 East Milton Road in Milton.

This year Congressman Jeff Miller is the guest speaker.

Fallen Officers for 2013:

- Deputy Sheriff Daniel Rivera of Broward County Sheriff's Office
- Sergeant Mike Wilson of Charlotte County Sheriff's Office
- Master Deputy Sheriff Joseph "Shane" Robbins of Polk County Sheriff's Office
- Sergeant Gary Morales of St. Lucie County Sheriff's Office
- K9 Koda of Leon County Sheriff's Office
- K9 Gus of Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission
- K9 Max of Miami Gardens Police Department

- The following is the VIP guest list:
- Honorable William Eddins, State Attorney's Office
- Mr. James Parker, State Attorney's Office
- Honorable Judge John Simon
- Honorable Judge Goodman
- Honorable Judge John Miller
- Honorable Judge Giraud
- Honorable Judge Hilliard
- Honorable Judge

- Rimmer
- Magistrate Michele Inere
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- Milton Police Department, Captain David Cox
- Milton Police Department Captain Tony Tindell
- Gulf Breeze Police Department, Chief Rick Hawthorne
- Florida Highway Patrol, Captain Lynn Fleming & Staff

- FDLE Special Agent Carl Causey & Staff
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- Crestview Police Department, Chief Tony Taylor
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the remaining 25 percent. However, Holley said the government places a dollar amount on volunteer hours, which will go toward the remaining percentage.

"Churches care and the United Way cares, but there's more to it than that," Holley said. He explained tracking volunteer hours means saving money for the county; and according to Volunteer Florida, Scott's commission on community service, FEMA recognizes the value of an average volunteer hour in Florida at the rate of \$21.24.

Tsubooka said residents who have unmet needs such as housing, food, clothing or other essential services are asked to call the Citizen Information Center at 983-INFO (4636). Residents south of the Yellow River can call 490-6399 or visit the Volunteer Reception Center at the Gulf Breeze United Methodist Church, Fairpoint Campus, 75 Fairpoint Drive in Gulf Breeze, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Those north of the Yellow River should call the United Way at 623-4507. Tsubooka also said individuals or groups who would like to make donations should call the United Way.

"It is vital that all volunteers and groups working in the area work through the Volunteer Reception Center or United Way," Tsubooka said. She said help can be best managed through the organization to reach areas in need fastest and keep from interfering with emergency response systems. Holley said local churches have received information from United Way encouraging their congregations to count their volunteer hours and submit them to further monetary help for county residents affected by the flood.

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Escobar's '86 Ford SVO ran 0.86 seconds faster than runner-up Anthony Leone out of West Grove, Penn. Escobar almost broke 8 seconds for the win.

"Chris is driving the fastest street legal car in the country," said Steve Sapp, general manager of Chris Escobar Racing and Escobar's stepfather. Sapp said Escobar is making an eighth of a mile in 5 seconds, close to an aircraft's takeoff speed without a catapult. "Your typical high-end car you buy is 300 to 400 horsepower. His is 1400."

Sapp also said Escobar doesn't use nitrous oxide, just compressed carbon dioxide shot into the intercooler.

He said Escobar doesn't get excited about the races because he expects to win. Sapp shared a story about car trouble Escobar had before the race. He said Escobar's intercooler, which is behind the bumper, cracked. "He tore everything out, got it welded Saturday morning, put it all back together and won the race," Sapp said. "More than anything else, that amazes me, his sheer determination to be the best."

Escobar's next event is June 12 in Ohio.

Follow these health tips after a flood

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FOOD SAFETY: PREVENTING FOOD-BORNE DISEASES

People should not eat any food that may have come into contact with contaminated water from floods or tidal surges. Commercially prepared cans of food should not be eaten if there is a bulging or opening on the can or screw caps, soda bottle tops or twist-caps. Undamaged, commercially canned foods can be saved if labels are removed and cans are disinfected in a bleach solution. Use 1/4 cup of bleach in 1 gallon of water; re-label the cans including expiration date and type of food. Assume home-canned food is unsafe. Infants should preferably be breast fed or fed only pre-mixed canned baby formula. Do not use powdered formulas prepared with untreated water; use boiled water instead. When the power is out, refrigerators will keep foods cool for approximately 4 hours. Thawed and refrigerated foods should be thrown out after 4 hours.

SANITATION AND HYGIENE: PREVENTING WATER-BORNE ILLNESS

Basic hygiene is very important during this emergency period. Always wash your hands with soap and water. Use only water that has been boiled or disinfected for washing hands before eating, after toilet use, after helping in cleanup activities and after handling items contaminated by floodwater or sewage. Flood water may contain fecal matter from sewage systems, agricultural and industrial waste and septic tanks. If you have open cuts or sores exposed to the floodwater, keep them as clean as possible by washing them with soap and disinfected or boiled water. Apply antibiotic cream to

reduce the risk of infection. If a wound or sore develops redness, swelling or drainage, see a physician. Do not allow children or pets to play in floodwater. They can be exposed to water contaminated with fecal matter. Do not allow children to play with toys that have been in floodwater until the toys have been disinfected. Use 1/4 cup of plain bleach in 1 gallon of water to disinfect toys and other items.

POWER OUTAGES: PREVENTING FIRE HAZARDS

Using battery-powered lanterns and flashlights is preferred. NEVER use candles.

POST-FLOOD CLEAN-UP

Clean up debris carefully to avoid injury and contamination. Chainsaws should only be operated in safe conditions (not in water-soaked areas) and by people who are experienced in proper use. Lift heavy debris by bending knees and using legs to help lift. Wear shoes to avoid injury to the feet from glass, nails or other sharp objects. Avoid contact with downed power lines. Be alert to wildlife (snakes, alligators, etc.) that may have been displaced as a result of the flood or storm. If you see a snake or other wildlife, back away from it slowly, and do not touch it. If the snake is in your home, immediately call the animal control agency in your county.

CLEARING STANDING WATER: PREVENTING MOSQUITO-BORNE ILLNESS

Heavy rains and flooding can lead to an increase in mosquitoes. Mosquitoes are most active at sunrise and sunset.

To protect against mosquitoes, the Department of Health urges the public to remain thorough in their

personal mosquito protection efforts by following the suggestions below:

Drain standing water: Drain water from garbage cans, buckets, pool covers, coolers, toys, flowerpots or any other containers where sprinkler or rainwater has collected: discarded old tires, drums, bottles, cans, pots and pans, broken appliances and other items that aren't being used. Empty and clean birdbaths and pets' water bowls at least once or twice a week. Protect boats and vehicles from rain with tarps that don't accumulate water. Maintain swimming pools in good condition and appropriately chlorinated. Empty plastic swimming pools when not in use.

Cover your skin with clothing: If you must be outside when mosquitoes are active, cover up. Wear shoes, socks, long pants and long sleeves.

Cover your skin with repellent: Apply mosquito repellent to bare skin and clothing. Always use repellents according to the label. Repellents with 10-30 percent DEET, picaridin, oil of lemon eucalyptus and IR3535 are effective. Use mosquito netting to protect children younger than 2 months old.

Cover doors and windows with screens: Keep mosquitoes out of your house. Repair broken screening on windows, doors, porches and patios.

Tips on repellent use: Always read label directions carefully for the approved usage before applying a repellent to skin. Some repellents are not suitable for children. Products with concentrations of up to 30 percent DEET are generally recommended. Other potential mosquito repellents, as reported by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in June 2007, contain picaridin or oil of lemon eucalyptus. These products are generally available at local pharmacies. Look for active ingredients

to be listed on the product label. Apply insect repellent to exposed skin, or onto clothing, but not under clothing. In protecting children, read label instructions to be sure the repellent is age-appropriate. According to the CDC, mosquito repellents containing oil of lemon eucalyptus should not be used on children under the age of 3 years. DEET is not recommended on children younger than 2 months old. Infants should be kept indoors or mosquito netting should be used over carriers when mosquitoes are present. Avoid applying repellents to the hands of children. Adults should apply repellent first to their own hands and then transfer it to the child's skin and clothing. If additional protection is necessary, apply a permethrin repellent directly to your clothing. Again, always follow the manufacturer's directions.

Tips on eliminating mosquito breeding sites: Clean out eaves, troughs and gutters. Remove old tires or drill holes in those used in playgrounds so they will drain. Turn over or remove empty plastic pots. Pick up all beverage containers and cups. Check tarps on boats or other equipment that may collect water. Pump out bilges on boats. Replace water in birdbaths and pet or other animal feeding dishes at least once a week. Change water in plant trays, including hanging plants, at least once a week. Remove vegetation or obstructions in drainage ditches that prevent the flow of water.

For more information, contact your county health department or visit www.doh.state.fl.us or www.FloridaDisaster.org. Also, visit the following websites for other state and federal information on emergency and disaster planning: www.redcross.org, www.ready.gov or www.fema.gov.



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