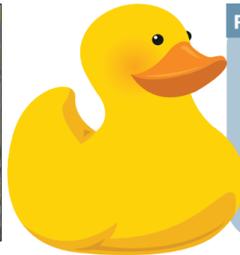


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Hendry found not guilty in soccer brawl incident

By **Stephanie Livingston**

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A former Suwannee High School student arrested on battery charges following a brawl that took place during a high school soccer game earlier this year was found not guilty by a jury last week, according to Suwannee County court documents.

Jared Andrew Hendry, 18, was arrested Feb. 3 following a brawl at the conclusion of a soccer game between Suwannee and Ocala's Trinity

Catholic Celtics.

Hendry was a senior goalkeeper for Suwannee and was arrested on a felony battery charge.

After a dispute over a score by Trinity Catholic during the game, tensions began to rise amongst players in the final minutes, which ended in a loss for Suwannee.

According to a Suwannee County Sheriff's report, Hendry got into an altercation with one or more of Trinity's players. Although restrained twice by coaches and teammates, he broke free

and charged at a player from the opposing team.

A goalkeeper for the Celtics tackled Hendry during the altercation. While on the ground, Hendry struck the goalkeeper in the mouth, breaking his two front teeth in half.

The injured player was taken to his dentist in Ocala, while Hendry was transported to a local hospital to have his hand examined. He was later booked into the Suwannee County Jail.

Hendry was found not guilty Thursday, court documents confirmed.



Jared Hendry

LEGISLATION

Teachers unions cry foul over 3 percent pay cut

State pension plan contribution takes effect Friday

By **Stephanie Livingston**

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The Florida Education Association filed a class-action lawsuit last week as a challenge to a new law that takes effect Friday that will force state and other public employees to chip in to the state pension system.

The FEA claims last month's legislative decision to require state employees to contribute three percent of their annual salary to the state retirement fund violates contractual and collective bargaining rights. State employees have not been required to pay into the plan since legislation that took place in the 1970s.

The local teachers union said while it's not joining the lawsuit, it supports it fully.

"Absolutely, we would love to see this resolved in a manner to where teachers won't have to pay the three percent towards their own retirement," said United Teachers of Suwannee County president Jackie Ford.

Ford said that teachers were told when hired they would never have to contribute to their retirement.

"We are disappointed, we are in essence taking a three percent pay cut to have to contribute

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HELPING OUT A (LONG DISTANCE) NEIGHBOR



Sarah Brown, 22, of Savannah, helps renovate a Live Oak home. - Photo: Submitted

Savannah youth group helps restore local home

Staff

Elaine Owens and her two young kids haven't been able to live in their home for fear of safety concerns. Now, they will get a second chance thanks to a Presbyterian youth group

from Savannah, Ga.

"I am excited and I feel so blessed," said Owens. "They told me they were going to come about two weeks ago,

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www.suwanneedemocrat.com
See video of the associate pastor of the Savannah church giving details on the project. Search makeover.



Jesse Rex

Woman pulls gun on abusive man

By **Stephanie Livingston**

An elderly woman was forced to pull a gun on a homeless man in her Live Oak home Saturday after the man became abusive, reports

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Staff

A handful of supporters rallied around Hamilton County's Bob Burton outside Third Circuit State Attorney Skip Jarvis's office in Live Oak Saturday afternoon.

The Libertarian Party of Florida, who sponsored the event, said Jarvis has been "relentless in prosecuting Burton on wiretapping charges" following a con-

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Bob Burton speaks to a reporter Saturday afternoon across the street from Third Circuit State Attorney Skip Jarvis's office in Live Oak.

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FDLE-Florida Department of Law Enforcement
 FHP-Florida Highway Patrol

FWC-Florida Wildlife Commission
 DOT-Department of Transportation
 OALE-Office of Agricultural Law Enforcement
 P & P-Probation and Parole

USMS-US Marshals Service
 ATF-Department of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms
 DOC-Department of Corrections

June 23, Mitze Lynn McCall, 34, 8082 SW 79th Dr, Jasper, FL, disorderly conduct, SCSO - CPL. S. Senea

June 23, Tricia Ann Klingbeil, 32, 4340 284th Terrace, Branford, FL, vop o/c petit theft, cash bond only per fww, 1st app--pd app per fww, SCSO - CPL. A. Loston

June 23, Marianne Tucker, 31, 7176 222nd Circle, O'Brien, FL, brevard co-vop o/c, reckless drive w/alcohol, SCSO-T. Lee

June 23, Willie Charles Wiggins, 43, 1062 NE Reagan Rd, Madison, FL, vop

o/c sexual battery, vop o/c unemployment comp, fraud, SCSO - SGT. T. Lee
 June 23, David Leroy Nash, 46, 282 Brannon Glen, Lake City, FL, non-support, SCSO - A. Robinson

June 23, Reginald Verdardie Bevels, 31, 5570 Bulb Farm Rd., Wellborn, FL, vop (agg. assault w/dead wep/corrupt by theat), vop (poss contr sub/resist w/o violence/dwlsr, LOPD-J. Roundtree

June 24, Roger Robert Ehlert, 67, 6727 NW 31 Circle, Jannings, FL, ham co wrt/lewd lasc, molest child - 12, lewd/lasc molest chld - 16, 1st app n/pd appt per fww, SCSO - C. Smith

June 24, Jermaine Jerry Alfonso, 26, 3909 Reserve Dr, Tallahassee, FL, expired dl, OALE T Bishop

June 24, Rhyann Reinertsen, 25, 5811 Berta Cir, Tampa, FL, suw co wrt vop o/c poss, mdma/poss -20 cannabis/poss drug para, 1st app n/pd appt per fww, SCSO C Smith

June 24, Daniel Buck Jones, 33, 203 NW Carter Ave, Branford, FL, grand theft iii, credit card fraud/stolen card felony, 1st app pd appt per fww, SCSO-A. Loston

June 24, Christina Marie Brannon, 21, 5017 N Hwy 41, Jasper, FL, retail theft, SCSO Padgett

June 24, Paul Eugene McCune, 48, 8064 213th Drive, Live Oak, FL, battery (dom violence) 1st app pd appt per fww, SCSO-E Padgett

June 24, Stephen Jeffery Land, 33, 4830 NW 63rd Terr, Bell, FL, dui, 1st app - pd app per fww, FHP - W. Smith

June 25, Lorenzo Torres, 19, 421 Lincoln Ave., Live Oak, FL, no dl, 1st app pd appt per fww, SCSO W Kelly

June 25, Samuel Tell Clayton, 21, 12290 117th Drive, Live Oak, FL, burglary, retail theft, 1st app pd appt per fww, SCSO-E Padgett

June 25, Jesse James Rex, 28, homeless, Live Oak, FL, battery (dom viol),

battery on a person 65yr olds (dom viol), 1st app pd appt per fww, SCSO-C. Tompkins

June 25, Anthony L. Smith, 48, 619 NW Rodgers St, Live Oak, FL, disorderly intox, 1st app pd appt per fww, LOPD-R. Fipps

June 25, Rhonda Crickenberger, 24, 2329 Lark Lane, West Palm Bch, hendry co wrt fta battery, 1st app n/pd appt per fww, LOPD K. Kirby

June 25, Diego Reyna Jr, 26, 1310 S Plum St, Immokalee, FL, hendry co wrt fta/batt, 1st app n/pd appt per fww, LOPD K Kirby

June 26, Jeffery Butler, 25, 604 Sumner Rd, Moultrie Ga, poss - 20 cannabis, LOPD-C. Kinsey

June 26, Cynthia Nicole Hayes, 19, 15229 205th Rd, Live Oak, FL, burglary, poss cont. sub intro contraband into cj, SCSO-S. St. John

June 26, Edward Dwayne Reed, 42, 542 Georgia Ave, Live Oak, FL, battery (dom viol), kidnapping, LOPD Kinsey

June 27, Steven Baker, 45, 697 Nobles Ferry Rd, Live Oak, FL, return for court, SCSO - CPL. A. Loston

June 27, Charles Ray Partin, 42, 5709 206th Terrace, Lake City, FL, battery-dom violence, SCSO-Z. Clark

June 27, Christina Denise Smith, 26, 667 SW Bunker St, Madison, FL, vop o/c passing worthless check, SCSO - CPL. J. Stout

June 27, Ernest Ward, 56, 13734 24th St, Live Oak, FL, vop o/c poss contr. subst, poss drug paraph, dwls/r, SCSO-T. Roberts

Suwannee County Fire/Rescue calls for service for June 19 - June 25
Total calls for service: 119

Medical Calls 87
 Cardiac: 7
 Trauma: 10
 Motor vehicle crash: 12
 Miscellaneous medical call: 21
 Altered mental status: 9
 Respiratory: 10
 Diabetic: 3
 Weakness: 1
 Abdominal pain: 5
 Seizure: 6
 Death: 1
 Allergic Reaction: 2

Fire Calls 32
 Structure Fire: 1
 Brush fire: 11
 Motor vehicle crash: 7
 Medical assist: 3
 Down power line: 1
 Tree on Road: 0
 Tree on house: 0
 Smoke Inv: 3
 Vehicle Fire: 2
 Fire Alarm: 4
 Tree Fire: 0

Volunteer Fire Responses: 32

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Summer splash at the Learning Station



Activity Coordinator for the summer splash, former skills USA 2010, Lamica Butler at it again with the fun, games, and food. - Courtesy photos



Having a good time at the Learning Station with the Live Oak Fire Department.

Special speakers



These two young ladies, Breanna Fernald (left) and Kara Rogers (center), were the special speakers at the June 22 Kiwanis meeting. Breanna and Kara launched a special service project to help the tsunami victims in Japan and the flood victims in Joplin, Mo. If you would like to donate to their chosen organization, Samaritan's Purse International Relief, please mail your donations to 13529 CR 136, Live Oak, FL 32060. Also pictured, Kiwanian Steven Schneitman. Courtesy photo

God & Country Run/Walk Second annual event is July 2

The second annual God & Country 5k Run/Walk hosted by Westwood Baptist Church will be held July 2 at the Suwannee County Parks & Recreation fields at 1201 Silas Dr. in Live Oak. The race will begin at 8 a.m. Cost of the race is \$15 per person and you will receive a colorful T-shirt and aid stations will be provided along the way as well as refreshments before and after the race. You can sign up for the run/walk on active.com (race ID 1952086) or the morning of the race from 7 - 7:45. Proceeds from the race will help build a house in Haiti for a family who desperately needs one. Westwood Baptist Church will be sending a team to help build houses in August.

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EXTENSION UPDATE

PulseNet at work to keep food safe

Mary Sowerby, UF Regional Dairy Extension

Does it seem like food recalls for bacterial contaminations (Salmonella, E. coli, etc.) have been on the rise? Your perception is correct. According to a new study from Temple University, the number of documented food-borne illness outbreaks has increased by 28 percent since 1998.

Does this mean our food is less safe to eat? "No," says Richard Raymond, former undersecretary for food safety at the US Department of Agriculture, whose commentary in the September 7, 2010 issue of "Feed Stuffs" is the source of much of the following information. He argues, "The reason we are seeing so many more food borne illness outbreaks, and that they are starting to involve more states, is because of PulseNet."

What is PulseNet?

Developed by the Center for Disease Control and Prevention after the 1993 Jack-in-the-Box Escherichia coli outbreak, PulseNet focuses on two objectives:

Developing uniform protocols for pulse-field gel electrophoresis (PFGE) testing which DNA "fingerprints" many bacteria which cause food borne illnesses, and

Developing a central repository for PFGE patterns at the Center for Disease Control for comparative analysis.

By using PFGE testing, it is possible to identify bacterial strains (like E. coli O157)

that are exactly the same and, therefore, most likely came from the

same source. This helps link what used to be seemingly unrelated sporadic illnesses and identifies isolated cases that are not linked.

Testing for PFGE is now being done in all 50 states with results sent to the Center for Disease Control. Then a team looks for PFGE matches. When found, state and local public health officials are alerted that these cases are actually part of a much wider multi-state outbreak. Then a collaboration of state, and sometimes even international, cooperating labs work to determine the source.

PulseNet began in 1996, with only 10 state public health labs participating. With database expansion and increased interstate cooperation, there is better ability to identify multi-state outbreaks.

In the past only the sources of local outbreaks (usually a common dining spot) were generally determined and meats were usually the culprit. With PulseNet, the list of foods causing illnesses has increased and lately fruit and vegetable produce have been determined a major source of food borne illness.

So if it seems that there are more food recalls because of food borne disease-causing bacteria, on everything from lettuce to apples to peanut butter to eggs to meat, etc., you are right. Be thankful PulseNet is working to determine the food sources causing illnesses, albeit sometimes slower than wished for, as when guiltless parties like the Florida tomato industry were preliminarily blamed for a Salmonella

outbreak in 2008, which was ultimately traced to hot peppers from Mexico.

Those recalls, and the food safety procedures which have been put in place following recalls, are making our food supply safer. So, be not afraid of recalls but glad for a system like PulseNet which is in place to identify food borne outbreaks and track them to their source.

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Solar s'mores



Suwannee County rising fourth through sixth graders had fun with science during a two week course in a faith-based collaboration between the Suwannee County School District and First Methodist Church of Live Oak. The primary purpose of the Enhancing Education Through Technology (EETT) grant, is to improve secondary student achievement in Science through the use of technology and field investigations. In this photo, students are making s'mores in solar ovens at the FPL solar station at the Suwannee-Hamilton Technical Center in Live Oak. Courtesy photo

Thanks from LOP

The Live Oak Partnership would like to extend their appreciation for the support and help the Partnership received to make the 3rd Annual June Bug Festival a huge success. Thousands of people enjoyed the Car Show, Parade, Ice Cream contest, all day live entertainment and the fabulous fireworks display.

I personally would like to recognize some of the folks that worked so hard. Thank you, Hardy Tillman, Wanda Tillman, Ellie Howell, Seana Gentry, Stacey Chauncey, Elliot Williams and of course Barney Everett, who worked tirelessly.

Many thanks to TD Bank, Suwannee Democrat, Harold White, American Auto Body, The Music Center, Wes Haney Chevrolet, John's Lawn Equipment, Grady Automotive, Dairy Queen, First Federal Bank, Napa Auto Parts, Precision Auto Parts, Hale's Auto Body, Dickenson Body Works, Suwannee Solutions, Suwannee Valley Times, Suwannee Graphics, Gill Tire, Town and Country Tire, Furst Automotive, North Florida Printing, JoAnn Martz, Katherine Allen The Tourist Development Council and The City of Live Oak. Thanks also to the Civil Air Patrol, The Recreation Department and the Sheriff's Department.

Without the contributions of these fine people none of this would have been possible. It is a pleasure to live in this wonderful community.

Class Reunion of 1961

The Suwannee High School Class of 1961 is planning a reunion for September 23 and 24. Save the date cards are being sent. Additional information will be sent later. If you wish more information, or have information about class members please call William (Bill) Slaughter at 386-362-1828 or Jean Stewart Johnson at 386-364-1693.

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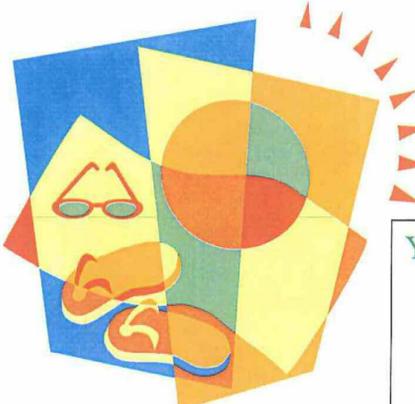
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Jimmy Lamb

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Oct. 19, 1939 -
June 25, 2011

Jimmy Franklin Lamb, 71, of Live Oak, Fla. died at Shands at the University of Florida June 25, 2011 after a long illness. He had been a resident of Suwannee County since 1968 when he became the farm manager at the Florida Sheriff's Boys Ranch. Mr. Lamb later worked with Farmer's Co-Op for 10 years as the warehouse manager before becoming a correctional officer for Madison Correctional Institute and retired with the Suwannee County Sheriff's Office as a correctional deputy.

He was a member of Westwood Baptist Church. Ordained as a deacon of Antioch Baptist Church where he was active in many areas, he later became a member of Orange Baptist Church where he served as chairman of the board of deacons from 1983-1987, taught Sunday School and was a training union leader and was active in many functions of the church.

Mr. Lamb was recognized by Florida Sheriff's Youth Ranches President Roger Brouhard in 2007 at the Florida Sheriff's Boys Ranch 50th anniversary for

his part in helping to establish the horse show arena and horse show held each year at the Boys Ranch anniversary celebration attended by thousands.

He served faithfully on the "chain gang" during Suwannee High School football games for 20 years; served on the Suwannee County Fair Board from 1980 - 1990; Suwannee County Youth Livestock Show and Sale Board from 1969 - 1990 and served as a delegate from Suwannee County to the 1981 Governor's Conference on the Future of Small Farms. He farmed for much of his life until his retirement.

He was born and raised in Madison, Florida, was a 1958 graduate of Madison High School where he was a valued member of the Red Devils' football and basketball teams. He attended North Florida Community College for his correctional officer certification. He was a life member of the Florida Sheriff's Youth Ranches alumni and was awarded the Our Friend Award in 2006 by the Florida Sheriff's Boys Ranch Alumni for his work with the Boys Ranch youth while he was farm manager from 1968-1971.

He is survived by his wife of 51 years, Susan K. Lamb of Live Oak; sons the Rev. Randy (Ginni) Lamb of Brunswick, Ga. and Roy (Trudy) Lamb of Tucson, Arizona; daughters Kathy Lamb Hals of Live Oak and Sherry Lamb (Carlton) Burnette of Madison. He is also survived by his grandson, CJ Burnette of Madison, Fla; granddaughters Shelly Monroe of Live Oak and Katie Burnette of Madison; step-granddaughters Carlena Dixon-Nie and Shaundra Dixon, both of Tucson,

Arizona; and two step great-grandchildren, Connor and Kylen Nie of Tucson, Arizona; sisters Sarah Helen Lyons, Stella (Buddy) Buchanan, Ruth (Terry) Winburn, Linda (Wayne) McCray, all of Mayo, and Lucille (Charles) Sapp of Quitman, Ga., sister-in-law Martha Lamb of Mims; brothers Tommy Lamb, Paul (Dawn) Lamb and Bill (Sharee) Lamb of Mayo. He is also survived by his unadopted children, Tommy (Sally) Bass of Jacksonville, Lester (Mary) Hall of Bellevue, Nebraska, and Tom (Wendy) Williams of Ocala, along with a host of other young men from the Boys Ranch he helped raise and considered his own. He was predeceased by his parents, the Rev. Jack and Mrs. Sara "SA" Lamb of Madison and Mayo; brother Albert Lamb of Mims and granddaughter Casey Joy Lamb of Brunswick, Ga.

Viewing for Jimmy Franklin Lamb was held Monday, June 27 from 6-8 p.m. at Daniels Funeral Home in Live Oak. Funeral services will be held at Westwood Baptist Church in Live Oak, Fla. Tuesday, June 28, 2011, at 2 p.m. with The Rev. J. O. Jackson, The Rev. Randy Lamb, The Rev. Dr. Jimmy Dees and Jerry Lamb officiating. Interment will be at Live Oak Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations may be made to the Westwood Baptist Church Building Fund, 920 11th Street SW, Live Oak, Fla. 32064 or the Florida Sheriff's Youth Ranches, PO Box 2000, Boys Ranch, Fla. 32060.

Daniels Funeral Homes & Crematory, Inc., of Live Oak and Branford, Fla. in charge of arrangements.



Harvey Fleming

Harvey W. "Bo" Fleming
Jan. 30, 1931 -
June 25, 2011

Harvey W. "Bo" Fleming, 80, died Saturday, June 25, 2011, at home following a brief battle with cancer. He was born January 30, 1931, in Freeport, Texas, to the late Marshall and Marguerite Nichols Fleming, and married Kathryn Lois Faglie (now deceased) on April 1, 1955.

Raised in Freeport, he served in the U.S. Army and was stationed in Fairbanks, Alaska during the Korean War. Following an honorable discharge, he earned a bachelor's degree in botany from Mississippi

College and a master's in biology, with coursework completed for a doctorate, from his beloved University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa. After teaching at Delta State College in Cleveland, Miss., he moved his family to Live Oak in 1965, where he taught various science courses at Suwannee High School until his retirement in 1996. He was a well-regarded member of the community, beloved member of the Church of Christ, and a "Galloneer" at LifeSouth many times over. He was a knowledgeable student of the Bible, an avid collector--particularly coins, baseball cards, old bottles and stamps--and a generous supporter of many charities.

He is survived by daughters and son-in laws, Kathy Fleming and Fred Fey of High Springs, Fla., Leigh Ann Fountain and Jon Hunsinger of Live Oak, and Allison and John Gill of Live Oak; 6 grandchildren, Austin and Jordan Sperring, Andrea and Erika Fey, and Madison and Corbin Gill; and one great-grandson, Wyatt Bo Sperring. He is preceded in death by his

brother Marshall Fleming, and survived by his brothers, Jack Fleming of Kosciusko, Miss., Elliott Fleming of Meridian, Miss., and sister Ann Morris of Clute, Texas, as well as nieces and nephews.

Funeral arrangements for Mr. Fleming were held Tuesday, 11 a.m., at the Live Oak Church of Christ, and will be presided over by Elzie Cockerham. In lieu of flowers, donations are requested for Haven Hospice. Sincere appreciation goes to the members of the Church of Christ, and staff of Haven Hospice and Southern Living Care. He will be interred at the Live Oak Cemetery.

Daniels Funeral Homes & Crematory, Inc., Live Oak & Branford, Fla. in charge of local arrangements.

DEATH NOTICE

Angelee Odom

Angelee Odom, 89, died June 23, 2011.

Daniels Funeral Homes & Crematory in charge of all arrangements.

ORDER FOR ELECTION

AN ORDER OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SUWANNEE COUNTY, FLORIDA, DIRECTING THAT A SPECIAL ELECTION BE HELD TO DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT THE SALE OF INTOXICATING LIQUORS, WINES OR BEER CONTAINING MORE THAN 6.243 PERCENT OF ALCOHOL BY VOLUME SHALL BE PROHIBITED IN SUWANNEE COUNTY AND IF NOT PROHIBITED, DETERMINE THE METHOD OF SALE.

WHEREAS, on June 21, 2011, petitions were filed with the Board of County Commissioners of Suwannee County, Florida (hereafter called "Board"), bearing the signatures of one-fourth, and more, of the registered voters of said County, along with a certificate of examination and validation of the signatures by the Supervisor of Elections of said County; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid petitions requested the Board to order an election to determine the following two questions:

1. To decide whether the sale of intoxicating liquors, wines, or beer containing more than 6.243 percent of alcohol by volume shall be prohibited or permitted in Suwannee County, Florida; and
2. To decide whether the sale of intoxicating liquors, wines, or beer, if permitted, shall be limited to sales by the package as defined in Section 567.01 F.S. or whether sales by the drink on the premises, as well as by the package, may be permitted.

WHEREAS, Section 567.04, Florida Statutes, provides, "All elections ordered under this chapter shall be held within 60 days from the time of presenting such application, but if any such election should thereby take place within 60 days of any state or national election, it shall be held within 60 days after any such state or national election"; and

WHEREAS, said Petition was presented to the Board of County Commissioners during a regular meeting.

It is therefore:

ORDERED, that the foregoing recitals ("Whereas" paragraphs) are legislative findings of fact; and, it is further

ORDERED, pursuant to Section 567.01, Florida Statutes, that an Election shall be held on Tuesday, August 16, 2011, to determine whether or not the sale of intoxicating liquors, wines or beer containing more than 6.243 percent alcohol by volume shall be prohibited in Suwannee County, and if not prohibited determine the method of sale; and it is further

ORDERED, that the aforesaid election shall be a "polling place election" as provided under Chapter 100, Florida Statutes, and related Florida Statutes; and, said election shall not be a "Mail Ballot Election" as provided under Section 101.6101, Florida Statutes; and, it is further

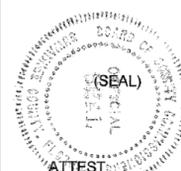
ORDERED, that the Supervisor of Elections for said County is hereby directed to hold and conduct the aforesaid election in accordance with the manner prescribed by law for holding general elections, as provided in Section 567.03, Florida Statutes; and it is further

ORDERED, that, in accordance with Section 567.01(5), Florida Statutes, the Clerk of this Board shall cause a copy of this Order for Election to be published for four (4) consecutive weeks in The Suwannee Democrat, a newspaper of general circulation published at Live Oak, Florida, beginning with the issue of that newspaper on June 29, 2011; and it is further

ORDERED, the ballot to be used in this election shall be in the form required by Section 567.06(1) Florida Statutes.

DONE AND ORDERED at Live Oak, in Suwannee County, Florida, on June 21, 2011.

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OF SUWANNEE COUNTY, FLORIDA



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BEST OF THE BEST

Keri Shaw obtained her Bachelors of Science from the University of Florida and her Masters of Science in Occupational Therapy from the University of St. Augustine. Upon graduation, she joined the rehab department at Surrey Place as their occupational therapist. At Surrey Place, Keri was involved with the development of a cognitive intervention program that addresses the specific needs of the residents with dementia while providing meaningful activities to enhance their quality of life. In the near future, she hopes to become a dementia care specialist and certified in lymphedema management.



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3. Take public control of Dowling House
4. Reduce duplication of effort by city/county offices and agencies
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THE SUWANNEE SCRIBBLER

I pledge allegiance...

By Jim Holmes

By now, I suspect you have read, heard or seen something about the NBC faux pas where the network deleted the words "under God" from the Pledge of Allegiance. But just in case you have been cave spelunking nonstop for the past couple of weeks, I'll explain that the deletions were in a couple of spots aired during the broadcaster's recent US Open coverage.

It's easy to find critics suggesting something intentionally unpatriotic about the NBC deletions... particularly since they view the network's cable news operation as a bastion for anti-American liberalism. I have my doubts. After all, "indivisible" and "one nation" were also left out of one or the other of the two spots. As an experienced tape editor, I suspect the edits were primarily about timing.

At any rate, with Independence Day just around the corner, I thought you might be interested in a little bit of our Pledge's history. It was written in the late 19th Century by a Baptist minister named Francis Bellamy. His stated intent was to create a public declaration that would promote patriotism, while guarding against radicalism and subversion. Remember, in the late 1800s, memories of the American Civil War were still fresh in the minds of many.

It can be argued however, the pledge first appeared in print more for commercial than patriotic reasons. Marketing whiz James Upham included it in his September 8, 1892 issue of a youth magazine he published to be read in the classroom. Meanwhile, he also campaigned to have officials require that the pledge be recited before a US flag in schools across the nation. And by the way, if you needed more magazines for your kids to use---or flags for them to salute---well, Upham had plenty to sell.

As for the original Bellamy pledge? It went like this; "I pledge allegiance to my flag and the republic for which it stands; one nation indivisible, with liberty and justice for all." That was it! By the way, there was also a so-called Bellamy Salute to go with the recitation. Individuals extended their right arm out and slightly elevated. The hand's palm was down and fingers extended. Not surprisingly, that salute was replaced with the right hand over the heart shortly after the US went to war with the Nazis.

Another interesting fact about the early pledge is that Bellamy initially wanted it to include the words "equality" and "fraternity." He dropped the idea fearing many education leaders of the day would oppose their use out of fear their inclusion would promote the idea of equality for both women and blacks. Heavens to Betsy!!!

In one form or another, the pledge was around for decades before finally being elevated to its current lofty status. Congress officially adopted its use in June, 1942. In 1948, Louis Bowman, a leader in the Sons of the American Revolution, launched an effort to have the words "under God" added. He argued, if the phrase was important enough for Lincoln to spontaneously insert in his Gettysburg Address; it warranted being a part of our Pledge. While not everyone agrees those were Lincoln's exact words, others joined the campaign and the change became law in 1954. The timing seemed particularly fitting to many, who at the time feared a government take-over from within by godless Communists.

Ironically, while the Pledge is now as American as---well, apple pie---I doubt it could be adopted in the bitterly partisan political atmosphere of today. After all, anything Bellamy proposed would be viewed with suspicion by some. You see, this New York preacher was also an ardent Christian Socialist.

Jim Holmes lives in Live Oak

OPINION

Ignorance, stupidity or manipulation

By Walter E. Williams

Rep. Charlie Rangel, D-N.Y., referring to his race and the Constitution on John Stossel's recent show "The State Against Blacks," said, "I wasn't even considered three-fifths of a guy." The Rev. Al Sharpton, debating on Sean Hannity's show, said, "Any black, at any age at any stage, was three-fifths of a human." Even eminent historian John Hope Franklin charged the

Founders with "degrading the human spirit by equating five black men with three white men." Statements such as those either represent ignorance or are part of the leftist agenda to demean the founding principles of our nation by portraying the nation's Founders as racists. Let's look at the origin of the three-fifths clause.

Northern delegates to the 1787 Constitutional Convention and those opposed to slavery wished to count only free people of each state for the purpose of representation in the House of Representatives and the Electoral College. Southerners wanted to count slaves just as any other person. By counting slaves, who didn't have a right to vote, slave states would have had greater representation in the House and the Electoral College. If slaveholding states could not have counted slaves, the Constitution would not have been ratified and there would not be a union. The compromise was for slaves to be counted as three-fifths of a person in deciding representation in the House and Electoral College. The compromise reduced the power of slave states relative to the South's original proposal but increased it over the North's original proposal.

My questions for those who condemn the three-fifths compromise are: Would blacks have been better off if slaves had been counted as a whole person? Should the North not have compromised at all and a union not have come into being? Would Rangel and Sharpton have agreed with Southerners at the Constitutional Convention, who argued slaves should "stand on an equality with whites" in determining congressional representation and Electoral College votes? Abolitionist Frederick Douglass understood the compromise, saying that the three-fifths clause was "a downright disability laid upon the slaveholding states" that deprived them of "two-fifths of their natural basis of repre-



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BY WALTER WILLIAMS

sentation."

Patrick Henry acknowledged reality, saying, "As much as I deplore slavery, I see that prudence forbids its abolition." With the union created, Congress at least had the power to abolish slave trade in 1808. James Wilson believed the anti-slave-trade clause laid "the foundation for banishing slavery out of this country."

Other Founders condemned slavery. George Washington said, "There is not a man living who wishes more sincerely than I do to see a plan adopted for the abolition of it." John Adams: "Every measure of prudence ... ought to be assumed for the eventual total extirpation of slavery from the United States. ... I have, throughout my whole life, held the practice of slavery in ... abhorrence." James Madison: "We have seen the mere distinction of color made in the most enlightened period of time, a ground of the most oppressive dominion ever exercised by man over man." James Otis said, "The colonists are by the law of nature freeborn, as indeed all men are, white or black." Benjamin Franklin: "Slavery is ... an atrocious debasement of human nature." Franklin, after visiting a black school, also said, "I ... have conceived a higher opinion of the natural capacities of the black race than I had ever before entertained." Alexander Hamilton's judgment was the same: "Their natural faculties are probably as good as ours." John Jay wrote: "It is much to be wished that slavery may be abolished. The honour of the States, as well as justice and humanity, in my opinion, loudly call upon them to emancipate these unhappy people. To contend for our own liberty, and to deny that blessing to others, involves an inconsistency not to be excused."

Here's my hypothesis about people who use slavery to trash the Founders: They have contempt for our constitutional guarantees of liberty. Slavery is merely a convenient moral posturing tool as they try to reduce respect for our Constitution.

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FACEBOOK POLL QUESTION

The Suwannee Democrat asked Facebook fans the following on June 17:

Where do you stand on Suwannee County going wet?

As of June 27, the results were:

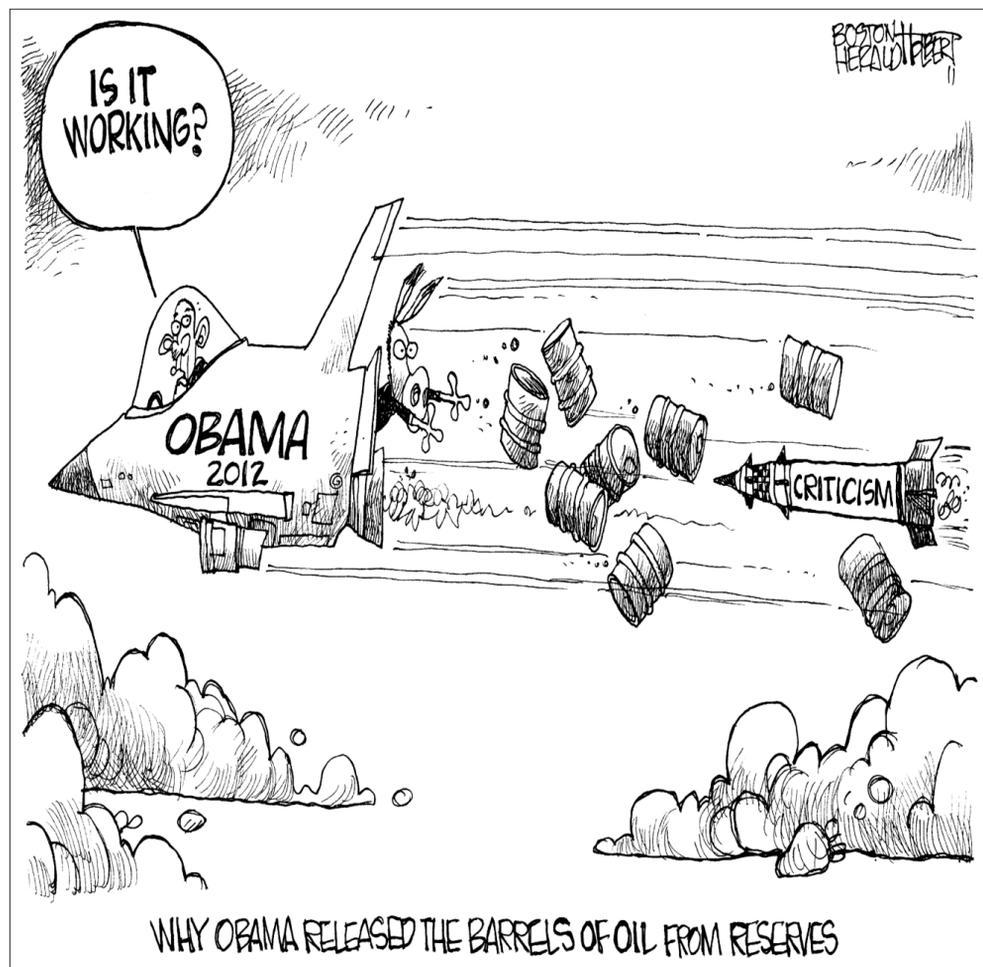
Go wet: 153

Stay dry: 25

On the fence: 6

This week's question:

Will you be casting a vote on Aug. 16 regarding the wet/dry issue in Suwannee County?



BIBLE VERSE

The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead he is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance. **2 Peter 3:9 NIV**

Please address letters to: Letters To The Editor, Suwannee Democrat, PO Box 370, Live Oak, FL 32064.

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Summer program at Branford Library running full speed



Julie Dees helps students figure out how to fill in the numbers on their budgets. - Photo: Joyce Marie Taylor

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One World, Many Stories is off to a rousing start at Branford Library. The You Are Here! Teens program brought in about 21 kids on Wednesday June 22, who came to learn all about money matters.

Who better to address these teenagers on the subject of money than two representatives from Capital City Bank in Branford. Teresa Kelley, market leader and Erin Morris,



Branford Public Library

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O'BRIEN AND OUR NEIGHBORS

"Bits & Pieces"

By Ana Smith



Congratulations to Jeff Waters in his promotion to editor of the Suwannee Democrat and its affiliate newspapers. I look forward to a continuing relationship with the Democrat and with Jeff.

If there is one thing I can say about getting ready for this family reunion, my house is cleaner than it's ever been! With over a dozen people staying here with me from June 24 through the 30th, it was necessary to clean out closets, dressers, every nook and cranny, and my screened area/carport! Whew, has this been a hectic couple of months! I really thought I had gotten rid of all the "stuff" last year at the last flea market in Lake City, but you'd never know it!! At least it's finally done, and the only thing left to do is give the yard one final mowing.

And as hot as it's been, I was concerned about how this heat was going to affect everyone, but last night and this morning I received e-mails say, "Don't sweat it, Auntie. Pun intended! With the miserable cold weather we've had this past winter, we are looking forward to the heat, no matter how high. Just show us the way to the river, and we'll be fine!!" That's a consolation, for sure! And this is from the teenagers and my nieces, mostly. I'll just have to make sure they drink plenty of water and have lots of sunblock on hand, and keep an eye that they don't overdo while experiencing the outdoors.

All my attempts to work outside have been cut short by 11 a.m. because of not only the heat index, but by the humidity. I feel as if I'd been working in a furnace, so the work has been very slow. On the other hand, I've got a pretty good tan to show off when my family gets here! I've been one of those folks praying for rain, only right now I'm praying the expected rain in the next couple of days holds off until next week so we can have fun and enjoy the outdoors together.

I've had one phone call from a friend about another friend suffering from heat stroke last week after working outside most of one day. Even with protection, long sleeves, jeans and a hat, it proved to be too much, and the individual was taken to the emergency room. If you want to work outside, please take every precaution to do it early in the morning and late afternoon and early evening when the sun has moved away enough that you're not setting yourself up for serious problems. Drinking plenty of water isn't enough, you need to get out of the sun and the heat! Believe me, what ever you think MUST be done, can wait and be strung over a few days. In the temperatures we've been experiencing this past week, up in the very high 90s and low 100s you dehydrate so quickly you don't realize what's happening until you get dizzy and sick. Please take care!

My little tiger-striped kitten, the one dumped at my mailbox, is doing extremely well, and is ready for a good "forever" home. If you are looking for a kitten to adopt, please give me a call. And the last one that was brought to me, only about two weeks old, is not off bottle-feeding and doing really well. He's house-broken himself, eats like one of the "big kitties", loves to be held, and will be ready to go to a good home in another two weeks. Folks, please, if you have unwanted cats and/or their litters, DO NOT JUST DUMP THEM OFF SOMEWHERE EXPECTING SOMEONE WILL TAKE THEM IN! If things had not worked out as well as they did, Tiger would have been run over by my mailman. Call the county animal control, please! And (June 21) I met one of the animal control officers in Walmart with a puppy he rescued from the back of a pick-up truck left there in this high heat with no protection and no water. Don't take your pet with you if you know

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Branford River Reunion is July 4

Staff

Branford - The Branford River Reunion is back in its 33rd year to celebrate America's independence.

The festivities begin at 12 p.m. Monday, July 4, with opening ceremonies at Hatch Park.

The Reunion features something for the entire family - live entertainment throughout the day, arts, crafts, food vendors and of course, the famous Branford Rotary Duck Race at 2 p.m. at Ivey Park.

"The Branford River Reunion Committee is hoping that you will come out and celebrate the Fourth of July with the Branford community," said Peggy Terry, secretary/treasurer for the Reunion. "The day is filled with a lot of activities."

One of the highlights of the event is the annual patriotic pet contest. Dress up your furry friend in patriotic attire. Sign up at Hatch Park at noon, judging to follow at 12:30.

The Bedrock Derby Race begins at 1 p.m. at Ivey park. Sign-ups are at 12 p.m.

A spectacular fireworks show ends the festivities beginning at 9:30 p.m. at Hatch Park.

The Branford River Reunion would like to thank the following sponsors for their support each year: Suwannee County Tourist Development, Suwannee American Cement, S & S and Scaffs Market, Rotary Club of Branford, Town of Branford and Lafayette State Bank.

Schedule of events for the Reunion

- 12 p.m. Opening Ceremony- Hatch Park
Sign up Pet Contests- Hatch Park
Sign up Bedrock Derby- Ivey Park
12:30 Pet Contest Judging- Hatch Park.
Sponsored by Lafayette State Bank
1 p.m. Bedrock Derby Race- Ivey Park
2 p.m. Rotary Club Duck Race- Ivey Park
3 p.m. Chalk mural, jump rope and hula hoop- Hatch Park
5 p.m. Line Up for the parade- Buccaneer Stadium
6 p.m. Parade
9:30 p.m. Fireworks- Hatch Park.
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Local businesses in downtown Branford are already gearing up for Branford River Reunion. - Photo: Joyce Marie Taylor

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Summer program at Branford Library running full speed

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personal banker, got the brains churning on these kids as they endeavored to prepare a budget for an imaginary party.

Morris instructed the kids how to prepare their budget by figuring out income versus expenses. They were then grouped into threes to brainstorm and come up with a workable budget for their party.

The teens in attendance were a group from 21st Century Community Learning Center, which has been operating under a five-year grant. Julie Dees, a Culinary Arts Instructor at BHS is their instructor for the summer. Most of the teens are incoming 6th graders, but others ranged in age group up to 11th grade.

At the end of July all the teens in the group will be going on an outing to St. Augustine for an educational and fun day.

The next You Are Here Teens! program is today, where the kids will learn about portion control. For more information stop by the library or give them a call at 386-935-1556.



Teresa Kelley (left) and Erin Morris explain how to prepare a budget. - Photos: Joyce Marie Taylor

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they'll have to be left in your vehicle. If it's hot for you, it's even hotter for them in their fur coats.

The 4th of July promises lots of activities in our county, and Branford is gearing up for another great celebration. Come on down, take part, check out the various booths, and don't forget to come by the O'Brien Tea Party barbecue - chicken and pork dinners - and listen

to more good entertainment. We'll be at a house near the park, so look for our signs. Lots of fun to be had, and fireworks in the evening, so COME ON DOWN!!

Because I've been focused on our family reunion this past week I don't have much local news to add. Remember, enjoy the summer fun, but don't take chances with your health! Be careful! God bless!

Branford All-Stars scenes, Sports Pages 4-5B

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Monday afternoon collision



The driver of this van suffered severe head injuries following a collision with a semi and trailer Monday afternoon, Public Safety Director Charlie Conner said. The wreck happened around 3 p.m. at the exit ramp at US 129 North and I-10. The driver of the semi was not injured. Photo: Stephenie Livingston

The city of Live Oak helps a town in need

Just days after the EF5 tornado devastated the small town of Hackleburg, Alabama, the city of Live Oak started organizing a relief effort.

That relief effort was headed by the city of Live Oak Fire Department.

LOFD organized numerous fundraisers, food drives and clothing donations. With the Live Oak Police Department, local churches, organizations, businesses and caring citizens, there was an enormous amount of donations taken in, in-

cluding \$4,500 in cash, which was used to purchase essential items for the town's people. So much in fact, U-Haul donated a 26 foot box truck to haul everything. On June 13, two members from the LOFD drove the U-Haul

475 miles to Hackleburg. The truck was unloaded at the town's distribution center. The town's people said Live Oak's donation was one of the biggest they had received yet. The relief effort was such a huge success due to the caring people of Suwannee County. A special thank you goes out to everyone for supporting fellow Americans.

Special thanks to: Woman's Club of Live Oak, Publix, Winn-Dixie, Lowe's, U-Haul and to all those who wished to stay anonymous.



Rally for supposed whistleblower draws small crowd

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Conversation with Ryan Tyson, former chief of staff for Florida Senator Charlie Dean, R-Inverness. Burton said the recorded conversation contained statements from Ryan implicating state officials in what Burton said were illegal activities. Burton published a video containing the conversation on YouTube, which was

later removed from the website.

Burton, who stated he is a deadhead logger, had told the *Suwannee Democrat* in January that he happened upon illegal activities by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, specifically the dumping of toxic waste into protected areas.

"I just want everyone held accountable just like

we were when we started this," said Burton.

Hamilton County resident Bill Ryan is a supporter of Burton.

"You don't want to blow the whistle, but you do want to blow the whistle. So what happens when you do blow the whistle? The example ... " Ryan said motioning to Burton.

Due to pending prosecution on the case, Jarvis refrained from comment.

Man nabbed after marijuana grow house discovery

36 pot plants confiscated

By Stephenie Livingston
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Curtis Duggan

A Live Oak man was arrested recently after local authorities discovered a grow house containing more than two dozen cannabis plants, reports show.

The residence of Curtis L. Duggan, 53, at 9922 132nd Street, was searched June 22 by the Suwannee County Sheriff's Office who discovered the plants growing in separate containers inside and outside the premises, according to jail reports. A total of 36 plants were recovered, in addition to plastic bags containing loose cannabis plant material. The grow operation was also equipped with five fluorescent lights, liquid fertilizer, weighing scales and cannabis drying lines.

Duggan was also found to be in possession of drug paraphernalia, reports show. He was arrested and transported to the Suwannee County Jail. Duggan faces charges of possession of a grow house with more than 25 cannabis plants, manufacture of cannabis, possession of more than 20 grams of cannabis and possession of drug paraphernalia.

NOTICE

Effective July 1, 2011, the Suwannee County Health Department Branford clinic will be closing. All services will continue at 915 Nobles Ferry Road in Live Oak. Appointments can be made at the Live Oak office by calling 386-362-2708. Closure of the Branford clinic is due to state budget cuts and is necessary so that the Suwannee County Health Department can prioritize limited resources.

Woman pulls gun on abusive man

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show.

Jesse James Rex, 28, homeless, arrived at the residence of an elderly woman last Wednesday asking for a place to stay, according to jail documents. The defendant's relationship with the woman is unclear. He was allowed to sleep on the couch, but later asked to leave when

he started drinking.

Rex left, but returned on Saturday when reports show an altercation occurred. During the altercation, Rex stated in a threatening tone that "nobody would be here come Monday." After he was asked to leave, Rex pushed the woman who told authorities she was in fear for her life. She pulled a gun on him, which he grabbed and

tossed aside. Rex then pinned the woman against a wall and pushed her face onto a wall of the home.

Others confirmed the woman's story upon investigation according to reports.

Rex was transported to the Suwannee County Jail where he faces charges of battery (domestic violence) and battery on a person 65 or older (domestic violence).

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Teachers unions cry foul over 3 percent pay cut

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to our retirement," she said. State workers view the new legislation as government going back on its word, said Suwannee School Board member Jerry Taylor.

"I understand balancing the budget, but balancing the budget on the backs of teachers, policemen and firefighters isn't right," Taylor said.

Many who hold these jobs have not had raises in years and see the contribution rather as a tax or pay cut. This was evident last week when the Florida Police Benevolent Association filed a motion to join the suit by Florida's teachers. Eleven other plaintiffs have also been named.

Live Oak Police Chief Buddy Williams said it's mostly correctional officers from the PBA who have

joined together in the lawsuit, and said he doesn't mind chipping in.

"For me personally, I don't mind contributing to my pension plan," he said.

Williams was at a conference Tuesday morning to learn more on the matter.

City of Live Oak Finance Director Jan Parkhurst said those who rely on a state pension will actually see less going into their accounts. She said last year the employer contribution rate for regular employees was 10.7 percent. The employee will now only receive 7.91 percent - 4.91 percent from the employer and 3 percent being added by the employee. For special risk employees - firefighters, police - last year's contribution rate was 23.25 percent by the employer. Now, the employee will receive 17.10 percent contribution

with the employer contributing 14.10 percent.

The FEA called the measure an "unfair" move by the Legislature to use teachers, law enforcement officers, firefighters and others to shore up a hole in the state budget.

But with local law enforcement and schools straining under years of budget cuts, officials say

this is just another hit.

"It's essentially a tax that's being imposed on a certain group of people, many who haven't had a raise for years," said Taylor.

Florida Gov. Rick Scott is standing behind GOP legislative leaders, however. According to Scott, asking state employees to pay a "small percentage" into their pensions is common

sense.

"Floridians who don't work in government are required to pay into their own retirement. This is about fairness for those who don't have government jobs. Plus, we are ensuring a pension will be there for state employees when they retire," Scott said.

Scott has said the three percent contribution will

save the state \$769 million annually.

FEA is expected to further challenge other measures passed by the state Legislature, such as SB 736, which forces teachers pay to be determined largely by their students performance on standardized tests.

"Promises are hard to back out on," Taylor said.

Savannah youth group helps restore local home

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but I didn't know all they were going to be doing."

This is Savannah Independent Presbyterian Church's second year of helping a family in Live Oak by way of fixing their home. The church picked Live Oak last year and will continue to help as long as they can. The church's youth group and others all pitch in. This year, 50 kids, ranging from 13 and up, and 40 adults partnered with Live Oak's Community Presbyterian Church and Suwannee County Love INC (In the Name of Christ) to fix up the home. They started Thursday and completely made over the home by Saturday, which was no easy task, seeing how the home had been

stripped down to the studs.

"We're insulating in and out, recoating the roof on the house, adding vinyl siding, redoing the interior walls, new kitchen, bathrooms and windows," said IPC's Associate Pastor Brad Waller.

And if that's not enough, the group is also repairing the front and back porch.

Waller said due to the condition of the home, it needed a refrigerator, a range and was in desperate need of an electrician.

Owens, who works at Walgreen's in Live Oak, said the home has been in her family for more than 100 years.

Last year, IPC, along with Live Oak's Community Presbyterian Church and Love INC, helped repair two homes in Live Oak.

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SPORTS



A Union County pitcher gets ready to deliver the pitch during the 10-under opening round game against host Suwannee. For more photos see 2B and 3B. Photos: Corey Davis

Moving on up

By Corey Davis
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LIVE OAK-Twenty-nine teams began their road to the state tournament this past weekend, competing in the Florida Babe Ruth/Cal Ripken District 6 All-Star baseball tournaments June 23-26 at the First Federal Sportsplex.

The double elimination tournaments featured teams from Fort White, Hamilton County, Jefferson County, Lafayette, Lake City, Madison County, Taylor County, Suwannee County, Suwannee Valley League (Trenton), Union County and Wakulla County.

Teams representing the ages of 9, 10-under, 11, 12-under and 15-under competed with the top teams from each age group advancing to their respective state tournaments.

State tournaments will be held in Lake City for 9-year-olds, Jasper for 10-year-olds, Lake City for 11-year-olds, Live Oak for 12-year-olds (60 and 70 foot bases) and 15-year-olds.

Suwannee Valley swept Wakulla 17-9 and 20-1 in

two games to win the 9-under title to qualify for the state tournament.

Wakulla breezed its way through the 10-under tournament 4-0 including a 12-2 win over Madison in the final to claim the district title and state berth. Joining Wakulla at state will be Madison and host Hamilton County.

Lake City dropped a close 5-4 decision in the best of three series with Wakulla, but rebounded to win the last two games 12-7 and 12-5 to win the district title. Both teams will move on the state tournament in Lake City.

Madison rolled through the 12-under tournament undefeated with a 5-0 record, including a 14-9 win over Lafayette in the final to claim the district title. Madison, Lafayette and host Suwannee move on the state tournament.

Defending district champion, Fort White reclaimed its title with a 8-3 win over Suwannee in the 15-under tournament. Suwannee rebounded from a second round loss to Fort White to win three in a row to get to the final game. Both teams move on the state tournament, which will be held at Suwannee High.



The 2011 Suwannee 14-under All-Stars are Kelsey Parlato, Lacey Giddens, Emily Watson, Deni Allen, Kasey Frazier, Kaitlyn Rogers, Savannah Perry, Sajada Burkett, Takema West, Haley Deas, Kaila Dalton, Kayla Watson, Skylar Osburn, Cassidy Osburn and Kirstin Rogers along with coaches Troy Watson, Larry Rogers and Rob Osburn. Photo: Submitted

14-under on to state

By Corey Davis

NEWBERRY-Suwannee 14-under softball team won the District 4 All-Star tournament recently in Newberry.

The district title guaranteed a spot in the Babe Ruth Softball State tournament July 6-10 in Ponte Vedra.

The team is raising the funds to make the trip, in-

cluding daily hotel expenses to stay at the tournament. If you would like to help out the intended goal of \$1,500, please contact coaches Troy Watson 386-362-9221 or Lisa Perry 386-688-7131.



Branford 16-under softball qualified for state with a second place finish recently at the District 4 All-Stars tournament. See page 4B for more photos.

Photo: Submitted

Branford state bound

By Corey Davis

NEWBERRY-The Branford 16-under softball team finished second at the District 4 All-Stars tournament recently in Newberry. The runner-up finished guaranteed the team a spot in the State tournament which will be held July 7-11 in Ponte Vedra.

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BABE RUTH ALL-STARS



Hamilton County, Lafayette and Madison County players participate in their opening round games. Photos: Corey Davis

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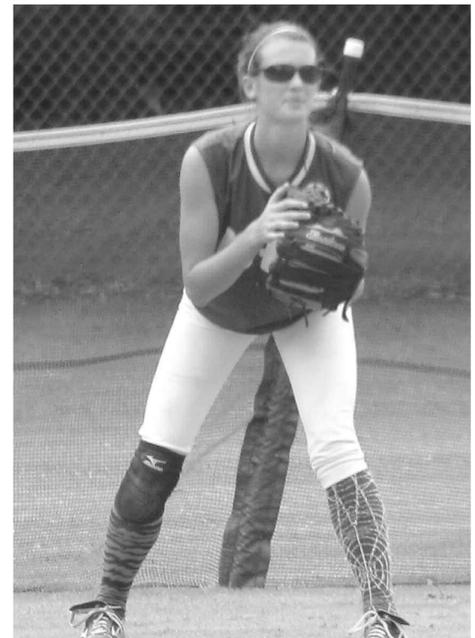
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A Non-Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference is scheduled for **1:00 PM EDT, Friday, July 1, 2011 at the Suwannee County Airport**, 13308 80th Terrace, Live Oak, FL 32060. A site visit of the Airport and the project areas will follow the Pre-Bid meeting.

Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Live Oak City Hall Meeting

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Most Joplin tornado deaths occurred where victims lived

CNHI News Service

JOPLIN, Mo. - With a

half-hour advance warning, why did so many people die

in the tornado that ravaged this southwest Missouri city?

That's the question government officials are still striving to fully answer six weeks after the deadliest U.S. twister in six decades

killed 156.

Storm experts said an obvious partial answer lies in the ferocity of Joplin's EF-5 category tornado, with winds ranging beyond 200 mph at its vortex.

"There's not much you can do," said Bill Davis, chief meteorologist for the National Weather Service in nearby Springfield, Mo.

Maybe so, but a disaster research team from Iowa State University that inspected the tornado ruins determined many of the homes where people took shelter were not built to handle even a low-velocity tornado. And only a handful had basements, storm cellars or safe rooms.

Eight-thousand housing units and 500 businesses were destroyed in the tornado. Damage has been estimated at \$3 billion.

A review of 106 of the tornado deaths by the Joplin Globe determined more than half of the people died where they lived -- in homes, apartment buildings and nursing homes. Thirteen people died at the Greenbrier Nursing Home alone.

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Visitors will be among the first to see the re-opening of Stingray Bay. Stingray Bay admission is \$1/members, \$2/non-members and an additional \$1 to feed the Stingrays. Visitors will also be the last to see the Dinosaurs before they go extinct – again. DinoAlive exhibit will be open through the weekend and the last chance to see the Dinosaurs will be July 4th. DinoAlive admission is \$3/members and \$3.50/non-members.

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on Saturday, July 2, and from the Stevie Fingers ensemble on July 3. There will also be prize drawings and activities that are sure to cool off the kids, such as a water slide, dunk tank, and games in the Great Lawn. Uncle Sam will also be greeting guests at the entrance from 12 p.m. to 3 p.m. each day. Jazoo, the Zoo's friendly lion mascot, will be there dressed in his patriotic gear ready to celebrate. Children can enjoy patriotic candy and learn about the American icon, the bald eagle, when they enjoy our Zoo Keeper Chats at the bald eagle exhibit at 12:00 p.m. on both Saturday and Sunday. Kids will also get a fun red and blue give-a-way item at the Great Lawn (while supplies last).

For more than 96 years, the Jacksonville Zoo and Gardens has been dedicated to inspiring discovery and appreciation of wildlife through innovative experience in a caring environment. Since its beginning in 1914, with an animal collection that consisted of only one red deer fawn, the Jacksonville Zoo and Gardens has become one of the top zoos in the nation. It now features more than 1,800 rare and exotic animals and over 1,000 unique

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Be among the first to see the re-opening of Stingray Bay and the last to see DinoAlive!

Most Joplin tornado deaths occurred where victims lived

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Thirty-two percent were killed in commercial buildings, churches and St. John's Medical Center Hospital. The others died in vehicles or outdoors.

Joplin's emergency management system sounded the first siren warning of the tornado a half-hour before it struck at 5:33 p.m. Another was sounded 10 minutes later. Television

and radio stations also warned of the tornado well in advance.

But Joplin has few public shelters, and less than 20 percent of the homes feature basements or storm cellars, the safest place to take refuge during a tornado. Very few homes have reinforced-wall safe rooms.

The Iowa State team found no homes with so-called hurricane straps that secure roof framing to



Cleanup crews sort through the rubble of the tornado that tore through Joplin, Mo., six weeks ago. (Photo by Roger Nomer/Joplin, Mo., Globe)

wall framing, making a structure stronger against high winds.

The team also found many homes without fasteners holding wall studs to

foundations. "If the houses were designed more strongly, you

could reduce the spread of total destruction to closer to the center (of the tornado)," said Bill Gallus, a meteorology professor at Iowa State and a member of the team.

So far there has been no review of building inspections and codes to determine if construction in the tornado zone complied with existing regulations.

But the city council has initiated plans to strengthen building codes on new home construction to require hurricane straps and extra bolts to tie walls to their foundations.

Mayor Mike Woolston said it would be impractical for the city to mandate new homes contain basements or storm cellars because of the high water table and rocky soil of Joplin. He said home owners might well elect to do that on their own.

But he said hurricane straps add only about \$600 to the cost of building a home, and "the strapping will help hold the roofs on, which in turn helps hold the walls up."

Ernst Kiesling, executive director of the National Storm Shelter Association, recommended Joplin also require storm shelters for apartment complexes, nursing homes and other multi-people dwellings.

Kiesling said they need not be expensive underground shelters. He said ground-level shelters can provide safe haven if they are reinforced with concrete or steel.

Still, Weather Service meteorologist Davis said there will be death and destruction whenever a tornado of 200 mph hits an urban area.

"There's nothing 100 percent," said Davis. "Some people will be in the wrong place and still not be injured, and other places, people will take the time to be there and not survive."

Details for this story were provided by the Joplin, Mo., Globe.

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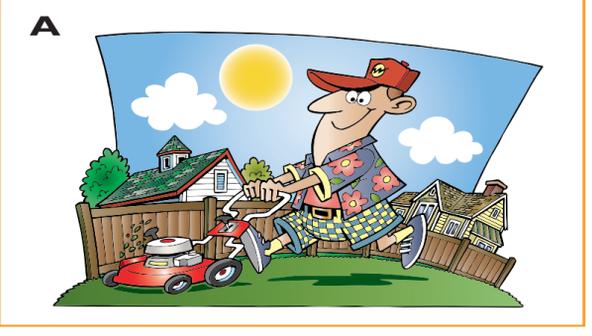
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LET'S TALK ABOUT YOUR HEALTH

Spring Not Fun for Allergy Sufferers

Many embrace the spring thanks to its warm weather and budding flowers and trees. Those with seasonal allergies, however, may not look so favorably on the new season.

According to the Asthma and Allergy Foundation, about 50 million Americans experience spring allergies. Some may have allergies each and every year. Others may find their allergies are newly discovered. The most common allergy triggers in spring include trees, grasses and weeds.

Allergies can evoke a number of symptoms:

- * itchy eyes
- * sneezing
- * congestion
- * headaches
- * coughing
- * runny nose
- * sore throat
- * shortness of breath
- * hives

Several of the symptoms of allergies mimic those of the common cold, and allergies are often mistaken for late winter colds. But as time spent outdoors with flowering plants triggers symptoms or inhalation of dust from spring cleaning induces an attack, the allergy culprit may become more apparent.

Pollen is one of the main contributors to allergies in the spring. For many people, pollen is seen as an outside invader to the body and its immune system. When pollen is inhaled or comes in contact with the eyes, the immune system triggers a response to get rid of the foreign substance. Excess mucous buildup and tears may be generated to wash out the

pollen. What all of this fluid can mean is sinus pressure, runny nose, watery eyes, and eventually cough or congestion from fluids running down the breathing passages and into the lungs.

As the body prepares to fend off pollen invaders, other symptoms may occur. Fatigue, aches and pains and other flu-like symptoms may be present. While battling pollen, the immune system is in full swing and may not be able to fully devote attention to other invaders, like bacteria and viruses. A person with allergies might be more susceptible to sickness.

There really are no cures for common allergies, only methods to manage the symptoms. Individuals with strong allergies to pollen should avoid spending a lot of time outside when pollen counts are especially high or the wind is blowing pollen around. Pollen predictions can be obtained through the local weather report or doing a little investigating online. Here are some other steps to limit troublesome springtime allergies.

- * Take a shower to wash off pollen from hair and skin after coming indoors.
 - * Launder clothes regularly.
 - * Keep windows and doors closed on high pollen days.
 - * Use a HEPA air filter inside of the home.
 - * Do not air-dry clothes, linens or other items outdoors on a clothesline.
 - * Consider using a saline irrigation spray to improve breathing and cleanse the nasal passages of pollen.
 - * Talk with a doctor about the best OTC products available for allergy symptoms. If those are ineffective, prescription medications may work.
 - * Some people find relief from alternative health treatments, such as acupuncture or ear candling.
- Being proactive about seasonal allergies can mean getting relief earlier or even preventing serious complications in the spring.

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Ask the Guys

Dear Classified Guys,
I am the daughter of two certified pack rats and have happily continued the family tradition by becoming a queen pack rat myself. I throw nothing away and my apartment looks like it. This wasn't a problem until I broke my leg waterskiing. Now, with my leg in a cast, I trip over all the clutter on my way to the bathroom. However, I found an ad in the classifieds for a "chaos buster". That might be what I need, someone to help me organize. But will they make me throw things out? Will I have to organize myself or will they do it for me? If they do it, how will I ever find anything again? Please offer some insight for this limping clutter bug.



Cash: Well, it sounds like your waterskiing accident has put you in the middle of a big mess...your house. A "chaos buster" might be exactly what you need.
Carry: It's amazing how much we can collect. I throw things out all the time, but somehow, my attic keeps collecting things. Fortunately, you're on the right track. If you have trouble cleaning your clutter, it's always a good idea to get help.
Cash: Professional organizers offer a variety of services. Some will clean out



THE CLASSIFIED GUYS

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for you while others can help you create an organizational system. The later may be your best option since it helps create a long-term solution to your clutter.

Carry: You should expect a good "chaos buster" to sit down with you in the beginning and discuss the goals before the cleaning. For example, you may not need to alphabetize your food pantry, but it may be a good idea to throw out the two-year collection of magazines you've been saving, each for that one good article.

Cash: You'll find that the hardest part is throwing away items you have an emotional attachment to, but no longer need or use. Parting with those 20-year

old prom shoes can be a troublesome experience.

Carry: And who knows what else may lurk in your closets. I have a friend who still has her girl scout uniform from 30 years ago.

Cash: Your "chaos buster" shouldn't dispose of anything you don't want them to, but keep an open mind as you work with them. Be sure that the items you keep are truly important to you or you'll need in the near future. Otherwise with your broken leg, you could still be tripping your way to the bathroom.

Carry: And next time, if you want to avoid cleaning altogether, consider investing in waterskiing lessons.

Fast Facts

Cleaned Out

To those who collect stuff around the house, cleaning out can be emotionally overwhelming. So if you want the process to be a little easier, try these techniques to get started. First, avoid cleaning the entire house all at once. Pick one room to work on each week. And second, don't go at it alone. Invite a friend over who can assist you with the emotional decisions on what to throw out.

Trash to Treasure

Trash to one person can be a treasure to another. So if you're having trouble with something because you think it is still useful, consider giving it away to someone who needs it. After all, that mint condition baby stroller or the brand new sports jacket that no longer fits can be appreciated by someone else. Organizations such as The Salvation Army or Goodwill Industries can put that extra stuff in the hands of those who can use it. And get a receipt when you drop it off. Donated items can also be a tax deduction.

Do you have a question or funny story about the classifieds? Want to just give us your opinion? We want to hear all about it! Email us at: comments@classifiedguys.com.

Reader Humor

Clever Kid

Since only my son and I live in our house, I often ask him to help out. However, being a teenager, he looks for every shortcut to get the job done quickly.

After the last holiday, I asked him if he would make room in the garage for our decorations. I knew it would be a task since we store practically everything in there from floor to ceiling. He mumbled a lot, but eventually made his way to the garage.

Within minutes, he was back inside plopped in front of the TV. "I thought I asked you to make room in the garage," I quickly scolded.

"I did," he replied. "I moved you car into the driveway."
(Thanks to Chrissy H.)

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Calendar of Events

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Corinth Baptist Church of Jasper will host Annual Fourth of July Celebration

Corinth Baptist Church of Jasper, FL will be hosting our Annual Fourth of July Celebration on July 3rd at 4:00pm. We will be smoking a Whole Hog, Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, with all the trimmings. Will also have home-made ice cream, boiled peanuts, watermelons, and a huge waterslide. Weather permitting we will be having a large fireworks display. Make plans to join us.

Men's Meeting at Wellborn Baptist Church

Men's Meeting at Wellborn Baptist Church and it states that they meet every 2nd Thursday of the month. They will not be having any meetings through the summer.

(No meeting through the summer, will start again in September)

Comprehensive Community Services will be having a Tree and shrub sale

July 7th and 8th. ~ 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM each day, at the Live Oak ADT center, 511 Goldskit Blvd.

Annual Family and Friends Day Celebration

We the members of Allen Chapel AME Church, Houston, Fla. are pleased to invite you to our Annual Family and Friends Day Celebration on Sunday, July 10, 2011 at 11 a.m. Our speaker for this joyous occasion will be Doctor Robert Herring of Jacksonville. Please come and help lift up the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Allen Chapel is located on CR 417 (Railroad St.) for info. call 386-364-4882.

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A full scale model of the Mosaic Sanctuary. The size you would have seen if you were alive in the days of Moses. On Display Sat. July 2 - Sunday, July 10. 1 p.m. - 7 p.m. July 2-9, and 1p.m. - 5 p.m. July 10. Tours begin every 15 minutes and lasts 75 minutes. Location: 9206 West Hwy 90, Lake City, FL. Call (386) 984-9704 or email livesanctuary11@yahoo.com.

Love Forever

Live Oak Church of Christ, 1497 SR 51 (Irvin Ave) will be open every third Saturday morning of each month for a clothes closet and food pantry, 10:30 - 12 noon.

Jennings United Methodist Church will host Vacation Bible School

Jennings United Methodist Church, in Jennings, Florida, will host Vacation Bible School, July 11-15, from 6:00 to 8:30 PM. The theme is "Saddle Ridge Ranch" and participants will get to ride a real horse, cook out around a real campfire and learn more about God's plan for them and how they can be more like Jesus. All children are invited to attend. For more information please call 386-938-5745 or 229-559-5916.

School Physical Exam Clinics

The Suwannee County Health Department will be holding special School Physical Exam Clinics on July 21st and August 11th. Appointments are required. The cost of the school physicals will be \$25.00. These physicals are for school entry ONLY. Sports physicals will not be completed on these dates. A copy of your child's immunization record is required if all vaccines were not received at the Health Department. The Suwannee County Health Department is located at 915 Nobles Ferry Road in Live Oak. The number to call for an appointment is (386) 362-2708.

Millennium Nights

Friday nights beginning June 10 at Millennium Park in downtown Live Oak. Show starts at 7 p.m. and is held the second and fourth Friday of the month. Bring your lawn chairs to listen to country, blue grass, gospel, country rock and karaoke.

NOTICE/Suwannee Health Dept./Branford closing

Effective July 1, 2011, the Suwannee County Health Department Branford clinic will be closing. All services will continue at 915 Nobles Ferry Road in Live Oak. Appointments can be made at the Live Oak office by calling 386-362-2708. Closure of the Branford clinic is due to state budget cuts and is necessary so that the Suwannee County Health Department can prioritize limited resources.

MCALPIN COMMUNITY CLUB MEETINGS CANCELED FOR THE SUMMER

The McAlpin Community Club meetings for June, July and August have been canceled. The next regular meeting will be in September. We hope that you will have a cool and relaxing summer. For information about the club call Barbara Parks at 362-3044.

SHS Class of 1961 reunion

The Suwannee High School Class of 1961 is planning a reunion for September 23 and 24th. Information has been sent out. Information including addresses is needed for the following class members: Charles Crosby, Evelyn Greene, Bonnie Klinger, Johnnie Rawlins, and Johnny Whaley. If you have information or desire more information about the reunion please call William (Bill) Slaughter at 386-362-1828 or Jean Johnson at 386-364-1693.

Come follow me, and I will make you fishers of men Westside Baptist Church, 13969 Railroad St. - Hwy 90 W, Live Oak, FL, 32060, Vacation Bible School for all ages, June 19, 2011 - June 23, 2011, 6-8:30 p.m. For more information, please call 364-2862

Class of 1981 Reunion Plans Underway

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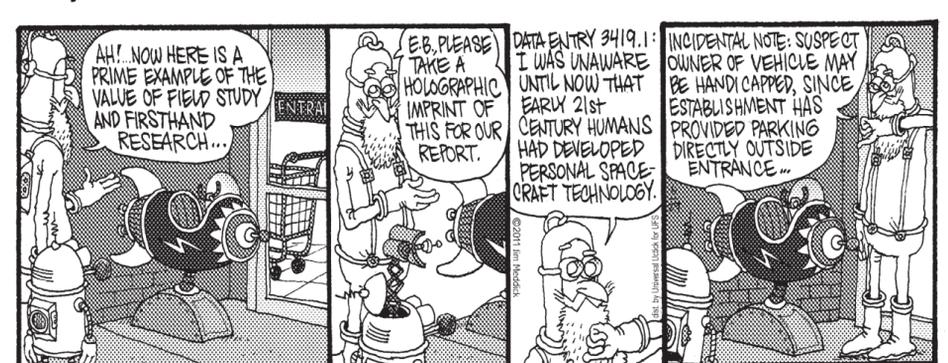


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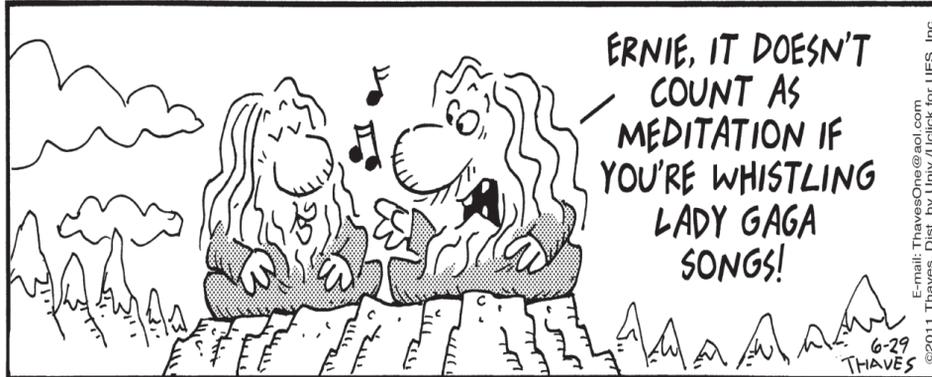
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Homecoming - Reunion at Beulah Baptist Church HAS BEEN CANCELED!!

NOTICE: CANCELED!

The "Trip to Recovery" Group of Narcotics Anonymous that met at St Luke's Episcopal Church in Live Oak, Florida on Saturdays at 7 p.m. has been cancelled.

T. J. Productions Presents Death & The Beautiful Woman

Director, Playwright and Producer, Ms. T. J. Harris. Date: Saturday, June 25, 2011, 7 p.m. Tickets \$15 and available at the door. 4 or more at group rate, \$10 each. Tickets also available at New Life Bible Book Store on Ohio Ave. Cash only. Contact: 904-405-0680 or 904-444-7184. Location: Social Sewing Center on Center Street, Live Oak, Fl.

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The Columbia Federated

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The Columbia Federated Republican Women meet the 2nd Monday of each month, 7pm, brown bag dinner & social time at 6:30 pm. Currently we meet in Lake City at the old Guardian ad Litem yellow house on Duval Street just east of the First Baptist Church and across from Advanced Auto. We are committed to advancing the participation of women in all areas of the political system and are dedicated to encouraging and empowering women of all ages and backgrounds. Visit the Florida Association's web page at <http://www.ffrw.net/home.html>. Covering North Central Florida - all women are encouraged to attend and be involved in the political process! For more info contact President Gayle Cannon: 386-303-2616, gcannon@atlantic.net.

First Baptist Church of Dowling Park Free Meals for Seniors

We are a meal site for the Suwannee River Economic Council. Free meals are served for seniors over the age of 60 in the church fellowship hall Monday through Friday from 12 noon to 1 p.m. For more information or to sign up, please contact us at 386-658-2360.

Volunteer Opportunity & Meeting Notice

Florida's Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program needs volunteers to join its corps of dedicated advocates who protect the rights of elders residing in nursing homes, assisted living facilities and adult family care homes. The program's local councils are seeking additional volunteers to identify, investigate and resolve residents' concerns. Special training and certification is provided. All interested individuals who care about protecting the health, safety, welfare and rights of long-term care facility residents -- who often have no one else to advocate for them -- are encouraged to call toll-free (888) 831-0404 or visit the program's Web site at [HYPERLINK "http://ombudsman.myflorida.com"](http://ombudsman.myflorida.com)

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Baptist Men's Meeting at Wellborn Baptist Church

The 2nd Thursday night of every month beginning at 6:30 pm the men of Wellborn Baptist Church and their friends join together to eat and worship together with a special speaker and music. You are invited to come and bring a dessert. The church is located on Highway 90 West between Live Oak and Lake City at the intersection with Lowe Lake Road in Wellborn, Fl. Call 386-963-2231 with any questions or visit our website at www.wellbornbaptist.com. (No meeting through the summer, will start again in September)

Boy Scout Troop 693

Boy Scout Troop 693 meets at the Live Oak Shrine Club, 11595 100th Street, Mondays, 6:30 - 8:00 p. m. This building is just east of US 129 south, on the same road as the Suwannee Valley Elec. Co-op. Membership is open to all boys 11-17 years old. Come join us for having fun with monthly camping, as well as week-long winter and summer camps! Parents are encouraged to participate as adult leaders, committee members and merit badge counselors.

Wellborn Community Association (WCA)

Meets second Thursday of each month at 7 p.m., at the Wellborn Community Center, 1340 - 8th Avenue, Wellborn. For info contact Wendell Snowden, 386-963-1157, follow us on Facebook, or see www.wellborncommunityassociation.com. A Blueberry Pancake Breakfast is held the first Saturday of each month serving blueberry pancakes, sausage, orange juice and coffee. The Annual Blueberry Festival is held on the first Friday & Saturday of June.

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The Auxiliary of the American Legion Post 107 is hosting a Wall of Honor. If you have a friend or relative that is currently in active duty of any of the military

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Greater Visions faith-based addictions support group meets weekly in two locations. Meetings are held on Tuesday nights at 7 p.m. in Lake City at the Christ Central Church building on Sister's Welcome Road. The group also meets Thursday mornings at 9:30 a.m. in Live Oak at the Suwannee Coalition office located at 208 North Ohio Ave. This group provides spiritual and emotional support in a non-judgmental setting. Come experience the freedom from addictions that is found in Christ. Greater Visions is an outreach of Christ Central but open to anyone. For more information contact 386-208-1345.

Senior Luncheon at Wellborn Baptist Church

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Tuesdays 1:00 - 2:15 pm. Lake Park United Methodist Church in the Fellowship Hall, Hwy 41 S. at S. Essa Street. For info call (229)455-2267.

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If you play an acoustic instrument or just like to sit and listen to good Country, Gospel or Blue Grass music, come on out to the Pickin' shed in the loop camping area. Pot luck dinners the third Saturday of each month. Join us --- its fun ---- its free! Sponsored by Suwannee River Bluegrass Association.

GFWC Woman's Club of Live Oak is available for rentals

GFWC Woman's Club of Live Oak is available for rentals on Saturdays until 11 p.m. Is there a baby shower, wedding reception, holiday party or other event coming up? Please call Richard or Shirley Tomac at 362-4508 to reserve your date and time. Make a wonderful memory.

Weatherization funding available

Funding is available for Home Repairs in Suwannee County. Families must meet income eligibility requirements for services. Examples of weatherizing repairs that could be available are installation of doors, windows, insulation, hot water heaters and window air conditioners. For more information, please call the local Suwannee River Economic, Inc. at (386) 362-6079.

ENTERTAINMENT TALENT NEEDED

Music groups, singers, performers etc. for the 3RD ANNUAL JUNE BUG FESTIVAL.

Entertainment on stage from 9am to 9pm. Other activities include ; big car show, arts and craft vendors, food court. Homemade ice cream contest

plus much more including Fantastic Fireworks Show at 9:20 pm. June 18, 2011. Sponsored by the Live Oak Partnership and Revitalization Board. Contact Barney Everett 386-364-1006.

Free English Classes - Clases de Ingles - Gratis

Clases empiesan el 31 de Enero, 2011, cada lunes y jueves, 7 -9 p.m. Maestra Felicia Doty y el equipo, 386-249-0096. Todas las clases van estar en la Iglesia Episcopal, San Lukas, 1391 SW 11th St., (Se encuentra la Iglesia en frente del hospital en Live Oak).

Senior Citizens

Senior Citizens meet the first Monday of each month in the west annex of the Suwannee Co. Coliseum. If you are fifty years old or older or disabled. The dues are \$5 per year. Each member is to bring a covered dish to each meeting. We will be having drawings for gifts which include complimentary visits for two a different restaurants. Door prizes will be given. There will be bingo after the meal. Also, there are trips planned for this group. Please call 330-6319 if you have any questions. Please put Senior Citizens meetings on the first Monday of each month on your calendar. Come join us and enjoy great friends and wonderful fellowship. Monday, July 4, 2011 is a holiday, so the next meeting of the Senior Citizens will be Monday, July 11, at 10:30.

Live Oak Elks Lodge #1165 Bingo

Monday and Thursday nights 7-10 p.m. Card sales begin at 6 p.m., \$20 minimum payout-30 games played - \$250 Progressives --2 Last game winner take all (Monday dob all odd numbers - Thursday all even numbers. Bring a new player-get a free dobber or free paper. Is it your birthday? Get free dobber or paper must show I.D. Live Oak Elks Lodge #1165, 415 East Howard St. Live Oak, Fla. Phone 386-362-1165, e-mail elks1165@net.

Cub Scout Pack No. 408

Tiger, Wolf, Bears and Webelos dens (grades one - five) - every Thursday, Aug.-May only; 6:30-7:30 p.m. at Live Oak Church of the Nazarene.

Suwannee County Open Market

Tuesdays 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. and Thursdays 3 p.m. - 6 p.m. at Suwannee County Historical Museum, North Highway 129. Live Oak. Shop fresh, shop local for farm fresh produce, flowers, plants, herbs, baked goods, coffee, locally produced honey, jellies, jams, soaps, arts and crafts and more. We accept State of Florida WIC/FMNP coupons. All vendors welcome. Call 386-362-1776 or 386-364-4560 for more information.

Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) Meeting

Meets second and fourth Tuesday of every month (August-May) at First Baptist Church of Live Oak @ 9:30 am. MOPS International exists to encourage, equip and develop every mother of preschoolers to realize her potential as a woman, mother and leader. Breakfast and childcare are provided. www.mops.org.

I am putting together a family history book on the descendants of Stephen, William & Sarah Ann Grant. Surnames include Grant, Hewitt, Adams, Land, McCray, McClamma & any other related. If you would like to submit information or photos or are interested, please contact Cher Newell at 386-209-1559 or 386-364-1608.

Stop, drop and Recycle for Adults with Disabilities

Comprehensive Community Services Inc. Invites you to participate in our recycling project campaign. CCS Clients are recycling - Printer Ink Cartridges, Laser Cartridges, Cell Phones -Any Kind, MP3 Players Drop off at Lafayette Extension Office, Wes Haney Chevrolet, Suwannee Tax Collectors, Live Oak City Hall, or the CCS Office, larger quantities can be picked up. For more information on how your business can join the CCS recycling team call Janet Sampson, 386-362-7143 ext 5.

FREE SUNDAY LUNCH

For the past several months a group headed up by Pat and JoAnn Lynch have been serving a free lunch at the community center in Live Oak the last Sunday of the month. This past month we fed around 300 children and families. We support this project by selling donated items at the Flea Market in Lake City. We have cleaned out all of our closets, garages and are now in need of items to be donated to this cause. We also need volunteers to help set up and serve the meals. If you are interested in volunteering or would like to donate garage sale items you may contact Pat and Jo Ann Lynch at (386) 935-1076 or Roger Burnside at (386) 935-3343.

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uss483@windstream.net, 10035 105th Drive, Live Oak, FL 32060.

First Baptist Church of Live Oak to hold weekly grief recovery support group

First Baptist Church of Live Oak, FL will begin holding a weekly grief recovery support group. GriefShare is a non-denominational Biblically based 13 week program for people who are struggling with losing a loved one in death. People can enter at any point in the 13 weeks. It will be held at 6 pm on Wednesdays. First Baptist Church is located at 401 W. Howard in Live Oak. For more information, people may call 386-362-1583 or find us on the web at www.fbcliveoak.org.

Looking for classmates of Class of 1959

Would like to contact any classmates from the Class of 1959 (in the event of upcoming reunions, etc.) Contact Joyce Parker at 407-886-0601 or write to: Joyce Parker, 4039 Visa Lane, Apopka, FL 32703.

Haven Hospice hosts Helping Hands Volunteer Orientation

When: Every Tuesday morning at 10 a.m. Where: Haven Hospice Suwannee Valley Care Center, 6037 W. U.S. Hwy 90, Lake City, FL. Call Carolyn Long at 386-752-9191 for more information.

New Commander Post #107

New Commander Post #107 American Legion is Randall E. White, 386-984-6245 or email at shoreduty@windstream.net.

Donate your old cars

Now that spring has arrived, people may be thinking of donating their old cars as part of a clean up. The Boys and Girls Clubs would be happy to take their old cars. People donating to the Clubs will not only get rid of the unwanted car but will

be contributing to the clubs. Boys and Girls Clubs really work with kids in most communities and offer a safe place for them. If you wish to donate a car, call 800-246-0493. Not only will donators be helping the kids, they will be able to take sale price as a contribution for income tax purposes.

Talent Search

Do you sing or play an instrument? Do you act or dance? Do you like to read or spend time with a friend in wonderful conversation? WE WANT YOU! Suwannee Health Care & Rehab Center is looking for your talent for our residents. Dinner for two - \$45; One night at the Beach - \$125; One hour volunteering to make memories that last forever - PRICELESS! Call: Lynn Brannon, Activities Director 386-362-7860 or 386-590-2961.

Donations needed!

Suwannee County Environmental Watchdogs, a non-profit organization, seeks donations for yard sale merchandise. Info: Sandy, 386-364-8020.

CJBAT tests

Monday - Thursday Monday - Thursday at 5 p.m. (by appointment): CJBAT (Criminal Justice Basic Abilities Test) at NFCC Testing Center (Bldg. #16), Madison. CJBAT is required for acceptance into Corrections & Law Enforcement programs. Photo ID required. Pre-registration & scheduling time and date are required. To register please call 850-973-9451.

College Placement Tests

Monday - Thursday Monday Thursday at 5 p.m. (by appointment): College Placement Test (CPT), NFCC Testing Center (Bldg. #16), 5 p.m., Madison. Register in NFCC Student Services 24 hours before test. For information please call 850-973-9451.

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FAMILY FEATURES

The Fourth of July calls for a care-free party, with good friends, fab food, fun and fireworks — a real star-studded holiday celebration.

The entertaining experts from Wilton have plenty of ideas to add star power to the occasion, beginning with the decorations. Festive stars and stripes napkin rings in red, white and blue dress up napkins and containers of colorful blossoms to brighten up the table. Then, on to the main course. Serve an all-American favorite meal of grilled burgers and corn on the cob, appropriately topped with a star-shaped pat of butter.

The grand finale is always part of this all-American celebration. Patriotic Pops cut into star shapes definitely say "Happy Fourth of July." Decorated in red, white and blue icing, red licorice and colored candies, these easy-to-make crispy rice treats are a favorite for both youngsters and the grown-ups. The kids can lend a hand to help decorate by placing the candy pieces on the stars.

Add a taste of nostalgia for the child in all of us with Ice Cream Sandwiches — everybody loves 'em. Homemade brownies and buttery vanilla cookies, sandwiched with the ice cream flavor of your choice are a cut above ice cream truck offerings. The new ice cream sandwich pan from Wilton ensures perfectly shaped cookies for every treat. Give them the flair of the Fourth by rolling the edges in patriotic sprinkles and sugars. Or, dip part of the sandwich into melted candy melts and decorate with sprinkles for a fun and festive finish.

Even beverages can boast the star treatment. Star-shaped ice cube kabobs in the colors of the day are a celebratory way to keep lemonade icy cold. Or, they're perfect for chilling the holiday cocktail.

Visit www.wilton.com for more celebration ideas, to order decorating supplies, the Ice Cream Sandwich Pan or the Silicone Star Ice Kabob Molds.

Ice Cream Sandwiches

Makes about 12 ice cream sandwiches

Brownies:

- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/4 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 cup (1/2 stick) unsalted butter
- 1-1/2 cups semi-sweet chocolate chips
- 2/3 cup granulated sugar
- 2 eggs
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract

Preheat oven to 325°F. Spray Ice Cream Sandwich Pan with vegetable pan spray.

In small bowl, combine flour, baking soda and salt. In large microwave-safe bowl, melt butter with chocolate chips. Whisk in sugar, eggs and vanilla; beat well. Add flour mixture; stir until just combined. Spoon 2 tablespoons batter into each pan cavity, spreading evenly.

Bake 8 to 10 minutes or until toothpick inserted at an angle toward center comes out clean. Immediately remove to cooling rack; cool completely. Repeat with remaining batter.

Vanilla Cookies:

- 1-1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup (1 stick) unsalted butter
- 1/2 cup granulated sugar
- 1/4 cup firmly-packed light brown sugar
- 2 eggs
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 teaspoon lemon extract, orange extract or ground cinnamon (optional)



Preheat oven to 325°F. Spray Ice Cream Sandwich Pan with vegetable pan spray.

In small bowl, combine flour, baking powder and salt. In large microwave-safe bowl, melt butter. Whisk in sugars, eggs, vanilla and, if desired, other extract or cinnamon; mix well. Add flour mixture; mix until blended. Spoon 2 tablespoons batter into each pan cavity, spreading evenly.

Bake 8 to 10 minutes or until toothpick inserted at an angle toward center comes out clean. Immediately remove to cooling rack; cool completely. Repeat with remaining batter.

To Assemble:

- 1 quart ice cream, any flavor
- Assorted Patriotic Mix Sprinkles and Red and Blue Sugars
- White Candy Melts, melted (optional)

Scoop about 1/4 cup ice cream onto smooth side of half of the brownies. Top with remaining brownies, pressing gently. If desired, roll edge of sandwiches in sprinkles or sugars. Wrap and freeze immediately.

Or, dip a portion of the sandwich in melted candy melts; add sprinkles and sugars. Freeze 5 minutes to set, then wrap and freeze until ready to serve.

Patriotic Pops

Makes about 2 dozen pops

- 1/4 cup (1/2 stick) butter or margarine
- 4 cups mini marshmallows
- 6 cups crisp rice cereal
- 24 8-inch Cookie Treat Sticks
- Red, Blue and White Cookie Icing
- Red and blue candy-coated chocolates
- Red licorice

Spray Star Cookie Treat Pan and rubber spatula or wooden spoon with vegetable pan spray.

In large saucepan, melt butter. Add marshmallows; cook and stir until melted. Remove from heat and add cereal; mix well. Press into prepared pan; insert cookie sticks. When cool to touch, remove from pan. Repeat with remaining cereal mixture. (If mixture becomes hard to work with, microwave at 50% power 30 to 60 seconds to soften.)

Outline treat as desired with Cookie Icing; add candy and licorice. Let dry at least 1 hour.

Fourth of July ignites with Wild Adventures' All Fired Up

Three day patriotic event features nightly fireworks and All Star Tribute Concert

Valdosta, GA – Wild Adventures Theme Park (WA) celebrates this Fourth of July with All Fired Up, a three day patriotic celebration, July 2, 3, and 4, culminating with the biggest fireworks display in the South all three nights. Plus, four tribute artists will perform live in concert, in addition to the park's thrill rides, Splash Island Water Park, live shows, and animals.

The South's largest and most pyro-infused fireworks spectacular will begin at 9:15 p.m. all three nights, during All Fired Up. Guests will also enjoy the All-Star Tribute Concert, a special FREE concert event featuring the music of Tina Turner, Rod Stewart, Faith Hill and the legendary King of Rock and Roll, Elvis Presley, performed by world-renowned tribute artists. The concert is scheduled to begin nightly at 6:30 p.m. in the All-Star Amphitheatre with free reserved seats to all guests, available on a first-come, first-served basis. Guests are invited to an exclusive red carpet meet and greet with the tribute artists, each day prior to the concert.

To top it off, the park's entertainment line-up will be in full swing with the addition of the Big Top Anastasini Circus performing three shows a day all weekend long. Summer Show Schedule

Creature Feature March 12 – September 25



Tigers of India	March 12 – October 30
Splashin' Beach Party	May 28 – August 14
Country Rocks Live!	May 28 – August 14
Anastasini Circus	June 11 – July 10
Hypnotist Tammy Barton	June 18 – July 8
Retro Rock	July 2 – August 14

All live shows and special events during All Fired Up are free with general park admission or a 2011 Season Pass.

Families can vacation anytime with season passes on sale at www.wildadventures.com. Regular passes are \$79.99 and Gold Passes including free parking are \$99.99. General park admission includes the second day FREE. Adults tickets are \$45.99, kids (ages 3-9) and seniors (55 and older) are \$40.99. Prices do not include tax.

Wild Adventures is a 170-acre theme park, water park, and animal park all in one place for less located in Valdosta, Georgia. The park features one of the largest ride collections in the South, more than 500 wild animals, Splash Island Water Park, the region's largest water park, shows, festivals and all-star concerts. The park is owned and operated by Herschend Family Entertainment (HFE), a company specializing in family entertainment. For nearly half a century, HFE has owned, operated or partnered in 26 properties across ten states, including Branson, Missouri's Silver Dollar City; operating partner with Dolly Parton in Tennessee's Dollywood and Dollywood's Splash Country; operating partner in Atlanta's Stone Mountain Park and owners of Ride the Ducks amphibious tours in six cities.

Calendar of Events

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appointment): TABE (Test of Adult Basic Education) at NFCC Testing Center (Bldg. #16), Madison. TABE is required for acceptance into vocational/technical programs. Photo ID required. Pre-registration & scheduling time & date are required. To register please call 850-973-9451.

Love a mystery?

Try locating your ancestors by working on your family tree. The Suwannee Valley Genealogy Society invites you to join and learn how to find your ancestors. Membership is \$30 for a single member or \$35 for a family. Corporate membership is also available for donations of \$100 or more (tax deductible). Meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month at 7 PM at the Genealogy Center at 215 Wilbur Street SW in Live Oak. The library is open on Tuesday and Thursday from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. and the talented folks there will be glad to help. For more information call Jinnie or Alice at 386-330-0110.

Free English-speaking and literacy classes

Provided by Columbia County School District's Career and Adult Education Program. Where: Wellborn, Florida, Unity of God Ministries, Inc., 12270 County Road 137 When: Every Thursday, 5:30 p.m.-8 p.m. Activities for children will be provided. Please contact 386-755-8190 for additional information.

EDUCATION PROFESSOR RECEIVES GRANT TO EVALUATE FLORIDA'S BRIGHT FUTURES PROGRAM

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — Since 1997, the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program has provided academic scholarships to thousands of the state's highest-achieving high school seniors. Now, a Florida State University professor has received a major grant that will enable him to evaluate the effectiveness of the program.

Shouping Hu, a professor of higher education in FSU's College of Education, received a \$780,000, three-year grant from the U.S. Department of Education's Institute of Education Sciences. With it, he will lead a research study titled "State Merit Aid Program and Student College Choice and Success: Evaluating the Efficacy of Florida's Bright Futures Program."

"The grant cannot come at a better

time," Hu said. "As a scholar who has longstanding interest in college access and student success in higher education, this grant will allow me to continue to do cutting-edge research in that direction and examine whether and how a high-profile state program can make a difference in student post-secondary educational opportunities."

Bright Futures Scholarships are awarded to Florida high school seniors who have demonstrated "academic merit" and who plan to attend a public college or university within the state. Hu said is excited to begin evaluating the scholarship program and plans to hire several research assistants over the course of the grant.

"My project collaborator and I have laid out a concrete plan for the

execution of the project and expected project outputs," he said. "We are confident that we will be able to generate most rigorous empirical evidence on the efficacy of the Bright Futures program on educational outcomes in individual students, the state, and the country as a whole."

The Institute of Education Sciences works to improve education in the United States by funding top educational researchers nationwide who seek answers on what works for students. It also conducts evaluations of large-scale federal education programs and educational projects.

To read this article online, visit <http://www.fsu.com/News/Education-professor-receives-grant-to-evaluate-Florida-s-Bright-Futures-Program>.



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All-American Song Fest concert at Bo Diddley Community Plaza on July 1 in Gainesville. Courtesy photo

The city of Gainesville's "Free Fridays" Concert Series present an All-American Song Fest on July 1

The Department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs will celebrate America's birthday at the Bo Diddley Community Plaza with a reprise of its annual All American Song Fest on Friday, July 1. The concert will kick off the Fourth of July weekend by taking the audience on a musical tour of American history and culture. According to Ron Thomas, concert organizer and Impostors (Beatles tribute band) member, "I call the concert not 'About America,' but 'Americana - a history of American music.' The last couple of times I have organized a July Fourth show, we have done songs about America, about places in America or about themes in American history such as our various wars, the Labor movement, Civil Rights movement and so forth. This time I wanted to try some-

thing different, a broad survey of American music. I hope to educate as well as entertain with this approach. We're tracing two major foundations to music in America; the English/Irish/Scottish folk music influence and the African/Caribbean influence. The first set will be old-time/hillbilly/country/bluegrass/country western/western swing/rockabilly and country rock. The second set will be popular/Tin Pan Alley/folk/blues/jazz/R&B and rock."

Joining Thomas on stage will be popular area musicians Michael Derry, Mike Boulware and Rob Rothschild from the Impostors; Cathy Dewitt of the bands Moondancer and Patchwork; David Cook from Patchwork and Bella Luna; Alan Stowell, a guitarist and fiddle player and Bruce Shepard, a horn player. For this

concert the band calls themselves Freddie and the Firecrackers.

The Let's Go Downtown "Free Fridays" Concert Series runs from 8 to 10 p.m. on Friday nights from Friday, May 6 through Friday, October 14. The Bo Diddley Community Plaza is located on the corner of Southeast First Street and East University Avenue. A complete listing of the "Free Fridays" entertainment schedule can be found at <http://www.gvl-culturalaffairs.org>.

Free Fridays is presented by the City of Gainesville Department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs. The Cultural Affairs Division is the designated local arts agency for Gainesville and Alachua County. Its mission is to promote cultural activity and encourage community based cultural resources.

For more information on the Downtown Plaza Free Fridays, or to schedule an interview, please contact David Ballard at 352-393-8746.

FSU DEAN WINS PRESTIGIOUS E.O. WILSON NATURALIST AWARD

Joseph Travis is praised for landmark contributions to biology

A former inner-city kid who grew up to be an acclaimed field biologist and college dean is being honored by the American Society of Naturalists (ASN).

Joseph Travis, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at Florida State University and a distinguished researcher in the field of ecological genetics, has won the 2011 E.O. Wilson Naturalist Award. Presented at the annual meeting of the ASN in June, the award "is given to an active investigator in mid-career who has made significant contributions to the knowledge of a particular ecosystem or group of organisms," according to the ASN.

E.O. Wilson, professor emeritus at Harvard University, is one of the most revered biologists on the planet and a gifted communicator of science who twice won the Pulitzer Prize for books in the "general nonfiction" category. The ASN award honors someone who embodies Wilson's ideals and whose research illuminates the natural world.

"The committee that selected Joseph Travis for the E.O. Wilson Naturalist Award chose wisely," said Wilson himself. "Dean Travis ranks very high as a naturalist, biologist and ecologist."

"To be thought of as embodying what Ed Wilson stands for as a naturalist/scientist is as good a tribute as I will ever receive," Travis said. "It's especially meaningful to me because Ed is from the Gulf Coast, loves this area, and has always encouraged me to stay the course as a real naturalist."

Travis, whose methods combine fieldwork, laboratory experiments and statistical analysis, studies how plants and animals adapt to their environment. His early work involved populations of tadpoles and looked at how environmental factors affected larval periods and growth size. His recent work, involving multiple populations of the same species of fish on the island of Trinidad, has not only shown how environmental factors affect the evolution of the fish but also how the fish in turn produce changes in the environment.

"He has done landmark empirical research on natural systems," the award citation said of Travis. "His greatest strengths are to combine well-informed natural history with superior experimental designs and statistical analyses."

Evolutionary biologist David Reznick agrees. A previous E.O. Wilson award winner, Reznick is collaborating with Travis on the ongoing project in Trinidad. The University of California-Riverside researcher calls Travis a "supreme statistician."

"Joe excels in integrating complex theory with natural history," Reznick said. "I refer to Joe as the oracle in his role in our Trinidad project because he is the only person who is well grounded in every aspect of the work, be it ecosystems ecology, evolutionary biology, high-brow theory, or experimental design and data analysis. He is the glue that holds this far-ranging project together."

A member of the Florida State University faculty for 31 years, Travis has published actively throughout his career. He has written or co-written more than 100 articles in scientific journals, and in 2009, Harvard University Press published "Evolution: The First Four Billion Years," a nearly thousand-page book he co-wrote and co-edited with philosopher Michael Ruse, the Lucyle T. Werkmeister Professor at FSU.

In addition, he has served on the editorial boards of the Journal of Evolutionary Biology, Oecologia, the Annual Review of Ecology and Systematics, and The American Naturalist. Travis was editor-in-chief of The American Naturalist from 1998 to 2002 and served as vice president of the ASN in 1994 and as president in 2005.

Travis has served the society and its publication "with great distinction over the years," said Mark McPeck, current editor-in-chief of The American Naturalist. "All other editors-in-chief will be measured against his stellar performance at the helm of the journal."

Besides filling leadership roles in the ASN and on various scientific journals, Travis served in 2010 as president of the American Institute of Biological Sciences, an umbrella organization of various biology groups with a combined membership of more than 250,000 scientists nationwide.

In 1991, Travis was named a Fellow in the American Association for the Advancement of Science. He also holds the title of Robert O. Lawton Distinguished Professor — the highest honor bestowed by the FSU faculty on one of its own.

Travis earned a bachelor's degree in biology from the University of Pennsylvania and a doctorate in zoology from Duke University. He held a postdoctoral position in biology at the University of Virginia.

For an expanded version of this article, including associated images and a forthcoming video interview, visit the Florida State University news site.

Visit the FSU Department of Biological Science website to learn more about Travis' laboratory and field research.

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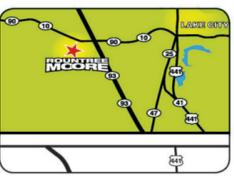
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