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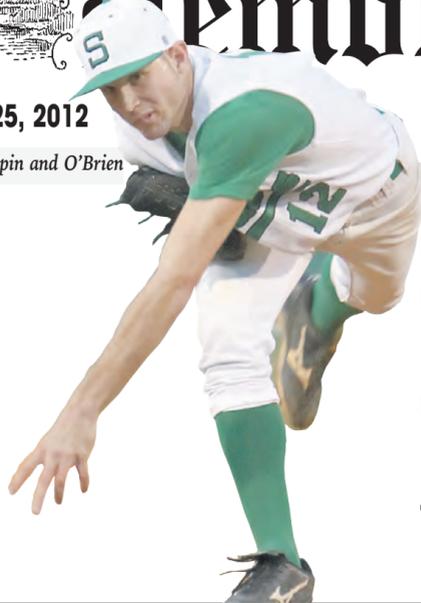
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Lt. Governor excited to be here

Florida Lt. Gov. Jennifer Carroll broke out in a dance of excitement Friday evening at the Third Annual Lincoln Day Dinner, sponsored by the Suwannee GOP. About 200 attended the event, according to Republican Party of Suwannee County Chairperson Mary Lou Sharp which was held this year at the Advent Christian Village in Dowling Park. Standing next to Carroll is Live Oak City Administrator Bob Farley prior to presenting the Lt. Governor with a key to the city. Sharp is pictured in the background. See Friday's Democrat for more. - Photo: Kim Boatright



Michael Cronan elected as Class 5A Player of the Year

SPORTS/11A

Alert encompasses an area that is just north of CR 132 to south of U.S. 90 and extends from the Suwannee River State Park to just east of 189th Road.

Rabies alert issued

Residents urged to use caution

By Jeffrey Boatright
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A rabies alert has been issued by the Suwannee County Health Department following a positive laboratory result from a raccoon. According to Suwannee County Animal Services Director Janice Hunter, the alert went into effect on April 23.

The alert is for a specific area within Suwannee County, according to Suwan-

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Georgia pair arrested on multiple charges

Pills, pot and pistol found

By Jeffrey Boatright
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A Georgia couple faces charges ranging from possession of marijuana to the display of a deadly weapon after an early morning rest area stop

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May



Walker

Raivyn's journey



Raivyn Summerfield. -Courtesy Photo

8th grader shares life through organ donations

By Jeffrey Boatright
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It is impossible to know the impact that one person can have on many lives. Clearly, the impact of Raivyn Summerfield will be endless for those who knew her, as well as those who didn't.

There are several ways that one might describe Raivyn. She loved photography, dancing, trees, church activities and just being Raivyn. According to her mom, she was a selfless child and her journey is just another example of

her selflessness.

"She was a happy-go-lucky child," her mother, Tracie Hessley, stated in an interview.

Although Raivyn passed away following a recent accident, the 14-year-old girl made such an impression on so many people that her memory and wonderful spirit will continue to live.

Not only will Raivyn's memory

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SEE PAGE 5A FOR THE OBITUARY.

County administrator position draws 24 applicants

By Jeffrey Boatright
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The vacant position of county administrator in Suwannee County has drawn 24 applicants, according to county records.

The position was created to replace the county coordinator position, which was vacated in December by former County Coordinator Joe Gerrity. The application deadline was April 12. Applicants from as far as Miami and Homestead, Fla. applied. According to records from the Suwannee County Personnel Offices, over half of the applicants are current Suwannee County residents.

Those who have applied for the job, which has an annual salary range of \$80,000 - \$100,000, include George Barwick, Crawfordville, Fla.; Winton Bass Jr., Live Oak; Josephine Costa, Live Oak; George Dempsey, Live Oak; Christine Dodd, O'Brien; Monda Duncan, Live Oak; Lori Evans, Jacksonville; Mark Evans, Jacksonville; Randy Harris, Live

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Truck rolls on CR 136



The 1999 Dodge pickup involved in the rollover crash. -Photo: Joyce Marie Taylor

Driver walks away with serious injuries

By Joyce Marie Taylor
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A Live Oak woman sustained serious injuries in a single vehicle rollover accident

Wednesday, April 18 in Suwannee County, just east of Live Oak, according to the Florida Highway Patrol.

Reports show that around 6:15 p.m. Crystal Susanne Monfold, 31, Live Oak, was traveling westbound on CR 136 in a 1999 Dodge

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Skierski seeks city council District 3 seat

By Jeffrey Boatright
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Live Oak resident and businessman Quinn Skierski has announced his candidacy for the Live Oak City Council District 3 seat.

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Skierski

Loston seeks city council District 5 seat

Submitted

I am Annette Loston and I am asking for your vote and support on May 8 to serve you as District 5 City Council. I have lived in Live Oak nearly all of my life and I am excited about the opportunity to serve the community I live in.

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Loston

WEATHER, 8A
Today **75°F** Sunny. Highs in the mid 70s and lows in the low 50s.
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SHS baseball adds two wins, two losses to record
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Editor's note: The Suwannee Democrat prints the entire arrest record each week. If your name appears here and you are later found not guilty or the charges are dropped, we will be happy to make note of this in the newspaper when judicial proof is presented to us by you or the authorities.

The following abbreviations are used below:

SCSO-Suwannee County Sheriff's Office
 LOPD-Live Oak Police Department
 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
 April 19, Eddie Lee Battles, 24, 3921 Robinhood Rd, Valdosta, GA, Robbery While Armed, 1st App PD App Per WFW: SCSO- K. Descarreaux

April 19, Valarie Tennill Cantella, 35, 10407 129th Road, Live Oak, FL, Grand Theft, Bond \$10,000 or \$500 Cash, 1st App PD App Per WFW: SCSO- M. Jelks

April 19, Cameron L. Cohen, 24, 4219 SW 102nd Rd, Jasper, FL, Trafficking cocaine +28, Sale Cocaine, Poss Cocaine W/Intent Sell, DWLS/R, Columbia Co. VOP Poss Cann, Hamilton Co. VOP Drug Off: SCSODTF- M. Ramirez

April 19, Clint A. Davis, 39, 1944 Tanbark Drive, Milton, FL, Battery (Dom Viol), 1st App PD App Per WFW: SCSO- M. Henry

April 19, Marlene D. Greene, 37, 823 West Howard St, Live Oak, FL, Grand Theft, Uttering Forged Check, All Hamilton Co Charges: LOPD-Fipps

April 19, Eric Williams, 20, 706 SW 4th St, Jasper, FL, Armed Robbery (4 Cts), False Imprisonment (4 Cts), Grand Theft, Poss Firearm By Felon, Poss Ammo By Felon, Wearing Mask While Comm Offense, Per WFW Add Charge, Hamilton Co Charge, VOP, 1st App PD App Per WFW, Total Bond For Suw Co \$585,000.00: SCSO- K. Descarreaux

April 20, Lee Allen Grose, 27, 3920 W Verdugo Ave, Burbank, CA, DWLS/R 2nd Offense, DL Expired Over 6 Months: FHP- A. Hughes

April 20, Clinton Bruce Evans, 18, 882 Parkview Place East, Fernandina Beach, FL, Trespass, Resist W/O Violence: SCSO- W. Kelly

April 20, Brandon Cody Hysell, 29, 843 SW Goldbowl Ave, Lake City, FL, VOP O/C Poss Oxycodone W/I Sell: Sale Oxycodone: SCSO= T. Ford

April 20, Shawn Hardee McFarlane, 42, 3127 NW 9th Terr, Gainesville, FL, Trespass: LOPD- Slaughter

April 20, Douglas Derwin Jones, 42, 318 Lincoln Ave, Live Oak, FL, Sent to 3 Days CJ: SCSO- D. Falgout

April 21, Eric Elliot Epps, 26, 54 Bowen St, Belmont, NC, Poss MDMA W/I Sell, Sale MDMA, Traffic in MDMA, Poss Psilocybin, Poss -20 Cannabis, 1st App—PD App Per WFW: SCSODTF- H. Smith

April 21, Peter Van Warner, 21, 926 SW 2nd Avenue, Gainesville, FL, Disorderly Conduct: SCSO- J. Rodrigueuz

April 21, Ross Masenthin, 26, 312 N. Kenmore Rd, Indianapolis, IN, Poss +20 Grms Cannabis: SCSO- W. Kelly

April 21, Mary Rebecca Borg, 24, 8227 Lobster Bat Ct #304, Jacksonville, FL, Poss MDMA, Poss Cntl Subs (Xanax): SCSO- W. Kelly

April 21, Delaina Lynn Daniels, 20, 6459 119th Road, Live Oak, FL, Poss Drug Paraphernalia, Poss Alcohol By Minor, Poss Open Container: LOPD- B. Kastor

April 21, Michael Angel Santos, 22, 17821 SW 100th St, Miami, FL, Poss of LSD, Poss +20G Cann,

Poss Psilocybin, Poss Drug Paraphernalia: SCSODTF- B. Barrs

April 21, Bertrand Germain Larrieu, 22, 15890 85th St, Miami, FL, Poss of Psilocybin: SCSODTF- D. Stevenson

April 21, Daniela Hernandez, 19, 1405 SW 122 Ave Apt #13, Miami, FL, Poss Drug Paraphernalia, Poss -20G Marijuana: SC-SODTF- D. Stevenson

April 21, Bryan Gavin Fowler, 25, 10704 Preserve LK Dr #132, Tampa, FL, Battery on LEO, Disorderly Conduct, Resist an Ofcr W/O Viol, Trespassing: SCSO- J. Zimmerman

April 21, James Edward Mead, 40, 1608 N 8th St, Pekin, IL, Poss LSD W/Intent to Sell, Poss +20 Grams Cannabis, Poss Psilocybin W/I Sell, Poss Alprazolam: SCSODTF- C. Horne

April 21, Christopher Jaco Logsdon, 21, 1504 Kingsway Dr, Peoria, IL, Poss -20 Marijuana, Poss Drug Paraphernalia: SC-SODTF- F. Gorski

April 21, Michael Paul Young, 46, 6508 Dearborn Dr, Acworth, GA, Poss MDMA, Poss -20 Cannabis: SCSODTF- H. Harris

April 21, Bradley Andrew Roberts, 23, 2300 Bellview Dr, Okalahoma City, OK, Sale of MDMA, Poss Cocaine: SCSODTF- B. Barrs

April 21, Robert Douglas Hart, 42, 12271 177th Rd, Live Oak, FL, Agg Assault W/Deadly Wep: SCSO= M. Henry

April 21, Jandi Lauren Todd, 23, 1633 Melody Lane, Elberton, GA, Poss -20 Grams Cannabis, Poss Drug Paraphernalia, Poss Cntl Subs W/O Prescription (Alprazolam), Poss Cntl Subs W/O Prescription (Oxycodone), Poss MDMA: SCSODTF- M. Ramirez

April 21, Jeffery Joshua Blancett, 107 Sawyer St, Chattanooga, TN, Poss of MDMA, Poss -20 Cannabis, Poss Drug Para: SCSODTF- C. Horne

April 22, Thomas Merry Maynard, 63, 1532 8th Avenue, Wellborn, FL, Battery (Dom Viol), Battery (Dom Viol), 1st App—N/A PD Per WFW

April 22, Blake Allen Snyder, 19, 606 Brack Road, Ft. Pierce, FL, Sale MDMA, Poss MDMA W/Int Sell, Resist W/O Violence: SCSODTF- M. Ramirez

April 22, Amanda Danielle Shiver, 19, 1420 Adolph Kemp Road, Greenville, FL, DUI: SCSO- Z. Clark

April 22, Crystal Michelle Nash, 35, 6822 Wigely Place, Live Oak, FL, FTA O/C Poss Worthless CK: SCSO- T. Lee

April 22, Zachary Tanner Serrett, 19, 1046 Saddle Wood Drive, Mt. Juliet, TN, Sale of MDMA, Poss MDMA W/I Sell: SC-SODTF- F. Gorski

April 22, Mathew Len Smith, 40, 2211 Post Street, Jacksonville, FL, Poss -20 Grams Marijuana, Poss Drug Paraphernalia, Resisting W/Violence, Inciting a Riot: SCSO- H. Harris

April 22, Jose E Hernandez-Vazquez, 34, 1706 Main St, Live Oak, FL, No Valid DL: LOPD- D. Slaughter

April 22, Schuyler Jamis Pursell, 26, PO Box 2968, Telluride, CO, Disorderly Intox: SCSO- C. Tompkins

April 23, Richard Alan McDaniel, 40, 7060 SE 67th Court, Trenton, FL, Found Guilty By Jury, Bond Revoked O/C Flee To Elud LEO, O/C Resistin OFC W/O Viol: SCSO- J. Mills

April 23, Terrance Lavar Hall, 37, 2401 SW 5th St, Ft. Lauderdale, FL, VOP-Marijuana Sel/Man/Del, VOP-DWLS 2nd Offense: SCSO- T. Smith

April 23, Brayant Walter O'Hara, 31, 8288 County Rd 9, Shorter, AL, DWLSR Felong Habitual, Exp DL More Than 6 Mths, Poss -20G Marijuana: FHP- A. Hughes

April 23, Charles E. Wheeler, 50, Live Oak, FL, Trespassing Structure: LOPD- B. Harrison

April 23, Gregory Anthony Vasil, 21, 5641 Bold Springs Road, McEwen, TN, VOP (Deal Stln Prop-Traf), VOP (Deal Stln Prop-Traf), Interfere W/Custody, 1st App—PD App Per WFW: SCSO- H. Tucker

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News from your local health department April is STI Month

Melissa C. Garrison, R.N.

April is National Sexually Transmitted Infection Awareness Month (STI). Sex is glamorized in every media outlet but what are not so visible are the consequences of promiscuity and unprotected sex. According to the "Get Yourself Tested" website, "1 in 2 sexually active people will get an STD by the age of 25." Furthermore it states that, "every year there are more than 19 million new STI cases in the U.S. Nearly half of these cases are among people aged 15-24."

However, don't think that STIs are something that only young people have to worry about. More and more middle and older Americans are being diagnosed with STIs. STIs do not discriminate on age, race, socioeconomic status, gender or sexual orientation. Usually you cannot simply look at someone and tell if they have an STI. Many peo-

ple often do not know that they have contracted an STI for some time. The only guaranteed way to not contract an STI is by remaining abstinent.

STIs are preventable, treatable and many are curable. But if you leave an STI untreated it's easier to spread to others and there could be more serious health consequences down the road. Testing is easy and anonymous. However, if you think that you have an STI, you need to get treated and inform your sexual partners.

The Suwannee County Health Department offers STI screenings Monday, Wednesday, and Friday's from 8-10 a.m. and 1 to 3 p.m. For more information contact the Suwannee County Health Department at 386-362-2708.

More information is available on the STI Awareness Resource site at: <http://www.cdcnpi.org/stdawareness/> or by visiting the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention site: www.cdc.org

NJROTC Area Manager's Inspection

Come and join Suwannee High NJROTC and Suwannee High Band as they perform for the NJROTC Annual Area Manager's Inspection on Friday, April 27 at 6 p.m. at Paul Langford Stadium.

The SHS Band will be providing

the music for this event. The NJROTC armed and unarmed exhibition drill teams will be performing.

Come out and show your support for the SHS NJROTC and band.

This event is open to the public and entry is free.

If you have any questions, please call the NJROTC office at 386-647-4019.

We hope to see you there.

In case of inclement weather, the inspection will be held at the SHS gym.

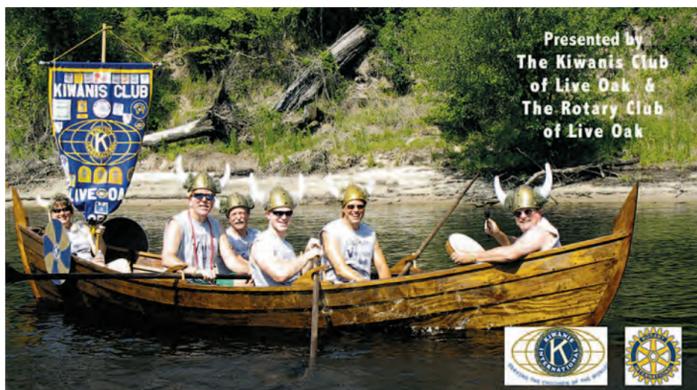
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Weddings/Anniversaries

60th Wedding Anniversary

David Franklin Cramer and Patricia Louise (Gallagher) Cramer



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May 3

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ents' 60th wedding anniversary. The couple married May 3, 1952 at the Covenant Orthodox Presbyterian Church in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania with Reverend Calvin K. Cummings officiating.

Fletcher / Register

Wedding announcement

Renee Godwin and Ronnie Underwood of Live Oak would like to announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Samantha Fletcher, to Clayton Register, son of Mary Mergenthaler and Larry Register of White Springs.

Samantha Fletcher is a graduate of Suwannee High School and is currently employed as a homemaker. Her maternal grandparents are Mary and DeWayne Neely of Live Oak and her paternal grandparents are Jr. and Eunice Underwood of Live Oak.

Clayton Register is a graduate of Hamilton County High School and is



currently employed at PCS. His maternal grandparents are Willis and Ada Register of White Springs and his paternal grandparents are Wayne and Helen Tomlinson of White Springs. The ceremony will take

place May 5, 2012 at 1 p.m. at Live Oak Garden Club garden. A reception will follow at Live Oak Garden Club.

Local invitations will not be sent. All friends and family are invited to attend.

Wedding reminder

Davis / Brownfield III

The parents of Audrey Elizabeth Davis and Cecil Leon Brownfield III, wish to remind you of the marriage of their children. The wedding will take place on April 28,

2012 at 3 p.m. in the Mt. Olive Baptist Church of Wellborn. A reception will immediately follow in the church fellowship hall. All friends and family are invited to attend.

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The following couples applied for a marriage license the week of April 16 – 20, 2012:

- Brandon Turner Coe to Sarah Elisabeth Parks
- Christopher Stephen Switzer to Bonnie Michelle Rae Vollrath (from Alabama)
- Donald Phillip Stocking to Julie Helen Cote (from New Hampshire)
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OBITUARIES

Gary Lee Prince
July 4, 1955
April 17, 2012

Gary Lee Prince, age 56, of Wellborn, Fla., passed away Tuesday, April 17, 2012 from injuries sustained in an automobile accident. Gary was a supervisor in the inventory business. He was born on July 4 and considered himself to be very lucky to have everyone celebrating "his" birthday. Gary was known to view life differently than others and appreciated what everyone had to offer.

Survivors include his wife, Angela Freeman; a daughter, Catherine J. Andrews; his father, Jasper Prince; an aunt, whom he lovingly referred to as "Ma", Virginia Prince; his brothers and sisters, Dawn Hammond, Dan Forbes, Terry Kirton, Melody Lowe, Crystal Watson, Carole Farrabee, David Lollis, George Stephen, Jonathan Stephen and Pam Sandlin.

Per his wishes, Gary was cremated. A memorial service was held Saturday, April 21, 2012 at Melody Christian Center with Pastor Frank Davis officiating, assisted by Pastor Darrin Baldwin and Randy Jordan.

Harry T. Reid Funeral Home was in charge of immediate arrangements.

Charles Wesley George Jr.
April 21, 2012

Charles Wesley George Jr., age 50, passed away on Saturday, April 21, 2012, at his residence in Branford, Florida. Mr. George was born in Starke, Florida, to Charles George Sr. and the former Katie Burton. Coming from Suwannee County, Florida, he had lived in Branford for the past 10 years. He was a member of Midway Baptist Church and worked on a dairy farm. In his spare time he enjoyed fishing, gardening, and farm work.

Survived by his wife of 12 years, Dawn George, of Branford, Fla., his parents, Charles and Katie Burton, of Suwannee County, Florida, a daughter, Alliemarie Rebecca George, of Branford, Fla., (2) brothers; David George and wife Dana, of Lafayette County, Fla., Josh George and wife Amber, of Columbia County, Fla., (2) sisters; Sandra Kines and husband Glenn, of Suwannee County, Fla., and Sharon Causey, of Mayo, Fla., numerous nieces, nephews, and two great-nephews.

Funeral Services will be held at Midway Baptist Church on Thursday, April 26, 2012, at 11 a.m. with Bro. Danny Rogers, officiating.

Interment will follow at Midway Baptist Church. You may sign the guestbook at: www.joeburnsfuneralhomes.com

Patricia "Granny" Mattox
April 19, 2012

Patricia "Granny" Mattox, age 69, of Live Oak, Fla., passed away Thursday, 11:50 p.m. on April 19, 2012 at her home following a lengthy battle with cancer. Patricia was adopted by a wonderful family in Miami, Fla., married, then moved to Live Oak in 1981. She was a very loving housewife, worked with Feagle Sandwiches, and the sewing factory in Jasper. She loved to cook, crochet and make Victorian dresses for Barbie dolls. She was her happiest when she was making things for other people.

Mrs. Mattox was preceded in death by her son, James Walter Saunders. Survivors include: Husband, Christopher Mattox, eight children & one stepchild, Joseph "Dwayne" (Lisa) Saunders, West Palm Beach; Lorraine Saunders, Live Oak; Gene(Andrea) Saunders, North Carolina; Charles "Rick" (Monica) Saunders, West Palm Beach; Victoria Saunders Rogers, Live Oak; Sean (Christy) Saunders, Sebastian, Fla.; David (Christine) Saunders, Dublin, Ga.; Tanya (Mark) Saunders-Jensen, Jacksonville, Fla.; Christopher Mattox Jr., Palatka, Fla.; twenty grandchildren, five great grandchildren and two step-grandchildren.

A Memorial Service will be held on Wednesday, April 25, 2012 at 11 a.m. at Live Oak Christian Church, 1015 Ohio Ave. Final arrangements by ICS Cremation & Funeral Home, 386-752-3436.

Raivyn Brooke Summerfield
Feb. 6, 1998
April 22, 2012

Raivyn Brooke Summerfield, 14, a resident of Wellborn, died Sunday, April 22, 2012, in Shands at the University of Florida of injuries sustained in an ATV accident. Raivyn was born on Feb. 6, 1998 in Mobile, Alabama and had been a resident of Wellborn for the past six years having moved with her family from Fort Worth, Texas. She had been an eighth grade student at Suwannee Middle School where she was active in the Student Council, the Art Club, the National Junior Honor Society and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Raivyn was a very vibrant child that was "full of life". She will forever be remembered by those who knew her for her love of the outdoors and her

sweet carefree spirit. Raivyn was a "Facebook fanatic" who loved to text, dance, swim, play soccer, go fishing with her dad and "Maja" and spend time with friends and family. Raivyn attended the Mt. Olive Baptist Church. Raivyn was preceded in death by her grandfather, Pete Barcia and her great-grandfathers, Dick Hessley and W.C. Cribbs. In keeping with Raivyn's "love of life" her family donated her organs which have thus far provided life to numerous organ recipients.

Raivyn is survived by her parents, Tracie and Jason Hessley of Wellborn and Michael and Mary Summerfield of Lake City; her sisters, Autumn Summer-

field and Kaitlyn Summerfield of Wellborn; her brother, Dylan Bass; her grandparents, Charles & Yvonne Brim of Wellborn; John and Brenda Summerfield of Live Oak; Betty Barcia of Lake City; and Jack and Gene Hessley of Chico, Texas; her great-grandparents; Louis and Mary Bery of Wellborn; Evelyn Hessley of Ohio and Jewel Cribbs of Live Oak and her "best friends" Cody Woods, Mollie Humphrey, Skylar Osburn, Nathan Brown and Carmen Gray. Numerous other friends and family members also survive.

Memorial services for Raivyn will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Saturday, April 28, 2012 in the Westwood

Baptist Church of Live Oak with Bro. Rob Osburn officiating. Private family interment services will be conducted at a later date in the Rocky Sink Baptist Church Cemetery. The family will receive friends for one hour prior to the service at the church. In lieu of flowers the family requests that memorial donations be made to the Shands Pediatric Unit % Shands Office of Development, P.O. Box 100386, Gainesville, FL 32610. Arrangements are under the direction of the DEES-PARRISH FAMILY FUNERAL HOME, 458 S. Marion Ave., Lake City, FL 32025, 386-752-1234 please sign the online family guestbook at parrishfamilyfuneralhome.com

DEATH NOTICE

James J. "Jimmy" Platt
April 21, 2012

James J. "Jimmy" Platt, 51, Live Oak, Fla., passed away on Saturday, April 21, 2012. Daniels Funeral Homes & Crematory, Inc. Live Oak & Branford, Fla.

Oceanus McCall
April 22, 2012

Oceanus McCall, 76, a resident of Live Oak, Fla., passed away Sunday, April 22, 2012 at his home. D.M. Udell and Sons of D.M. Udell Funeral Home are in charge of all arrangements. 386-362-4189. 386-209-0223.

SHS wins art show at NFCC

By Misty A. Ward
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Suwannee High School art students took home a first place finish at the North Florida Community College

Art Festival on April 12.

This is the 10th year in a row that SHS has won the annual art show.

There were participants from ninth through 12th grade competing in black and white drawing, drawing

with color, painting, photography, mixed media, fiber, sculpture and ceramics.

Mariena Chandler and Karen Watson received \$125 scholarships for fall semester at NFCC.



The Suwannee High School art students won first place at the annual North Florida Community College art show on April 12. This is the 10th year in a row that SHS has won the show.



Suwannee High School students with their Merit Awards from the NFCC art show on April 12. Pictured from left to right, Emily Winburn, Megan Ellis, Kaitlyn Rewis, Mariena Chandler and Kheryn Smith.



Vaster Fryar from Branford High School, and Pam Williams from Suwannee High School, show off their trophies with Lisa Thompson the NFCC art instructor. SHS won first place at the art show and BHS placed second. Courtesy Photos

Today's Weather
Local 3-Day Forecast

Wed 4/25	Thu 4/26	Fri 4/27
75/53 Sunny. Highs in the mid 70s and lows in the low 50s.	84/61 Plenty of sun. Highs in the mid 80s and lows in the low 60s.	88/63 Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 80s and lows in the low 60s.
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Editorial objectives for 2012

1. Install a county manager
2. Update our LDRs and comp. plan to better protect resources and plan for growth
3. Multidisciplinary study to look at our diminishing water supply
4. Continue progress on Perimeter Road
5. Reduce duplication of effort by city/county offices and agencies

THE SUWANNEE SCRIBBLER Loving Spring

By Jim Holmes

Without a doubt, spring is my favorite time of year in Live Oak. It is a view I will steadfastly adhere to, at least until next fall, when the first cool snap finally breaks the back of another seemingly endless North Florida summer.

Yep, the warm spring temperatures and cool breezes accompanying them this time of year are a treat. They make working out-of-doors a joy. I think that is particularly true for someone like me, who spent much of his professional life locked in a windowless broadcast studio or in endless sterile meeting rooms observing the antics of elected officials. And even when I was fortunate enough to escape my walled confines, due to the constant, irrevocable deadlines of the news business, there was little or no time to appreciate the distant screech of a soaring hawk or enjoy the pallet of colors that accompany the annual wildflower bloom.

No, my tasks outdoors back then were always much more worldly. Things like asking politicians on courthouse steps questions they would then artfully dodge or racing down a city street trying to get a useable sound bite from some villain desperate to keep his face off the six o'clock news. Indeed, in those days, if my thoughts were focused on the weather, it was only because climatic conditions were so miserable as to be newsworthy. (By the way, TV reporters DON'T enjoy standing out in hurricanes. Their producers demand it, for they want stories told in a manner that has a "visual impact.")

Even later when I moved into management, such joys as I routinely savor today escaped me. That's what happens when conflict and stress are your daily sidekicks. Small wonder that the spring weather now gives me such pleasure. Finally, it is at the forefront of my life.

If this time of year presents any drawback to old coots like me, it has to be the seemingly endless "to do list" for those of us who live rural lives. You know what I'm talking about; those necessary outdoor projects that we really want to complete before summer smashes us in the face with furnace-like heat and humidity so thick you taste it. The tasks facing me annually are usually much the same. Fix this! Improve that! The difficulty in doing them however seems to increase with each new April's arrival thanks to arthritic joints that are stiffer and aging muscles that are weaker.

It's at such times you are reminded of your mortality. Take the simple weekly task of servicing the water softener. Where I once tossed around 80-pound bags of salt without a second thought, today bags half that weight give me pause. In fact, I told my wife the other day that at my current pace, water softener duty next April might involve nothing heavier than the kitchen salt shaker.

Now don't get me wrong, despite their increased difficulty, I still enjoy the multitude of chores and tasks that face me on my land each spring morning. For a guy like me—who has always favored work over play—they help give life purpose.

Still, they produce some interesting dinner conversations. Just the other night I found myself asking Lynda if, when I passed, she planned on replacing me with some virile "boy toy." My ego was boosted when she angrily responded, "Heavens No! Why would you even ask?" I was honest in my reply. "Well honey, if you planned to, I was hoping we could get him now. I could really use the help!"

Jim lives in Live Oak.

BIBLE VERSE

"For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your ancestors, but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect." **1 Peter 1:18-19 NIV**

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OUR VIEW

Suwannee Democrat

The Democrat recommends

Our picks for the May 8 city of Live Oak election follow. Coming Friday, The Last Word. Candidates share their final thoughts on four questions posed by the editorial board of the *Democrat*. Early voting begins Monday.

Live Oak City Council

District 2

We recommend: Bennie Thomas. As the incumbent, Bennie Thomas seems passionate about city affairs and the folks of District 2. Bennie has served on various committees in the city and is eager to work for the city again.

District 3

We recommend: Quinn Skierski. We have seen his energy and enthusiasm and think he will be able to get in and represent District 3 well. Skierski has ideas and ways for the city to be better community partners. All this tied together with his business knowledge is something that has been desperately needed in this seat for quite sometime.

District 5

We have no recommendation for this race. There are some tough contenders for this race and we feel most are qualified.

In this race and all races we urge you to know what the candidate stands for and what his or her past actions are or what promised actions will be.

Live Oak Charter Proposed Amendments

We recommend voting 'For' on each proposed amendment to the city charter.

The amendments give too much power to one person in city government. Live Oak Mayor Sonny Nobles stated in this newspaper that your rights along with oversight and accountability in government are being threatened with the proposed amendments. We strongly disagree. City residents elected five council members to represent them. Nothing can be done without a majority of the council's votes. The way the charter reads now allows the mayor to have too much veto power. It takes three people to suspend or appoint non-elected city officers. It takes one person to undo that. Vote "For" on the proposed amendments, listed below. The county doesn't have a "mayor" that can veto your representatives actions. You hold the veto power.

City Charter Amendment One

Ballot language: "Removal of Mayor's Power to Suspend City Officers, except Councilmen, for Misconduct or Neglect of Duty."

City Charter Amendment Two

Ballot language: "Removal of Mayor's Power of General Supervision Over all City Officers."

City Charter Amendment Three

Ballot language: "Removal of Provision that Mayor Require All Ordinances of the City be Observed and Enforced."

City Charter Amendment Four

Ballot language: "Impeachment of Elected City Officials for Misfeasance, Malfeasance or Habitual Intoxication and Procedure for Removal."

This proposed amendment provides for the amendment of Section 10(G) "that provides for impeachment of Mayor be amended to provide that any elected City Official, including Mayor, may be impeached by the City Council" for the latter.

City Charter Amendment Five

Ballot language: "Special or Called Meeting to be Called by Mayor or President of City Council."

Section 13 of the Charter would be amended to allow the council president and the mayor to call a special meeting of the city council.

City Charter Amendment Six

Ballot language: "Removal of Requirements that Appointment of Officers or Employees by City Council Require Mayor's Approval."

City Charter Amendment Seven

Ballot language: "Removal of Provisions for Appointment City Officers for term of Mayor and Council Appointing Them."

Section 18 would be deleted which states that the mayor's approval would be required on appointment of non-elected city officers by the council. Also to be deleted states that the "term of office of such officers shall be equal in time with the term of the mayor and the city council appointing them and which limits removal except for neglect of duty, insubordination, or misconduct in office."

City Charter Amendment Eight

Ballot language: "Vacancies, Forfeiture of Office, Filling of Vacancies by Majority Vote of Council."

Section 23 would be amended to specify that a councilman's office should become vacant or forfeited should be filled by a majority vote of the council within 30 days or a special election be held.

City Charter Amendment Nine

Ballot language: "Removal of Requirement of Consent and Approval of Mayor for Council Appointment of City Attorney."

This would amend Section 37 to removal mayor's consent of council appointment of city attorney.

OPINION

Devious taxation

The Washington, D.C.-based Tax Foundation does a yeoman's job of keeping track of how much we're paying in taxes and who's paying what. It turns out that American taxpayers worked this year from Jan. 1 to April 17, 107 days, to earn enough money to pay their federal, state and local tax bills. That statistic requires some clarification, and I ask my readers to help me examine it.

According to the Congressional Budget Office, Congress will spend \$3.8 trillion this year, about 24 percent of our \$15 trillion gross domestic product. But federal tax revenue will be much less, only \$2.5 trillion, or 16 percent of the GDP. That means there's a shortfall of \$1.3 trillion. Some people, including economists, say there's a deficit. That's true, but only in an accounting sense, not in any meaningful economic sense. Let's look at it.

If Congress spends \$3.8 trillion out of this year's \$15 trillion GDP, what must it do to accomplish that goal? If you said it must "find a way to force us not to spend \$3.8 trillion privately," go to the head of the class. One way to force us to spend \$3.8 trillion less is to tax us that amount, but we're being taxed only \$2.5 trillion. Where does the extra \$1.3 trillion come from? It surely doesn't come from the tooth fairy, Santa Claus or the Easter Bunny.

The fact of business is that if Congress spends \$3.8 trillion of what we produce this year, it necessarily must force us to spend \$3.8 trillion less privately this year. The most honest way to force us to do that is through taxation. Another way is to enter the bond market and make interest rates higher than they otherwise would be, thereby forcing us to spend less on private investment in homes and businesses. Then there is debasement of the currency through inflation, which is taxation by stealth.

A common but misleading argument is that future generations of Americans will pay for today's spending. Think about it. Is it possible for someone who has yet to be born to pick up the tab for what we do today? Pose the question another way. When we fought World



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BY WALTER WILLIAMS

War II, were the resources used and the sacrifices made to fight the war produced between 1941 and 1945, or were they produced and sacrificed in 1980, 1990 or 2000? Subsequent generations benefited from our fighting the war by being born into a free nation. Congresses profligate spending will burden future generations through making them

heirs to less capital and, hence, less wealth.

The bottom line is that whatever Congress consumes this year is produced this year, not in 2020, 2030 or 2040. That means, in the real economic sense, the federal budget is always balanced.

Instead of focusing on how the federal government has grown from 3 or 4 percent of our GDP -- as it was from 1787 to 1920 -- to today's 24 percent, our attention has been diverted to tax fairness demagoguery. Let's look at tax fairness. According to Internal Revenue Service data for 2009, available at <http://www.ntu.org/tax-basics/who-pays-income-taxes.html>, the top 1 percent of American income earners paid almost 37 percent of federal income taxes. The top 10 percent paid about 70 percent of federal income taxes, and the top 50 percent paid nearly 98 percent. Roughly 47 percent of Americans pay no federal income tax. Here's my fairness question to you: What standard of fairness dictates that the top 10 percent of income earners pay 70 percent of the income tax burden while 47 percent of Americans pay nothing?

The fact that the income tax burden is distributed so unevenly produces great politically borne fiscal problems. People who pay little or no income taxes become natural constituents for big-spending politicians. After all, if you pay no income taxes, what do you care if income taxes are raised? Also, you won't be enthusiastic about tax cuts; you'll see them as a threat to your hand-outs.

Walter E. Williams is a professor of economics at George Mason University. To find out more about Walter E. Williams and read features by other Creators Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit the Creators Syndicate Web page at www.creators.com.



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Branford News

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SEMI VS SEMI

Branford man receives serious injuries in crash

By Misty A. Ward
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A Branford man received serious injuries in a semi versus semi motor vehicle accident early Fri-

day morning in Madison County, according to the Florida Highway Patrol. The driver of the other semi, who has not been identified, received fatal injuries.

John W. Geiger, 48, was dri-

ving a 2008 Mack semi-truck southbound on SR 53 when a 2007 Freightliner semi-truck entered into Geiger's lane for unknown reasons. Geiger's semi was struck on the left side by the

left side of the Freightliner semi. According to the FHP report, after the impact, the 2007 Freightliner Semi "jackknifed", caught on fire and slid to a stop" it came to a final rest facing in the

northerly direction on the west shoulder.

The FHP report stated that Geiger's vehicle "overturned after impact and came to rest across SR 59 on its passenger's side."

BES students learn about community helpers

Submitted

Branford Elementary students from Mrs. Saunders, Mrs. Norton and Mrs.

Howard Pre-K classes learned about community helpers recently with visits from Suwannee County Fire/Res-

cue, Suwannee and Lafayette County Sheriff's Office, AGW Gardens, The Flower Shop and many more.



Our Pre-K classes with Robert Bradow from Cross Hair Outfitters.



Marcia Hunt, a local baker and grandmother of Keara Hunt in Mrs. Saunders class, shows us how to make a flower from frosting.



Mrs. Norton's class--clock wise from left--Wyatt Winnett, Mollie Daniels, Walker Bradow, Robert Bradow, Cloey Criggall, Kaitlyn Carrier, Trent Williams, William Mijangos, Wyatt Santos, Ashley Morales, Ellie Frierson, Samantha Cary, Jana Roberts



Mrs. Howard's class with Lucius. Do you smell something?



James Sommers and crew from SCFR talk about fire safety and here the kids learn what a real fireman would look like if he was searching for someone in a smoky building.



Pre-K classes with SCFR, Dept of Forestry, and Smoky Bear.



Ellie Frierson helps Suzette Maddox, owner of The Flower Shop in Branford, make an arrangement. Suzette talked to the students about how she has to order flowers and they are shipped to her by boat, plane, and semi-trucks.



Jerry Cornwell reading a story and discussing different airplanes with us.

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Savannah Hagan
Brent Howard
Jeremy Kramer
Aaron Lawhon
Sydney Morgan
Foster Swain

Hamilton County students

A
Joseph Mickler

3rd grade

A
Rachel Armstrong
Lindsey Martin
Justin Wilson

B

Madison Allbritton
Dylan Evert
Logan Glover
Brian Selph
Hanna Stout

4th grade

A

Hunter Allbritton
Andrew Bozeman
Hannah Gamble
Makenzie Greaves
Joseph Mickler
Chullain Norris
Todd Odom
Brandon Stephens
Braxton Thomas

B

Brent Cribbs
Taylor Galloway
Blake Howard
Hayden Law
Thalia Sanders
Will Spradley

5th grade

A
Destiny Fennell
Mallory Fernald
Christian Fletcher
Ronnie Layton
Peyton Musgrove
Shayla Smith
Sarah Swindell
Joshua Wharton
Breanna Fernald

B

Madison Crain
John O'Donnell
Kara Rogers

6th grade

A
Natalie Allbritton
Hunter Hawthorne
Kaleb Lane
Zoey Layton

Jenifer Phelps
Julia Robinson
Cara Seaman
Shelby Smith
Jarrett Wilson

B

Joshua Selph
Katy Shattler
John Stout

Hamilton County students

A

Elizabeth Goolsby
Abby Mickler

7th grade

A
Nathan Barker
Elizabeth Goolsby
Abby Mickler
Colt Seaman
Matthew Tucker

B

Will Bozeman
David Lashley
Hannah O'Donnell
Lauren Thompson

8th grade

A
Rachel McCoy
Ryan McCoy
Kayla Wilson

B

Chase Hawthorne
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Running for a cause

Local law enforcement officers, state correctional officers, state law enforcement officers and representatives from the Suwannee County School District converged in front of Suwannee High School Tuesday morning for the annual Special Olympics Torch Run. The sizable crowd began their run at SHS and proceeded down Pinewood

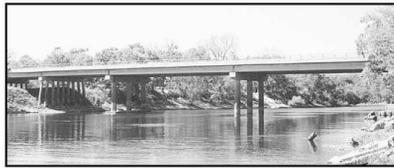
Way to Walker Avenue. From Walker they ran to Irvin Avenue, eventually reaching Suwannee Avenue and returning to SHS.

"This is a very worthwhile event," Sheriff Tony Cameron stated. "These kids need us and they deserve our help." Pictured with Mrs. Candy Vickers class are local officials.



- Photo: Jeffrey Boatright

SUWANNEE RIVER READINGS Branford 2012



The water levels provided here refer to the height at the US Hwy. 27 bridge in Branford in feet above mean sea level (ft-msl) at the gauging station. In the past the levels were read as gauge height not mean sea level.

April 18, 2012	7.71	April 21, 2012	7.55
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help better yourself on the way to a bright future is worth a few minutes of your time to fill out an application. For more questions or how to receive a application please contact the Extension Office at 386-362-2771.

3rd annual Butterfly Memorial Service

Haven Hospice is hosting its 3rd annual Butterfly Memorial Service May 8 at 6 p.m. at the Suwannee Valley Haven Hospice Care Center at 6037 W. US Highway 90. This service is for families of patients who have passed away in the past year. Families

are asked to bring mementos of their loved ones to put on display. A representative from each family will receive a butterfly to release as a symbol of letting go of their loss.

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8th grader shares life through organ donations

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positively impact those who knew her, she will also have a lasting effect on many people who never had the pleasure of knowing the beautiful, loving young lady.

According to her parents, Raivyn became an organ donor and now shares life with people all over the United States. According to Hessley, she and husband Jason, along with Michael and Mary Summerfield, signed the release and Raivyn is giving hope to countless people. It was something they wanted to do collectively, Tracie explained.

"The organ transplant coordinator told us that one organ donor can save 200 lives," Tracie said.

Perhaps it is most fitting that Raivyn became an organ donor, since she had dreamed of becoming a pediatrician and healing

people.

According to Tracie, Raivyn's heart was beating in someone else's chest around 9:30 a.m. on Monday. One of her kidneys helped preserve life for a person in Florida, while the other kidney has enabled someone on the west coast to live.

Raivyn was as a spiritual young lady who recently accepted Christ at Mount Olive Baptist Church, Tracie emphasized.

According to Mount Olive Baptist Church Youth Minister Jered Lizotte, Raivyn was a blessing to the church.

"She was really growing in faith and was a blessing to all of us," Lizotte commented.

While attending a Future Now event at Branford High School with the youth group from Mount Olive Baptist Church, Raivyn made a decision to accept Christ earlier this year, Lizotte

explained.

Although Raivyn's family will continue to miss her laughter, smile and charisma, they acknowledge that she will live on in spirit and through her organ donations.

"My beautiful baby Raivyn went to live with the Lord Jesus Christ. I will miss my baby with all my heart and soul please pray for my family.....she's with the Lord Jesus Christ," Raivyn's father, Michael Summerfield wrote.

Raivyn loved doing self-portraits and was creative with her photography. She spent time doing school work and participating in church activities. According to her mother, she saw no boundaries in finding joy and was always there for others. The eighth grader took dance lessons and thoroughly enjoyed life. Another thing about Raivyn was her

love for climbing trees. Perhaps Charles Brim, or Uncle Lou, as she knew him, summed it up best in his statement.

"I keep thinking about Raivyn's infatuation with trees as symbolic of what her destiny was, to grow up strong and well-grounded and branch out and touch as many lives as possible," Brim stated.

According to Suwannee Middle School Principal David Campbell, the students of SMS have done a remarkable job of working through the loss of their friend, Raivyn. Counseling was provided on Monday and students signed banners for the family, reinforcing their love for Raivyn.

Although it is a difficult time for the family of Raivyn, they remain faithful and understand the contribution that she has made. They also remain appreciative of the prayers lifted up and the

work of the medical professionals who took care of her.

"The folks at Shands are amazing," Jason Hessley stated.

Tracie added that the trauma unit there is great as well.

According to the Hessleys, a nurse stopped and helped Raivyn at the scene of the accident. Although they do not know her name, the family sends out a genuine, heartfelt thank you. The family also extends their thoughts and prayers for James "Peanut" Jones, who was operating the ATV at the time of the accident according to Florida Highway Patrol.

Raivyn has given the Summerfield, Hessley, Brim and countless other families 14 years of memories that will never be forgotten. Now, through her gift to others, it is impossible to know how many lives she will affect and continue to touch.

Alert encompasses an area that is just north of CR 132 to south of U.S. 90 and extends from the Suwannee River State Park to just east of 189th Road.

Rabies alert issued

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nee County Health Department Administrator Pamela M. Blackmon.

"All citizens, especially the ones within the area around the intersection U.S. 90 West and West Tower Road are asked to maintain a heightened awareness that rabies is active in Suwannee County," Blackmon wrote.

The alert encompasses an area that is just north of CR 132 to south of U.S. 90 and extends from the Suwannee River State Park to just east of 189th Road.

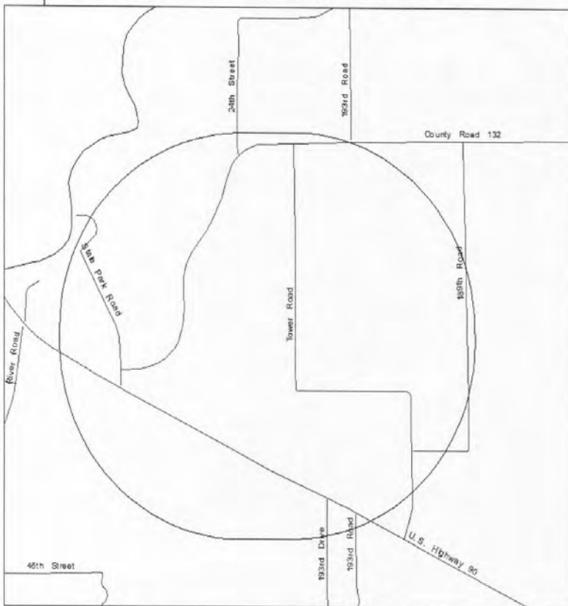
Residents in the area are advised to avoid contact with free roaming domes-

tic or wild animals, refrain from leaving pet food outside and secure outside garbage in covered containers to avoid attracting wild animals. According to Blackmon, residents should contact their veterinarian to make sure their dogs, cats or ferrets have current rabies vaccination. Residents are also advised not to feed any stray or wild animals.

According to Blackmon, the alert will end in 60 days, unless another incident occurs within the alert area. Citizens are urged to contact a local veterinarian concerning any questions regarding the health of an animal.



Suwannee County, Florida Rabies Alert 4/23/2012



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County administrator position draws 24 applicants

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Oak; Michelle Hart, Live Oak; William Higginbotham Jr., Seminole, Fla.; William Huseonica, McAlpin; Mike Konefal, Port Charlotte, Fla.; Steven Losner, Homestead, Fla.; Aaron Mathews, Bristol, Fla.; John McCue, Orange City, Fla.; Joseph Miranti, Saint Cloud, Fla.; Sean Morales, Miami Lakes, Fla.; Tori Musgrove, Live Oak; Lisa Posey, Branford; Constantino Purrinos, Miami, Fla.; Ronald Richardson, O'Brien; Jacqueline White, Live Oak and Timothy Williams, Wellborn.

The field of 24 will be narrowed during the May 1 Suwannee County Board of County Commission meeting when each of the five county commissioners will carry two applicant names to submit for interviews.

TOPS FL. 798 Live Oak announces new chapter officers



TOPS FL. 798 Chapter Officers for the coming year from left: Gwen Summers, Jean Dinsmore, Janet Theriault, Paul Crowley and Dori Cowin. Courtesy photo

Chapter officers for the coming year were installed on Wednesday, March 28. The members are happy to announce the following members of the chapter executive committee:

Leader, Dori Cowin; Co-leader, Paul Crowley; Secretary, Myra Randolph; Treasurer, Janet Theriault; Weight Recorder, Jean

Dinsmore; Assistant Weight Recorder, Gwen Summers.

This local group has been supporting healthy weight-loss efforts in our community for six years. Visitors are welcome to attend their first TOPS meeting free of charge. Chapter #798 Live Oak meets weekly on Wednesday at 11 a.m. at Live Oak Community Church of God, 10639 Hwy 129 South, Live Oak. Call Dori at 386-658-2767.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly, the original, nonprofit weight-loss education and

support organization, was founded more than 60 years ago to champion weight-loss support and success. Founded and headquartered in Milwaukee, Wis. TOPS promotes successful weight management with a philosophy that combines healthy eating, regular exercise, wellness education and support from others at weekly chapter meetings. TOPS has about 170,000 members in nearly 10,000 chapters throughout the United States and Canada, and several other chapters in Europe.

Thanks for helping Cram the Van

Thanks to the Suwannee County Fair this year for allowing Cheek & Scott to be a part of the fair and coordinating the Cram the Van food drive. We hope this will become a fair tradition in our community. Many thanks for the generous contributions of canned goods that practically

filled a Cheek & Scott van. The First Baptist Church Food Ministry will utilize the canned goods for those in need in our community. The Food Ministry gives out approximately 300 large bags of groceries on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of each month. One in four Suwannee

County families fall below the poverty level and therefore are eligible to receive groceries from the F.B.C. Food Ministry. Cheek & Scott and the Suwannee County Fair thank our local community for their donations and look forward to a bigger turnout next year.



Chad Wainwright, Cassie Hart, Jakeb Scott, Jeff Scott, Shelly Monroe, Tim Alcorn and Fred Henderson.

Pinwheels for Prevention



Vivid Visions Inc. sponsored a Pinwheels for Prevention in recognition of April being Child Abuse Awareness Month. Our winners were 1st place, Bethany Guilmette and 2nd place, Amber Bradford. We want to thank all students that participated. Courtesy photo

SPORTS



Eron Newsome can't wait until he gets old enough to play

Cronan elected as Class 5A Player of the Year



Michael Cronan pitching at a game earlier this season was elected as the Class 5A Player of the Year, as well as, an Academic All-State team selection.

By Misty A. Ward
misty.ward@gafnews.com

Suwannee High School senior, left-handed pitcher, Micheal Cronan was elected as the Class 5A Player of the Year, as well as, an Academic All-State team selection.

His stats for the season thus far are, 6-3 Win-Loss record, a 1.71 earned run average, 56 strikeouts to 16 walks, opponents are batting .169 against Cronan

this season. He has thrown five shutouts. According to the SHS baseball coach Ronnie Gray, he has pitched 46 innings and has only given up 18 runs.

"Mike has been fortunate and had a great season. It is made more special when considering all he had to do just to get back on the field after having labrum surgery. Academically, like so many of our players in the baseball program, Mike is outstanding," Gray said.

More SHS baseball



John Pournelle sliding home.

SHS baseball adds two wins, two losses to record



Suwannee High School's John Pournelle, runs the bases in a game against Hamilton County High School. Suwannee defeated HCHS 10-0 on April 17. SHS suffered two losses following their shutout to Wakulla, 6-3, and Columbia, 2-0, last week, then finished the week with a win against Eagle's View, 9-8.



Suwannee High School baseball player readies himself for the ball, hoping for an out against Hamilton County High School. Suwannee defeated HCHS 10-0 on April 17. SHS suffered two losses following their shutout to Wakulla, 6-3, and Columbia, 2-0, last week, then finished the week with a win against Eagle's View, 9-8.



The Suwannee High shortstop dives for the ball in the game against Hamilton County High School. The Bulldogs defeated HCHS 10-0 last week. SHS went two for two last week with wins against HCHS and Eagle's View, 9-8, and losses to Wakulla, 6-3, and Columbia, 2-0. -Photos: Paul Buchanan (SuwanneeSports.com)

SHS softball player signs letter of intent for Flagler College



Tinsley Smith signs her letter of intent to Flagler College on April 18, with her parents Terry Smith, left, and Nikki Smith by her side. Also pictured with her are, back, left to right, Coach Jeff Smith, Coach Andy Day, Tyler Smith, brother, Penny Norman, grandmother, L.J. Norman, grandfather, Travel Ball Coach Billy Rodgers and Coach Tommy Chambers. Photo: Paul Buchanan (SuwanneeSports.com)

By Misty A. Ward
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A Suwannee High School senior signed her letter of intent to Flagler College on April 18 at SHS.

Tinsley Smith said she plans to play softball for Flagler College and major in psychology, to one day work in the psychology field with children.

"Flagler was my number one choice. I was extremely excited and shocked when they offered me the scholarship," Smith said.

Her coaches from 8 and under softball, travel team and high school, plus many family members and teammates were at the signing ceremony. Her coaches had a lot to say about her.

"Tinsley has been a very instrumental person in this program for the last couple of years. All of you here know how committed she is and how dedicated she is and hates losing, um, hates not succeeding. If you've been to a game you've noticed that a couple of times," SHS head coach Tommy Cham-

bers said.

Her travel team coach Billy Rodgers agreed with Chambers jokingly about Smith's competitiveness.

"Coach, I feel your pain about her competitiveness, unfortunately, probably the reason Tinsley and I have the relationship we have, is because we're exactly alike. The only thing I have ever learned from losing is that I don't like to lose," Rodgers said.

Rodgers spoke about her mental and physical game in softball. He said when he was talking to the college coaches about Smith, he had "no reservation about what I was telling them about the young lady that I think she is and what she could bring to the program."

"She's special to me. I am very, very proud of her," Rodgers said.

Smith's 8 and under travel team coach Jeff Smith told her group of supporters about her desire to be a pitcher.

"We went through a few rough years. Pitching takes the most work of any other position, so you have to be dedicated," Jeff Smith said.

Scenes from Live Oak Babe Ruth



Savannah Slaughter from Razor's Edge Barber Cuts steals home against Dairy Queen, at their opening game on April 14.



Haley Law from Liberty Tax Service is ready to take on second against First Federal last Thursday. Courtesy Photos

Suwannee booster golf



First place winning team Mike Smith, Bill Owen and Jerry Poole

Submitted

The Suwannee Baseball Boosters recently had its annual Golf Tournament at the Suwannee County Country Club.

The event was coordinated by Trey

Hancock. There were 13 teams of 3 players. The winning team won a prize of \$75 for each team member. It was made up of Bill Owen, Jerry Poole and Mike Smith.

Second place team won \$50 for each member and was made of up Kyle Hayes, Todd Carter and Jamal Perkins; Third place team won \$25 for each team member and was made up of Lyn Fletcher, Terry Mixon and Tommy Chambers. Terry Mixon won the Longest Drive. Robbie Kirby was Closest to the pin.

The Suwannee Baseball Team is coached by Ronnie Gray.

The Suwannee Baseball Boosters would like to thank the businesses and individuals that helped make this tournament a success Wes Haney Chevrolet, Farm Bureau, Jackson Farms, WB Howland, Prevatt Law Firm, McCrimon's Office Supply, Lamar Jenkins, Poole Realty, BW Helvenstons, Precision Turning, Jordan Agency and all the golfers.



Second place team Jamal Perkins, Kyle Hayes and Todd Carter



Robbie Kirby was the Closest to the Pin with Chuck Swann, Booster President.



Bryan Gamble, left, Booster Vice President and Chuck Swann, Booster President, with the third place team Lyn Fletcher, Tommy Chambers and Terry Mixon



Terry Mixon was the winner of the Longest Drive Courtesy Photos

Supporting the team



Former Seminole players and Suwannee countians reconnect on recently at Florida State's annual Garnet & Gold game. Pictured from left: Todd Frier, Kyler Hall, Bill Ragans and Matt Frier. Courtesy photo

Suwannee Legals

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 3RD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR SUWANNEE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION

FILE NO: 12-19-CP

IN RE: ESTATE OF

CARL RUDOLPH MARKMILLER, SR., Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of **CARL RUDOLPH MARKMILLER, SR.**, deceased, whose date of death was October 13, 2011; File Number: 12-19-CP is pending in the Circuit Court for Suwannee County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 200 S. Ohio Ave., Live Oak, Florida 32064. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate, on whom a copy of this notice has been served, must file their claims with this court **WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATIONS OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE TIME OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.**

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ALL CLAIMS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIOD SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this notice is April 18, 2012.

RHETT BULLARD, P.A.
By: /s/ Rhett Bullard

Rhett Bullard
Florida Bar No.: 175986
100 S. Ohio Ave.
Live Oak, Florida 32064

/s/ Leah Markmiller
LEAH MARKMILLER, Petitioner/Personal Representative
04/18, 25

Georgia pair arrested on multiple charges

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in Suwannee County, according to the Florida Highway Patrol.

Records show the FHP arrived at the I-10 Eastbound rest area near Wellborn around 3:45 a.m., April 17, to assist rest area security.

When FHP arrived, they discovered Sarah Victoria May, 20, and Justin Brett Walker, 25, both of 484 Michael Drive, Alpharetta, Ga., asleep in a vehicle. According to reports, May was asleep in the back seat with what appeared to be a marijuana pipe on her chest and Walker was asleep in the front seat.

Walker had a handgun holstered on his right hip in sight and a very large knife attached to his right hip, along with

an empty bottle of alcohol, the FHP said.

According to reports, Walker was ordered out of the vehicle and handcuffed for safety reasons, while May was removed from the vehicle.

While searching Walker, authorities discovered that he had an expandable metal baton attached to his person as well. During the search of May, the FHP discovered a small quantity of a green leafy substance appearing to be marijuana.

Upon arresting both May and Walker, authorities discovered more marijuana and dried mushrooms in the vehicle. In addition, several small white pills identified as Alprazolam 2MG, along with other pills with no prescriptions were discovered.

May faces charges of two counts of possession of a con-

traband substance without a prescription, eight counts of possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of contraband substance-psilocybin and possession of less than 20 grams of marijuana.

Walker faces charges of three counts of carrying a concealed weapon, two counts of possession of a controlled substance with the intent to sell, carrying a concealed firearm, possession of less than 20 grams of marijuana, seven counts of possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of psilocybin, possession of a controlled substance without a prescription, use or display of a weapon and possession of a controlled substance without a prescription.

Reports show that May and Walker were transported to the Suwannee County Jail.

Skierski seeks city council District 3 seat

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According to Skierski, his bid for the city council seat, which is being vacated by incumbent David Burch, is not about him, but rather future generations.

"We need to create an environment that will sustain future generations," Skierski said. "What we do now will affect generations to come."

Skierski's greatest concern at this point is the creation of jobs. He maintains the city has positioned itself well with water and sewer, but insists that it must now capitalize on the assets we have and move forward with them.

"These are the things we sell," Skierski says. "We also offer great services such as police and fire protection and we must let businesses know these departments have great track records when they look to come here."

As a proponent of private industry, Skierski is also in favor of sending out letters to attract business.

"I look forward to working with the Chamber of Commerce and the county," he commented. "They are an asset to the city as much as we are to them."

Skierski emphasized that

anyone who comes near Live Oak to places such as the Spirit of the Suwannee Music Park should recognize that we are here.

"Why not send a letter to Forbes 400?" Skierski asked. "We must be on the radar when businesses are looking."

In order to remain competitive in today's market, Skierski acknowledges that we must market ourselves and let businesses know that we are interested.

"We must market ourselves," Skierski stated. "Every business that I have ever been in required marketing at some point."

According to Skierski, we are in a prime location to attract business with our access to I-10 and I-75.

"We also have competitive land prices," he added. Skierski pledges to increase revenue by actively seeking and attracting new businesses for the community.

"We do not want to put more expense on the taxpayers," Skierski said. "Citizens need not pay more for the services we offer."

In addition, Skierski pledges to support the assets that already exist in our community.

"We need to assist the assets the community cur-

rently has to offer, such as our hospital," Skierski emphasized.

Skierski readily acknowledges his strong ties and vested interest in Live Oak and has never considered calling anywhere else home.

"Since I was 14-years-old, I've had seven or eight businesses here," Skierski explained. "We also attend church here at Melody Christian Center and that is a big part of our life."

According to Skierski this is the community in which he and his wife, Cyndi, want to raise their children.

Skierski, a sixth generation Suwannee County native, views the role of city government as serving the people and providing the services they pay for. According to Skierski, the products the citizens pay for are fire protection, police protection and utilities.

Emphasizing that our city's budget spending must be manageable for our market, he is anxious to talk to the people in various departments and make sure that we are taking care of our people based on the money they're given to work with.

Sharing his thoughts on government consolidation, Skierski said that we have

to evaluate each aspect individually.

"I look forward to working with the county on different things," Skierski said. "If we're duplicating our efforts and can consolidate, I'm all about consolidating. It is about keeping spending down."

Skierski readily acknowledges that his greatest accomplishment is the 18 years of marriage that he has shared with Cyndi K. Hayes Skierski.

"We have two sons," Skierski beamed. "Branson is 13 and Bryson is nine."

While Skierski says that he has enjoyed success in his businesses, none of that compares to his family.

The District 3 candidate feels that he is qualified because he first cares about people.

"I believe that is what the job requires and I believe that I have the most knowledge of budgets and understand profits and loss in business. My business background is what makes me the most experienced," he added.

According to Skierski, he views his candidacy as an opportunity to serve the citizens of Live Oak and is at a point in his life that he can efficiently serve his family, city and church.

Truck rolls on CR 136

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pickup, when for unknown reasons, the vehicle veered onto the right shoulder. The front end of the pickup struck a culvert which caused the vehicle to go airborne. Afterward the truck traveled about 100 yards eastward while overturning about three times. It came to a final rest right side up facing a southerly direction.

According to a Suwannee County Sheriff's Office deputy who was on the scene, the driver almost took out the top of a light

pole.

"She was that high in the air," the deputy said.

Monfold was up walking around at the scene after the crash with visible cuts and bruises on her face and arms. When asked if she was okay, Monfold said, "I'm just upset. I have a lot on my mind." She also stated her father had just recently died.

Reports show Monfold was wearing a seatbelt. She was transported to Shands of Live Oak for treatment of her injuries. The vehicle sustained about \$3,000 in damages.

Loston seeks city council District 5 seat

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Graduated from Suwannee High School, Class of 1980. I am a member of African Missionary Baptist Church which I am Financial Clerk. I have served the community over the past 25 years in law enforcement with Suwannee County Sheriff's Office as a dispatcher, correctional officer, warrants secretary and presently serving as transportation officer.

People are eager for change and I have a vision

for Live Oak, where our children can find jobs when they come of age without leaving the county. Also, necessary infrastructural repairs or upgrades need to be addressed to better the community, while keeping cost manageable so as not to increase utility bills. I envision a City Council that will work together for the betterment of the citizens it represents.

I want to demonstrate that through positive leadership, our community can exceed its potential.

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everyone in the family! The band X Hale kicks off the big weekend on Friday night. This band was formed by Marion Rutledge and former member Jeff Hand when they started a high energy Top 40 country band in the mid 90s. The band changed its name to X Hale in 2010 and began playing gigs often at the SOSMP's Music Hall. Band members include Chelsea Dierickx, lead vocals; Marion Rutledge, lead vocals and rhythm guitar; Kevin Lucas, lead guitar; Bill Eason, keyboards and vocals; Kerry Lucas, bass

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in all venues ranging from country, Southern rock, classic rock, dance music, classics and hits from the 70s, 80s and 90s! They've become one of the popular bands playing at the SOSMP and have been chosen to play at the upcoming 2012 Suwannee River Jam! The Honky Tonk Hitmen will move your feet regardless of your taste in music so be sure to bring those dancing shoes! Terry Cole and the Honky Tonk Hitmen features eclectic musicians who have come together to make some of the

most powerful music throughout Florida and across the states! These guys like to rock the house when they perform. Friday - Sunday, April 27-29, is the free spring Suwannee Spirit Kids Music Camp. This wonderful music camp is run by volunteers who teach children to play guitar, mandolin, fiddle, banjo, drum and to sing! And, the music camp is free! However, a parent or guardian must be on site while the kids attend music camp. If your child doesn't have an instrument, instructors likely will have one

available during the camp. Registration is held Friday night with three fun sessions Saturday, including a cookout Saturday evening. Sunday students come together to play a concert - yes, that's right - Sunday afternoon! Parents and friends are always totally amazed when they hear their loved ones playing after just three short days of music camp. The mission of Suwannee Music Kids Music Camp is to provide a positive, life-enhancing experiences for all participants, including those less fortunate. Hopefully, each



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from the radio studio from 5 - 7 p.m. Who knows, your child who attends Suwannee Spirit Kids Music Camp could be a performer on that radio show one day! The SOS Café and Restaurant in the Music Hall opens for dinner at 6 p.m. Friday and Saturday night with shows beginning at 8 p.m. Admission is \$5 with the \$5 applied to your evening's tab. The SOSMP now has a full service bar in the Music Hall. And don't forget, May 2 - 5 is the Suwannee River Jam featuring country

artists Trace Adkins, Randy Travis, Joe Nichols, LoCash Cowboys, Ashton Shepherd, Josh Turner, Craig Morgan, Justin Moore, Steve Holy, Morgan Frazier and Eric Paslay along with area artists Rion Paige, Clay Brooker, Stephanie Renae, Lyndie Burris, Brittney Lawrence, Crystal Black, Kevin "Ski" Swenszkowski, Lauren Elise, Maci McDuffie and more! Bands performing include Drake White, Jamie Davis, Sundy Best and the Justin Case Band. In addition bands chosen during Jam audition competition that will play include The Stonebranch Band featuring Sondra Hunt, Terry Cole and the Honky Tonk Hitmen, State

of Mind and Homegrown. For more information about The Spirit of the Suwannee Music Park, call 386-364-1683, email spirit@musicliveshere.com or go to www.musicliveshere.com. You may also contact the SOSMP to register your child for the music camp, to inquire about any of the many exciting events coming up such as the Suwannee River Jam, Purple Hatters Ball, Suwannee Rock Bash, Suwannee River (gospel) Jubilee, buy tickets, book accommodations for any of these festivals or book a wedding, reception site, RV site or cabins. Call 386-364-1683, email spirit@musicliveshere.com or go to www.musicliveshere.com.

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The "Free Fridays" Concert Series presents the Band HuDost on Friday, May 11

GAINESVILLE, Fla. – The band HuDost, which is currently on a U.S. tour, is an experimental indie world rock group whose core musicians are singer/songwriters Moksha Sommer from Montreal (vocals, harmonium) and Jemal Wade Hines from New York (guitars, vocals, percussion). Bringing a strong musically trained background to the group, Sommer has traveled the globe, studying no less than 12 distinctive vocal styles from around the world and, with her clear, soaring voice, Sommer has been described as "a cross between a more overtly sultry Paula Carino and a less boisterous Juliana Nash." Jemal Wade Hines, formerly of Gainesville, has organized a group of local musicians to join HuDost in creating a concert especially for the "Free Fridays" series. Gregg Jones, a Santa Fe College theatre professor and his students will also be attending the concert bringing along a number of their giant puppet characters to mingle and dance in the audience. The "Free Fridays" concert series is presented by the City of Gainesville Department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs.

HuDost's original work ranges in style from "Alternative World Music" to a "Country and Eastern" fusion, merged

with an atmospheric, experimental sound. This is mixed with the rich, eclectic blending of traditional Sufi music, Bulgarian, Croatian, Macedonian and Balkan folk music, Farsi, Turkish, Arabic, folk, pop, rock and southern gospel.

HuDost has toured throughout the U.S., Canada and Europe, including shows in Turkey, and have performed extensively on the east coast doing shows at Alex Grey's Chapel of Sacred Mirrors (CoSM) in NYC, the Salvador Dali Museum, the Shakori GrassRoots Festival, Omega Institute, Rumi Festival, the Annenberg Center for the Performing Arts and many others. HuDost has also opened for the California Guitar Trio and Jefferson Starship and has worked with Omar Faruk Tekbilek, Neko Case and Mercan Dede.

The "Free Fridays" concerts run from 8 to 10 p.m. every Friday night this year from May 4 through October 12 at the Bo Diddley Community Plaza. The plaza is located in downtown Gainesville at the corner of Southeast First Street and East University Avenue. The complete schedule for "Free Fridays" can be found at www.gvlculturalaffairs.org.

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



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Hundreds turn out for library grand opening

LAKE CITY, Fla. – More than 300 people attended the grand opening of the new Wilson S. Rivers Library and Media Center at Florida Gateway College on Tuesday, April 17.

The \$8.5 million facility is the first new building on campus in nearly 20 years. The 38,707-square-foot facility is twice the size of the former library.

"This started as a forest ranger school, but today, people all over the world are taking classes through Florida Gateway College," said Randall W. Hanna, the chancellor of the Florida College System and one of the featured speakers at the grand opening.

FGC President Dr. Charles Hall, Board of Trustees Chairman Chuck Brannan, and Student Government Association President Ivan Aravelo also spoke.

Guests at the event included the sons of Wilson and Sophia Rivers, Wilson Jr. and Scott Rivers. Wilson Rivers was a college board of trustee member for 28 years, and his donation last year was the largest in the history of the college.

The grand opening ceremony concluded with the passing of the last book from the former library into the new facility. The book, the Holy Bible, was shelved by Jim Morris, executive director of library and community services.

The new, state-of-the-art facility features more computers for reference work, study rooms and a separate computer training classroom. It also boasts a 160-person conference room that can be divided for multiple meetings, a large atrium with leisure seating and a coffee bar, and an enhanced television studio.

An additional benefit to the new li-

brary is that it is open to all local residents and not a student-only library – anyone can obtain a library card to check out books and videos.

"Everyone is invited to get a library card at no expense and use this facility as your own library," Hall told those in attendance.



FGC Board of Trustees Chairman Chuck Brannan (center), flanked by members of the Lake City-Columbia County Chamber of Commerce and Florida Gateway College officials, prepares to cut the ribbon to officially open the Wilson S. Rivers Library and Media Center on Tuesday, April 17.



Florida College System Chancellor Randall Hanna speaks to a crowd gathered at the grand opening of the Wilson S. Rivers Library and Media Center at Florida Gateway College on Tuesday, April 17.

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NFCC honors top students

MADISON, FL – North Florida Community College's brightest students were honored during the college's Honors Convocation ceremony on April 9. Students from various academic areas and student organizations received recognition for outstanding achievement and character during the 2011-2012 academic year. NFCC faculty and staff announced each award recipient as NFCC President John Grosskopf and Dean of Academic Affairs Dr. Sharon Erle presented the awards.

Selena Phillips received NFCC's prestigious "Student of the Year" award. Phillips serves as the Student Government Association (SGA) President and is also a tutor and involved in many other organizations on campus. NFCC Dean of Academic Affairs Dr. Sharon Erle announced the award and shared insight into why this outstanding student was selected as Student of the Year.

"Selena Phillips, is an incredible young woman who

has clearly mastered the art of multitasking," said Erle.

Erle described Phillips as a busy mom of four children, maintains a high grade point average, is very active in multiple student organizations, and has been lead tutor for the College Prep mathematics redesign project.

"She is a care giving person, smart, assertive, and my redesign students enjoyed her smile, kindness and laughter," said NFCC College Preparatory Mathematics Instructor Efrain Bonilla. "She has such positive karma, that she is indeed the person you always want to hang out with all the time."

In addition to recognizing outstanding students, NFCC also named its 2011-2012 "Friend to the College." John Maultsby Jr. of Madison County was recognized for his many years of dedication and support to NFCC. Maultsby has served on the NFCC District Board of Trustees, representing Madison County, for

more than 10 years; beginning his service to the NFCC Board in June 1999.

NFCC's Honors Convocation ceremony is held annually in April to recognize outstanding students and celebrate student achievement prior to NFCC's Spring Term commencement ceremony in May.

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Protect skin from the worst weather has to offer

Regardless of what season it is, skin seems to bear the brunt of weather's wrath. Whether it's the sun beating down in the dog days of summer or the wind whipping around and causing skin to crack when the weather starts to turn cold, skin is never fully safe from the elements.

Each season poses its own unique challenges to skin, and this year figures to be no different. With fall and winter on the horizon, it's important for men and women to practice proper skin care in an effort to protect themselves from dry skin, which can be irritating and unsightly. Though an extra layer of clothing might hide dry, flakey skin from view, it won't do much to relieve the irritation and damage that result from severely dry skin. This fall and winter, consider the following tips to help the skin survive the woes of winter.

* Take quick, temperate showers. It might feel good to get in from the cold and take a hot bath or shower, but this actually breaks down lipid barriers in the skin, potentially robbing the skin of moisture. In lieu of a long, steamy bath or shower, take a quick shower in warm water.

* Moisturize every day. Moisturizers like O'Keeffe's Working Hands and O'Keeffe's for Healthy Feet are designed to relieve dry skin irritation, particularly on those areas of the body that are troublesome during the winter months. Look for creams that contain water and glycerin that will help to draw moisture into the skin and stimulate the body's natural repair process. Moisturizers that are non-greasy, non-oil based and fragrance free tend to work the best to repair dry skin. Oil-based creams will actually repel water that would otherwise hydrate the skin causing further damage.

Men and women should also make moisturizing a part of their nightly routine before going to bed. Skin

temperatures rise during sleep, resulting in increased circulation and healing, so be sure to moisturize each night before going to bed.

* Continue to protect skin from the sun. The sun is just as strong in winter as it is during the summer, and winter sun can do significant damage to unprotected skin, especially when winter sun combines with snow glare. Use a moisturizer with SPF throughout the winter, and apply it to both hands and face roughly 30 minutes before going outside.

* Wear a winter wardrobe. Protective clothing like gloves, scarves and thick socks not only keep us warm through the winter, they also keep skin safe as well. Strong winter winds and below freezing temperatures can damage the skin significantly, so bundle up when going outdoors. And be sure to avoid wet socks and gloves, which can irritate the skin and cause itching and cracking, and might even result in the formation of sores.

* Stay hydrated. Staying hydrated is another skin care pointer people primarily, and incorrectly, associate with summer. But staying hydrated is just as important in the winter as it is during the summer. Staying hydrated is important for overall health. Men and women who enjoy caffeinated beverages like coffee and soda should know that caffeine is a diuretic that draws water out of the skin. So be sure to counter caffeine consumption by drinking plenty of water.

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3rd annual Butterfly Memorial Service

Haven Hospice is hosting its 3rd annual Butterfly Memorial Service May 8 at 6 p.m. at the Suwannee Valley Haven Hospice Care Center at 6037 W. US Highway 90. This service is for families of patients who have passed away in the past year. Families are asked to bring mementos of their loved ones to put on display. A representative from each family will receive a butterfly to release as a symbol of letting go of their loss.

For more information, please contact the local Haven Hospice office at 352-378-2121.

Please do not hesitate to contact me or Haven Hospice for more information.

The McAlpin Community Club yard sale and fundraiser set for May 5

The McAlpin Community Club asks everyone to mark their calendars and come join us on Saturday, May 5, 2012, for our second yard sale and fundraising event. The sale, which will be held inside the club, runs from 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m., rain or shine.

The proceeds will help benefit the club's building fund, which is home to a variety of civic groups including two local 4-H Clubs, the McAlpin Community Club, Home and Community Education (HCE) Club and volunteer firefighters. If you would like to donate any items for this event call Barbara Parks at 362-3044.

The Club is located at 9981 170th Terrace in McAlpin, on the west side of US Hwy 129 between Live Oak and Branford, directly across the street from the Post Office and the McAlpin S & S Food Store.

Relay for Life Suwannee County

Relay is on May 18, 2012 starting at 6 p.m. at the Suwannee High School track. To learn more, visit the web page, www.relayforlife.org/suwanneefl

Individual Property Rights Agenda 21 Class

Have you noticed that your natural rights: individual, property, etc. are slowly being eroded? Have you ever wondered why? Join us for a class on Saturday, April 21, 2012 to learn why this is happening and what you can do about it. The class will be held at the Taylor Building, 128 SW Birley Ave. in Lake City from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Topics will include: Sustainable Communities, Climate Change, Education, Approaching Elected Officials about Agenda 21, an Action plan, and more. There is a \$5.00 registration fee (includes continental breakfast and refreshments), a Subway lunch will be available for an additional \$5.00.

Sign up at www.agenda21today.com or call 386-935-0821 for more information.

Suwannee Democratic Executive Committee

Our next meeting will be on Thursday, May 3, 2012 at 7:00 P.M. at the Suwannee Regional Library located at 1848 Ohio Ave South in Live Oak.

We will be holding an election to select delegates to represent us in Tampa on May 5, 2012 at the Suwannee Regional Library located at 1848 Ohio Ave South in Live Oak between 10:00 A.M and 2:00 P.M.

Haven Hospice

Compassionate Friends, a national bereavement organization that helps fami-

lies who have lost a child, is hosting a support group at Haven Hospice. The group, which began on March 19, will meet the third Monday of every month from 7-9 p.m. at the Suwannee Valley Hospice Care Center at 6037 US Highway 90 West. For more information, please call 386-697-0286 or email findhopetoday@gmail.com

Caregiver support group

Suwannee River Economic Council Inc., will be hosting a Caregiver Support Group meeting on Thursday, April 26 at 4 p.m. at the Suwannee Senior Center in Live Oak. The Senior Center is located on Nobles Ferry Road. All individuals who are involved in taking care of another adult are encouraged to attend.

Should you have questions or need additional information, do not hesitate to contact Sabrina Brock at 386-362-1164.

Healthy Horses Conference set for April 28

For anyone who owns horses or helps care for them, the Healthy Horses Conference offers an affordable way to get the latest information on significant equine health issues. Presented by the University of Florida's (UF's) College of Veterinary Medicine, the conference is taught by faculty experts but designed for laypeople.

It happens 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, April 28, at the UF vet school, 2015 SW 16th Ave. in Gainesville. Registration fees apply. Registration may be available at the door, but early registration is recommended, as space is limited.

Included at the conference are presentations on cervical spine arthritis, best deworming methods, equine vaccines, myths about equine nutrition, and rehabilitating lameness injuries.

There will also be an update on paralysis caused by equine herpes virus, panel Q&A sessions on preventative health care and equine lameness, a hospital tour, and demonstrations of the lameness locator and high-speed treadmill.

The Tallahassee Orchid Society

Present it's annual ORCHID SHOW AND SALE on April 21 and April 22, 2012 at the Doyle Conner Agricultural Center, 3125 Conner Blvd. (corner Capital Circle and Conner Blvd.), Tallahassee, FL. The hours of the show and sale are from Saturday, 10 AM until 5 PM and Sunday, from noon until 5 PM. This is a great opportunity to buy orchids and orchid supplies and talk with the growers. There should be someone available to help pot or repot your orchids for a fee. The admission is free - donations accepted. For more information see www.tallyorchid.org or call Harriet at 850-320-6566.

Are you interested in researching your family history?

Jinnie Hancock, president of the Suwannee Valley Genealogical Society will be presenting a program on Family History Research: Starting with the Basics on Thursday, April 12, 2012 from 6:30pm-8:00pm at the Suwannee River Regional Library.

Suwannee County Voter's League 2012 Annual Banquet

The Suwannee County Voter's League will have its 2012 Annual Banquet on May 4, 2012 at 7 p.m. at

the Suwannee County Coliseum Exhibition Hall 2. The keynote speaker will be the Rev. Dr. Rodney L. Brown, pastor of St. John Missionary Baptist Church in Providence, Florida.

For more information contact: Deacon Jessie Philpot at 386-362-4540 or Rev. Charles Burke at 386-362-4194.

Suwannee County Health Department

Effective April 27, 2012, the Suwannee County Health Department will be making some changes to the clinic services that we provide. The health department has experienced a recent workforce reduction. We will be working with fewer staff and can no longer provide all services every day of the week. These changes are necessary due to budget reductions. General nursing visits, which include immunizations, STDs, Family Planning supply visits, medication pick-up, TB skin tests, lab testing, obtaining lab test results and pregnancy testing will continue to be provided, however; these services will only be available Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. These "general nursing" services will be available between the hours of 8:00-11:00 and 1:00-4:00, with the exception of STD services which will be available from 8-10:00 and 1:00-3:00. The Suwannee County Health Department continues our commitment to protect and promote the health of all residents and visitors in Suwannee County.

Book and bake sale

As the days get warmer and we think about relaxing and reading a good book, it's time to prepare for the semi-annual used book and bake sale at the Wellborn community library. The book and bake sale will be held June 2 as part of the Wellborn Blueberry Festival.

But before there is a book sale, the library (located at the Wellborn United Methodist Church on Route 137 north of downtown) is actively soliciting donations of books. Organizers hope to have thousands of books available on many subjects, but to make that possible, they are actively soliciting used books during April and May. It doesn't matter whether you have a dozen or hundreds of books, the library needs them.

Please consider cleaning out your bookshelves and donating hardbound or paperback books (books on any subject, fiction and non-fiction, but no encyclopedias, please!). Books can either be dropped at the library (located in the church fellowship hall) between 9 and noon on Tuesdays, or pickup can be arranged at no cost.

If you have books to donate and would like to have them picked up, call Wellborn UMC co-pastor Rev. Dr. Everett L. Parker at 386-754-8524. Proceeds from the book and bake sale will benefit the library and the Wellborn United Methodist Church's outreach programs.

Native Plants, Native People

Presented by Barbara Hines. Barbara will discuss how the native people and early settlers in Florida used the native plants of this region. She is a Registered Professional Archaeologist and the Outreach Coordinator for the North Central Region of the Florida Public Archaeology Network (FPAN). She spe-

cializes in historic archaeology of the 19th and early 20th century. Her interests include the turpentine and lumber industry, early Florida architecture, and Southeastern Indian communities.

For more information contact: President: Carol Sullivan, 386-364-9309, csullivan12@windstream.net, et, for more information on the Florida Native Plant Society: www.fnps.org.

The purpose of the Florida Native Plant Society is to promote the preservation, conservation and plant restoration of the native plant communities.

Arts & Crafts Vendors Wanted for Wellborn Blueberry Festival

The Wellborn Community Association is calling for arts and crafts vendors for the 19th Annual Wellborn Blueberry Festival to be held Friday and Saturday, June 1 and 2, 2012. This year's festival will start at 2:00pm on Friday and continues through Saturday until 5:00pm. Contact Wendell Snowden at 386-963-1157, e-mail at wendellsnowden@prodigy.net, visit www.wellborncommunityassociation.com or find us on Facebook.

Annie's Project: Farm/Ranch Women Workshop

The UF/IFAS Columbia/Suwannee County Extensions is offering a 6 week course for farm/ranch women risk management. Annie's Project is designed to help farm/ranch women gain the understanding and knowledge necessary to be active and involved farm partners and to help them find new ways to balance the demands of family, community and professionalism within the Ag community. Classes to be held on Fridays from April 13 through May 18, 10 AM to 1:30 PM at the Suwannee Valley Agricultural Extension Center. Cost is \$40 for the series. Spaces are limited. Please call Jenny Jump at (386) 752-5384 or Mary Sowerby 386-362-2771 to register or for more info.

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Mayo ACS Relay for Life Seeking teams

Team meetings on the fourth Thursday each month at 6 p.m. at Cornerstone Baptist Church.

The event is scheduled for April 27-28 at Mayo Town Park.

If your team is not registered, please come to the next meeting to get registered.

If you are interested in forming a team or you are raising money and do not desire to have a site the night of relay, please still register so that we can have a record of your work and dedication. Also, we will know what fundraisers you are doing so we can share with the others and community.

Thank you for your support and dedication.

Come paddle with us! Suwannee River Paddle for Autism

Saturday, April 28, 2012

The first Suwannee River Paddle for Autism will start at 9 a.m. - noon at Highway 51 Bridge near Mayo for a 3 to 5 hour trip to Suwannee River Rendezvous Resort and Campground. A \$10 donation includes entertainment and raffle for prizes - grand prize is a Perception Prodigy 10.0 Kayak. There will be live entertainment by recording artist, Mean Mary (meanmary.com) from 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. For boat rental or lodging information call 386-294-1319 or online at canoe-suwannee.com or suwanneeriverrendezvous.com or 386-294-2510.

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Proceeds from donations to be provided to: www.c.a.r.d.u.f.l.e.d.u www.facebook.com/UF-CARD for autism services in the Lafayette County area.

Alzheimer's Support Group

First Tuesday of each month at 11 a.m. at Surrey Place Care Center.

The Center is located at 110 Lee Ave. SE in Live Oak.

Call Lester Curry at 386-364-5961 for more information.

Live Oak Garden Club

Meets on the 3rd Friday of each month, September through May for a luncheon and a program for "all gardeners". The Live Oak Garden Club is also an ideal location and facility for a wedding reception, baby shower, family reunion, suitable for any event up to 100 people. Visit our website at www.liveoakfloridagardenclub.com or phone Sara at 386-364-4189 for additional information.

Suwannee River Jeep Club & 4X4

SRJC 4X4 is a new off-road club dedicated to Jeeps but open to other makes of 4X4's. We are looking for members that enjoy off-loading activity. We are a family oriented club that have monthly meetings and organize other activities such as trail rides, camping, mud events and fundraising events. Please contact Sarah or Cat at srjc4X4@gmail.com for more info. 386-688-3750 (Sarah).

Save the Cats Live Oak Volunteers needed!

T.N.R. campaign to save Live Oaks ferret cats has been started. Ferret and stray cats will be trapped, neutered and returned to where they were trapped. All kittens & friendly cats will be adopted out.

Donations needed: Cat food, wet & dry, money for neutering, traps, carriers, cages, food & water containers etc. Anyone interested in helping in any way

please contact Barney or Sherry at 386-364-1006. Donated items may be taken to the Big Wheel Market Place at 127 W Howard St.

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 <http://ombudsman.myflorida.com>.

The Sparkleberry Chapter

Of the Florida Native Plant Society - meets the second Tuesday of each month, 6:30 p.m., Hatch Park Community Center, 403 SE Craven St., Branford. All are welcome. For information call 386-364-9309.

Grief recovery is a painful process.

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Surrey Place Care Center in Live Oak is looking for interested volunteers who would like to share their time and talents with our senior adults. Volunteers enrich the lives of our residents and staff by brightening their days in so many ways!

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Please join us. Surrey Place Care Center Teri Christian, Quality of Life Director 386-364-5961 act.surrey@signaturehealthcarellc.com

The Arc North Florida

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For more information please contact the AWD supervisor Lisa Perry at 386-208-1404

The McAlpin Community Club

The Club is located at 9981 170th Terrace in McAlpin, directly across from the Post Office. Membership fees are \$10.00 per family per year.

For info call Barbara Parks @ 362-3044 or Debbie Phillips @ 364-7028

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Bingo

Hosted by the American Legion Post 107. Every Tuesday. Early games are at 3 p.m. and evening games are at 7 p.m. Take Hwy. 129, six miles south of Live Oak, turn left at the BINGO sign, then one mile.

American Legion Post Meeting

First Thursday of each month at noon. All military veterans are invited to join us. Contact Randall White for information at 386-984-6245.

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 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.

REVISION for Feb., March, April, May

The Senior Citizens will meet at the regular time (the first Monday) in Feb. & March. There will be NO meeting in April because of the fair. Also, the meeting for May will be changed to Mon., May 14th, because of elections. All meetings are at 10:30 a.m. in the W. Annex at the Suwannee County Coliseum. Don't forget the changes for April and May. All other meetings will be on the first Mon. of each month at 10:30 a.m. at the Coliseum unless notified. Please call 386-330-6319 if any questions.

Artist Guild

The meetings are held at Suwannee High School at 6:30 p.m. the first Tuesday of each month.

The ARC of North Florida Event dates: 3/24/12 14th Annual Lawn Mower Race 5/11/12 The Arc North Florida Golf Tournament www.arcnfl.com

Addiction Support Group:

Greater Visions faith-based addictions support group meets weekly in two locations. Meetings are held on Tuesday nights at 7:00 PM in Lake City at the Christ Central Church building on Sister's Welcome Road. The group also meets Thursday mornings at 9:30 AM in Live Oak at the Suwannee Coalition office located at 208 North Ohio Avenue. 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 208-1345.

Grief Support group offered at Antioch Baptist Church

GriefShare recovery and support group

Will begin meeting at Antioch Baptist Church in Live Oak each Tuesday at 10 a.m. The church is located at 5203 CR 795 (Boys Ranch Road). GriefShare is 13 weeks starting March 6th ending May 29th, non-denominational group that features Biblical teaching on grief and recovery topics. You can begin the GriefShare sessions at any time. Please call Antioch Church (386) 362-3101 or Kathy Bauman (386) 362-3823 for more information.

Elks Monday Bingo

At Live Oak Elks Lodge 1165, 415 East Howard St. Live Oak. Early sessions 3 p.m. - 6 p.m. and the payout will be on a percentage basis. Late sessions: 7 p.m. - 10 p.m. There will be 29 games each paying \$50. One progressive jackpot either \$50 or \$250. One Bonanza paying \$50. One extra large jackpot starting at \$300 if won on the last number called from the Bonanza game - \$100 consolation prize. Kitchen will be open from 4-8 p.m.

Wellborn neighborhood watch

We meet the last Thursday of each month at the Blake Lowe Building on 4th. Avenue in Wellborn. We start with a social get together at 7:00 PM with a covered dish dinner and have a relaxed general discussion on the events in the community. Immediately following dinner we have an invited speaker to broaden our knowledge of what is happening in our county. Each month we have a speaker that will be interesting and informative.

Call Ruth Ford @ 386-963-5334 if you have any questions.

Are you a time traveler?

Wish you could travel back in time? Explore Suwannee County's past with historian Eric Musgrove as he tells of the area's unique history and legends featuring photos, maps and memorabilia. The free presentations are held on the first Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm at the Suwannee County Historical Museum located just north of the railroad tracks in Live Oak in the old train depot. For more information call Randy Torrence (362-1776) or Eric Musgrove (842-2174).

The Suwannee Coalition

Has changed our annual meeting schedule. We will no longer be meeting monthly. We will meet quarterly - four times per year. Here are the remaining dates we will meet in the upcoming fiscal year: April 5, 2012

The Lake DeSoto farmers market

Lake City, FL. The Lake DeSoto Farmers Market is open every Saturday from 8am to 1 p.m. in Wilson Park, located along Lake DeSoto between the Columbia County Courthouse and Shands Lakeshore Hospital. For more information about the Lake DeSoto Farmer Market call 386-697-2176 or 386-719-5766.

Alcohol Anonymous Live Oak Group

Voting precinct building, Nobles Ferry Road, Live Oak, FL. Tuesday, Thursday (BBS) and Friday 8 p.m. Contact Rosemary 386-362-6338 or Carl at 386-362-4221.

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gion Post 107 Every Tuesday, 3 p.m. early games, 7 p.m. evening games. Take Hwy 129, 6 miles south of Live Oak, turn left at the BINGO sign, then 1 mile.

Grief support group

Meeting weekly at First Baptist Church in Live Oak at 6 pm on Wednesdays. Call 362-1583 for more information. Non-denominational - everyone welcome. This is an on-going support group and I would appreciate you placing it in your publication through the fall.

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.wellborn-baptist.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.

The Lafayette Republican Executive Committee

Meets the second Monday of each month at the Lafayette Public Library, 120 NE Crawford Street, Mayo, at 7:00 pm. Everyone interested in promoting conservative principles are invited to attend. For more information, please call Carolyn Land at 935-0174.

The Columbia Federated Republican Women

Meet the 2nd Monday of each month, 7p.m., brown bag dinner & social time at 6:30 p.m. 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://HYPERLINK) <http://ombudsman.myflorida.com>.

Christian Mission In Action Ministry

Will serve dinners from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. second Saturday of every month at Hale Park Recreation Center at 105 East Duval St., Live Oak, FL. For information call Audrey Howell @ 386-364-4560.

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. Coop. 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 Break-

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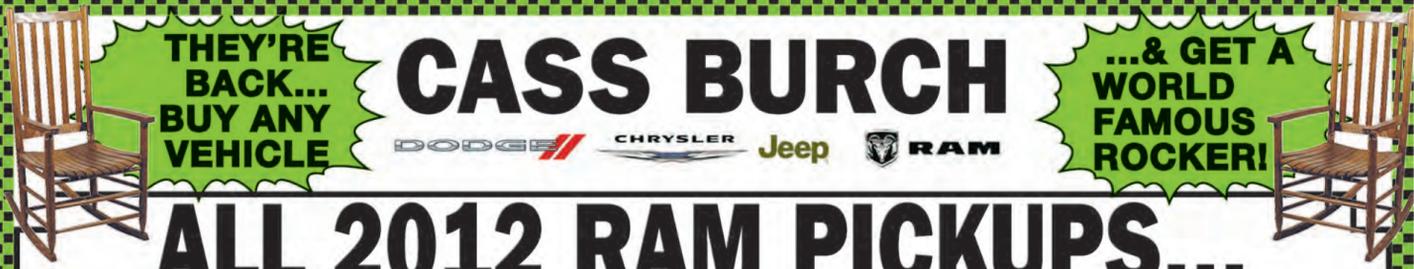
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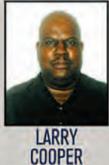
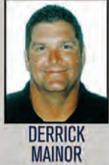
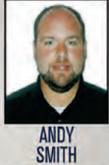
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New surgical technology

Shands Lake Shore Regional Medical Center only hospital in Alachua, Bradford, Columbia and Suwannee counties to offer MAKOpasty® partial knee resurfacing

Minimally invasive procedure for early to mid-stage osteoarthritis may provide quicker recovery and more natural feeling knee post-surgery

LAKE CITY, FL – Shands Lake Shore Regional Medical Center is offering MAKOpasty® partial knee resurfacing, a minimally invasive treatment option for adults living with early to mid-stage osteoarthritis that has not yet progressed to all three compartments of the knee. MAKOpasty is less invasive than traditional total knee surgery and is performed using RIO®, a highly advanced, surgeon controlled robotic arm system. Shands Lake Shore is the only hospital to acquire this technology in Alachua, Bradford, Columbia and Suwannee Counties.

MAKOpasty potentially offers the following benefits as compared to total knee surgery:

- Reduced pain.
- Minimal hospitalization.
- More rapid recovery.
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- Smaller scar.
- Better motion and a more natural feeling knee.

“MAKOpasty allows us to treat patients with knee osteoarthritis at earlier stages and with greater precision. Because it is less invasive and preserves more of the patient’s natural knee, the goal is for patients to have relief from their pain, gain back their knee motion, and return to their daily activities,” said Jack Cohen, D.O., Orthopaedic surgeon at Shands Lake Shore.

Through its innovative use of technology,

MAKOpasty takes partial knee resurfacing to a new level of precision.

The RIO® system enables the surgeon to complete a patient specific pre-surgical plan that details the technique for bone preparation and customized implant positioning using a CT scan of the patient’s own knee. During the procedure, the system creates a three-dimensional, virtual view of the patient’s bone surface and correlates the image to the pre-programmed surgical plan. As the surgeon uses the robotic arm, its tactile, auditory and visual feedback limits the bone preparation to the diseased areas and provides for real time adjustments and more optimal implant positioning and placement for each individual patient.

“Precision is key in planning and performing partial knee surgeries,” said Dr. Cohen. “For a good outcome you need to align and position the implants just right. Precision in surgery, and in the pre-operative planning process, is what RIO can deliver, for each individual patient.”

The opportunity for early intervention is important as osteoarthritis is the most common form of arthritis and a leading cause of disability worldwide, according to the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons.

For more information about MAKOpasty and how to attend any of our free lecture, please visit ShandsLakeShore.com

About Shands Lake Shore Regional Medical Center:

Located in Lake City, Shands Lake Shore is a 99-bed acute care hospital that provides a wide range of healthcare programs. These programs include but are not limited to: cardiology, obstetrics, orthopaedics, pediatrics, physical therapy, radiology and surgery. Since 1911, Shands Lake Shore has provided residents of Lake City, Co-

lumbia County and surrounding counties with the medical services they need. The hospital brings together a healthcare team that reflects its commitment to excellence

in patient care. Shands Lake Shore is fully accredited by The Joint Commission, the nation’s predominant standards-setting and accrediting body in healthcare.

17th Annual ExZOOberation Gala:

An enchanted evening at the Jacksonville Zoo and Gardens April 28, 2012

The Jacksonville Zoo and Gardens’ annual fundraiser is set for Saturday, April 28th from 6:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. In the unique setting of the Zoo, this casual, adult gala is one of Jacksonville’s premier events, having raised over \$2.8 million for the care and feeding of the Zoo’s animals, as well as its educational programs, conservation and community enhancement initiatives.

This year’s theme, An Enchanted Evening, celebrates the Zoo’s spring exhibit, Butterfly Hollow. Guests will experience a magical night under the stars with cocktails and gourmet fare by Designed Events, as well as dancing to the live music of The Bush Doctors. ExZOOberation also boasts highly popular silent and live auctions, featuring one-of-a-kind animal experiences

and private Zoo parties, as well as the opportunity to name the Zoo’s new baby giraffe. Other featured items include tickets to the 2013 Master’s golf tournament, a private culinary experience with Ponte Vedra Inn and Club’s executive chef, Chef Muller, and a trip to Chalk Hill Estates Vineyard and Winery in California.

“I love ExZOOberation! It is such a great time of year to spend an evening here - great food, great music, and people who love our Zoo,” said Tony Vecchio, executive director of Jacksonville Zoo and Gardens. “And this year with Butterfly Hollow open, it is going to be even more magical.”

Tickets begin at \$100 for junior patrons and \$175 for adults. Select packages can be purchased by visiting jacksonvillezoo.org or by calling the Development Department at 904-757-4463, ext. 196. Tables of eight are also available for purchase.

For nearly a century, the Jacksonville Zoo and Gardens has been dedicated to inspiring the discovery and appreciation of wildlife through innovative experiences in a caring environment. Starting in 1914 with an animal collection that consisted of one red deer fawn, the Jacksonville Zoo and Gardens now has more than 2,000 rare and exotic animals and 1,000 plants. It has won national acclaim for its South American Range of the Jaguar exhibit and has the largest botanical garden in Northeast Florida. The Jacksonville Zoo is a non-profit organization and is an accredited member of the Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA). It is open year-round, seven days a week, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. except Christmas day, and is located on Jacksonville’s north side at 370 Zoo Parkway, one-half mile east from I-95. For more information on the Zoo, log on to www.jacksonvillezoo.org

Florida Teacher Community expands resources

-New launchpad applications available to educators across the state-

TALLAHASSEE – The Florida Department of Education (FLDOE) Teacher Community, in partnership with Novachi, is enhancing resources available to Florida’s educators through an online launchpad with applications and collaborative tools designed to help teachers in the classroom. Last week, the Teacher Classroom Collaboration (TCC) tool was added to the launchpad. The TCC is a social learning platform

designed to facilitate online education by providing virtual classrooms on top of a social network. This innovative application combines the best social networking features with private classroom-level security to create a whole new way to learn and communicate.

“The new Teacher Classroom Collaboration tool will allow teachers to connect directly with parents and students online by simply adding their information to the virtual interface,” said FLDOE Deputy Director of Educator Relations Kelly Seay. “This

type of collaboration is important because it enhances the level of teacher communication with parents and encourages involvement in their child’s learning routine.”

Teacher Classroom Collaboration enables teachers to work with students and parents in a classroom-like setting with confidence that the classroom activities are private. Teachers have the ability to create new classes, invite students and parents, and act as the administrator for their newly created virtual classrooms. Students can find their list of classes, participate in classroom ac-

tivities and discussions, upload assignments, review shared content, class requirements and calendars, access learning trees (created by teachers or fellow peers), and view photos and videos.

Teachers who already have an account on Florida’s Teacher Community through Novachi will automatically view the new Teacher Classroom Collaboration application on the launchpad. For more information about Florida’s Teacher Community, please visit <http://www.fl DOE.org/justforteachers/>.

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Calendar of Events

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fast 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.

Auxiliary of the American Legion Post 107

Hosting Wall of Honor 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 branches, we would like to honor him/her by posting a picture and name on our Wall of Honor. It will be located in the American Legion main hall on post 107, the same building bingo is currently held. Please send name, rank and branch of service, along with current photograph, to Teri Hamilton, Americanism Committee Chairman, Legion Auxiliary, 12364 146th Terrace, Live Oak, Florida 32060. 386-362-7978.

Addiction Support Group

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

The 2nd Tuesday of every month beginning at 11, there is a senior luncheon with a special speaker and music. Everyone is invited to come and bring a covered dish. 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.

Lake Park Line Dancers

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

Line dance

Lessons at Uncle Freddy's, Lake Park next to KOA Office Across from Outlet Mall I-75 at Twin Lakes Blvd. (Hwy. 376) 5274 Jewell Futch Rd. 2nd Friday/mo. 7 - 8 pm., 4th Saturday/mo. 7 - 8 pm. For more information contact: talbot483@gmail.com or call: 229/455-2267

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Pickin' & Grinnin'

Every Saturday 6 p.m. Spirit of the Suwannee Music Park

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 until 11 p.m. Is there a baby shower, wedding reception, holiday party or other event coming up? Please call Julie at 362-7303 to reserve your date and time. Make a wonderful memory.

Narcotics Anonymous Road to Recovery Group

Meets Tuesday at 7 p.m. and Friday at 7:30 p.m. First United Methodist Church, 311 South Ohio Ave. Live Oak, FL, Help Line 352-376-8008 or 866-352-5323, <http://uncoastna.org> The Road to Recovery Group is not affiliated with First United Methodist Church.

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.

Free English Classes

Clases de Ingles - Gratis, aprenden, Pronunciacion, Conversacion -Clases empiesan el 8 de Agosto, 2011, cada lunes y jueves, 7 -9 p.m. Maestra Felicia Doty y el equipo, 386-249-0096. Las clases van estar en la Iglesia Episcopal, San Lukas, 1391 SW 11th St., (Se encuennta la Iglesia en frente del hospital en Live Oak).

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.

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.

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Free Sunday lunch Live Oak

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. We need volunteers to help set up and serve the meals. If you are interested in volunteering you may contact Pat and Jo Ann Lynch at (386) 935-3343.

Free Sunday lunch Hamilton County

A group headed up by Pat and JoAnn Lynch will be serving a free lunch at the Civic Center in Jasper, on the 2nd Sunday of the month. We need volunteers to help set up and serve the meals. If you are interested in volunteering you may contact Pat and Jo Ann Lynch at (386) 935-

1076 or Roger Burnside at (386) 935-3343.

Did you earn your pin?

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National Contact:

United States Submarine Veterans, PO Box 3870 Silverdale, WA 98383 or 1-877-542-DIVE or www.ussvi.org. Local contact: W. Ray Rausch, 386-209-1473, uss483@windstream.net, 10035 105th Drive, Live Oak, FL 32060.

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.

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

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 donors 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 and 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.

TABE tests

Monday - Thursday Monday - Thursday at 5 p.m. (by 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.

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