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County commission round-up

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On Tuesday, Nov. 20, the Suwannee County Board of County Commissioners met for their bi-monthly meeting, but only their second meeting inside the recently constructed Judicial Annex Building. Here's a round-up of what took place:

Welcome new board members

The board welcomed two new members to the panel, Jason Bashaw and Ricky Gamble Jr. Bashaw filled the chair recently held by former County Commissioner Jesse Caruthers. Gamble will take former County Commissioner Ivie Fowler's place, who gave up the chair for retirement.

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Six candidates take oath at swearing-in ceremony

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Recent elected officials stood before Judge David Fina on Tuesday, Nov. 20, inside a Suwannee County Courtroom to take oath before the judge and a packed room full of family and friends.

Suwannee County Sheriff Tony Cameron opened the court just before Ryan Vermilyea, youth pastor at First Bap-

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LOFD COLLECTS TOYS FOR KIDS

Sparky needs your help

"Last year, we gave away 474 bags of toys to needy children. We don't want to see any kid go without on Christmas."

Live Oak Fire Department Safety and Training Officer Alan Bedenbaugh

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Live Oak Fire Department Safety and Training Officer Alan Bedenbaugh and the LOFD will be having their

annual drive for Toys for Sparky's Kids, a program that is designed to provide children in Suwannee County with toys for Christmas. The program kicked off on Monday, Nov. 26 and will

end on Dec. 18 when all bags of toys have been handed out.

"I'm really excited about this year and I know the people of Suwannee County are too," Bedenbaugh said. "Last year, we gave away 474 bags of toys to needy children. We don't want to see any kid go without on Christmas."

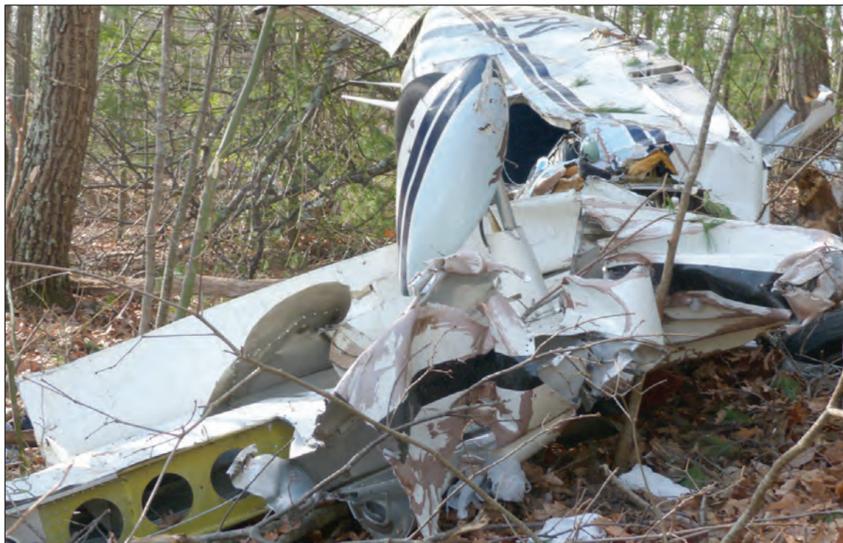
Unlike most programs that

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A Toys for Sparky's Kids collection box sits in the offices of the Suwannee Democrat.

Plane crash claims life of two locals



A plane crash in Canton, Conn. claimed the life of Donald and Josephine Derocher of Live Oak.

- Photo: John Fitts/canton-ct.patch.com

By Bryant Thigpen

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A Live Oak couple, Donald Derocher, 73, and Josephine Derocher, 74, were killed in a small plane crash in Canton, Conn., on Monday, Nov. 19.

According to a press release by the Canton Police Department, at approximately 8 p.m., the PD began to investigate the possibility of a crashed

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Donald Derocher stands beside the plane in an undated photo.

Sommers named public safety director

By Bryant Thigpen
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Sommers

Suwannee County Fire/Rescue's James Sommers was officially appointed to the position of Public Safety Director

at the Suwannee County Board of County Commissioners meeting on Nov. 20.

Sommers was previously the interim PSD. "I look forward to the challenge and serving the citizens of Suwannee County," Sommers told the Democrat.

Sommers has been a resident of Suwannee County since 1994. He came to SCFR in 2001 as a firefighter/EMT and became a paramedic in 2010. Sommers was promoted to lieutenant in 2008 and captain in 2011. He worked for

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SRWMD and FGS discuss springshed delineation

As part of its ongoing efforts to protect springs and to restore impaired springs, the Suwannee River Water Management

District (District), and the Florida Geological Survey (FGS), an office within the Florida Department of Environmen-

tal Protection, met to discuss springshed delineation.

FGS described various methods that are used to

determine the boundaries of springsheds in the District. Presently, only a

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Old Tyme tractor



Old Tyme Farm Days organizer Cher Register sits atop her John Deere tractor during the event at The Spirit of the Suwannee Music Park Nov. 23-24. See more in Focus. Page 10,11C. Courtesy photo

CHRISTMAS IN CANDY LAND

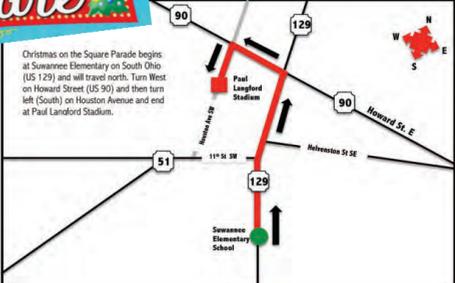
28th Annual Christmas on the Square is Dec. 1

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Land on Saturday, Dec. 1 which is the theme for this year's Christmas on the Square. This event will

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the South Walton Fire District in 1998 for three years.

Members of the board raved about the job he has

done since he took over as an interim.

"I think he's done an excellent job," County Administrator Randy Harris said.

"James has worked hard

to make the department run more efficiently, and I'm really pleased with his work," Chairman Wesley Wainwright stated.

The board voted unanimously to award him the

position.

SCFR has 36 dedicated personnel and a budget of about \$3.5 million, providing fire and rescue services

with four full-time stations and six volunteer stations, covering all of Suwannee County.

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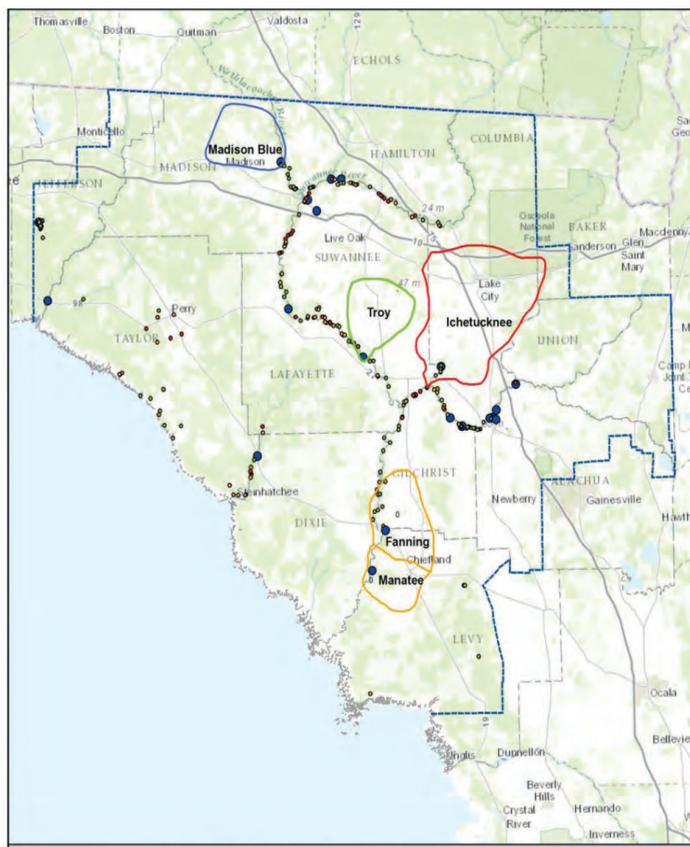
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handful of springsheds have been delineated. The surface water basins and ground water basins that contribute to the discharge of a spring is called springshed.

The District has the highest concentration of springs and contains the most first magnitude springs in the state. Ac-

cording to the District's Water Resources Director Erich Marzolf, "delineating springsheds helps to prioritize and focus attention for protecting and restoring springs".

The high density of springs throughout the District makes it complicated to delineate springsheds for each spring. Marzolf explained that "in some areas where there a cluster of

springs it may be best to delineate a springshed corridor rather than trying to determine individual springsheds".

The District is exploring options to expand and enhance springshed delineations throughout the District. The determination of springsheds will improve meaningful water resource management of our springs.

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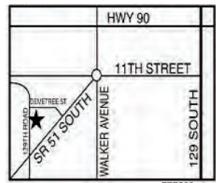
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The following abbreviations are used below:

- 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

Nov. 20, Corey Allen Turner, 26, 304 Sw Curtain Lane, Ft. White, FL, disorderly conduct: SCSO-W. Kelly

Nov. 20, Joseph Michael Horne, 24, 428 Ne Lee Ave, Live Oak, FL, vop-o/c drug off w/i 1000 daycare; poss oxy w/i sell & contraband into jail, Columbia co-vop o/c poss controlled subst & dui: SCSO- C. Smith

Nov. 20, James T Herring, 29, 712 S.e. 455 Ave, Old Town, FL, petit theft, poss drug para, unlawful poss listed chem: SCSO-D. Stevenson

Nov. 20, Christopher Boyd, 29, 280 cutler Glenn, Lake City, FL, vop sale cocaine w/1000ft place of worship, vop poss cocaine w/i sell: SCSO-T Ford

Nov. 20, Julius Jafare Hutchins, 22, 2315 Jackson Bluff Rd, Tallahassee, FL, vop-dwls/r Y resist w/o violence * \$150.00 cash bond to svps*: SCSO- A. Loston

Nov. 20, Paul Joseph Gibson III, 25, 815 Hamilton Ave, Live Oak, FL, vop o/c dui & petit theft, vop o/c dwls/r, cash bond, 1st app—pd app per wfw:

SCSO-T. Smith
 Nov. 20, Sparkles Shamirra Harris, 28, 3304 E Wilder St, Tampa, FL, vop-dealing in stolen property: trafficking, bond revocation per Judge Collins: SCSO-M. Jelks

Nov. 21, Cole Scott Carter, 19, 5743 Bulb Farm Rd., Wellborn, FL, retail theft, poss contl sub w/o prescr: SCSO-E. Padgett

Nov. 21, Cindy Renee Jenkins, 39, 3617 West Tower Road, Live Oak, FL, felony criminal mischief: SCSO- C. Tompkins

Nov. 21, Edward Jesus Garcia, 48, 177 NE 595 St, Old Town, FL, battery, burglary of dwelling, ftc w/sex offender reg: SCSO- M. Henry

Nov. 21, Shawn Lee Blitchington, 39, 1072 Janelle River Rd, Folkston, GA, vop o/c dwls/r: SCSO-T. Smith

Nov. 23, Charles Lee Mims, 63, 511 16th St. S, St. Petersburg, FL, dl expired +6 months, dui w/property damage, felony dui 3rd offence, felony dwls/r habitual, 1st app-pd app per wfw: FHP-A. Hughes

Nov. 24, Christopher R Arcia, 21, 15479 97th Dr., Live Oak, FL, agg assault w/firearm, agg assault/ w firearm, 1st app—pd app per wfw: SCSO- J. Zimmerman

Nov. 26, Michael Dwayne Butler, 51, 5309 S Us Hwy 441, Lake City, FL, vop o/c battery-dom viol, cash only bond-\$350.00: SCSO- A. Loston

Nov. 26, Aniel Jacquely, 24, 1303 Ocila Rd Apt 150, Tallahassee, FL, no valid dl, dwlsr (1st off): FHP- A. Hughes

LOTTERY RESULTS

Florida
CASH 3 PLAY 4
 11/26/12 .0,5,0 11/26/12 8,0,2,8
FANTASY 5
 11/26/12 11,17,18,27,33
MEGA MONEY 2,17,19,41, MB5
LOTTO 26,28,36,41,50,51,x4
POWERBALL 22,32,37,44,50 PB34

SCFR calls for service from 11/18/12 @ midnight to 11/24/12 @midnight

Total calls for service: 99

Medical Calls 81

- Cardiac: 8
- Trauma: 10
- Motor vehicle crash: 13
- Miscellaneous medical call: 15
- Respiratory: 14
- Weakness: 4
- Seizure: 3
- Altered Mental Status: 5
- Abdominal Pain/N/V: 2
- Standby: 1
- Death: 1
- Diabetic: 5

Fire Calls 18

- Smoke investigation: 4
- Motor vehicle crash: 8
- Brush Fire: 2
- Hazmat: 1
- Power line down: 2
- Structure Fire: 1

Volunteer Fire Responses: 10

Engine-1 medical calls in Rescue 6:1

Introducing . . . Baby Hillwig!

We're pleased to present Dillan and Wyatt's baby sister with a bundle of well wishes and love to share!

Regan Lorraine Hillwig
 Born: October 14, 2012
 10:51 p.m. | 6 lbs. 13 oz.
 Women's Center- Gainesville

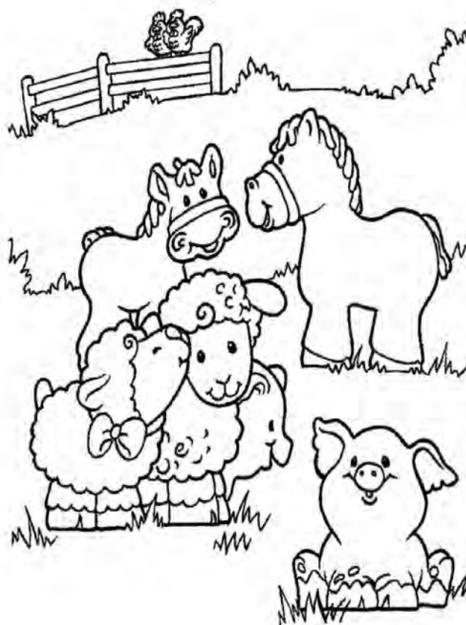
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Toys for Sparky's kids box location

A lot of joy to spread around

This time of year we see a lot of generous people that take time out of their busy schedules to help bring the joy of Christmas to a child or family in need.

We can't express to you how many right here in our area are in need. And good people like those at the Live Oak Fire Department are doing what they can to make sure some of those needs are filled. Hundreds of kids will once again be on Sparky's Toys for Kids list. Each child on the list will receive a bag of toys.

Staff at the *Suwannee*

Democrat in Live Oak is doing what they can to help. Employees are being encouraged to bring at least one new gift for a child to work for donation to Sparky's Kids. We will also have a box at the office for toys to be donated from the public. Our address is 211 Howard St. East, Live Oak, FL 32064. We're kind of catty-corner across the street from the Dixie Grill.

When you're thinking of those on your list, don't forget the ones who are really in need.

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Roscoe and Mary Davis*



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Roscoe and Mary 2012

Roscoe, Mary and children invite all family and friends to help celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary. Roscoe and Mary were married on

Nov. 30, 1952. A reception will be held Sunday, Dec. 2 from 2-5 at Beulah Baptist Church in the fellowship hall.

The Village Church in Dowling Park will present its annual Christmas Cantata



God Speaks

"Word of the Father now in flesh appearing."

For more than 35 years, this musical has drawn people from North Florida and South Georgia. This is an intergenerational event, with a cast and production crew of over 75 children, teens and adults, combining in drama and singing to capture the Christmas story in a fresh new way each year. A three-octave handbell choir is also featured along with trumpets, guitar, percussion, piano and

organ. If you want to begin your Christmas season with an inspirational music and worship experience, please join us. All are welcome.

Saturday, Dec. 8 at 6:30 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 9 at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Tickets for this year's program can be obtained at no cost for the Saturday evening and Sunday afternoon performances at the Village Church office (386-658-5344) or at The Music Center in Live Oak. Tickets are not required for the Sunday morning performance.

Suwannee Amateur (ham) Club will be at Christmas on the Square



Ron, KK4HGY, and his wife, Mary, at a recent tailgating party. Courtesy photo

The local ham club will have a booth in front of Down Town Café, 229 West Howard Street (US Hwy 90) during Christmas on the Square. Please stop by and

say hello, listen to short-wave communications, and heck - perhaps even talk on the radio yourself!

This is a local club with hams having divergent in-

terests such as HF, VHF, microwave, TV, PSK-31, experimentation, circuit design, tower construction and repair. One such adventurer even made his 120-ft.

tower into a 160mHz antenna. Yes, the tower is actually his antenna!

The club meets monthly at Beaver Dump Truck Services, 1735 Helveston Avenue, Live Oak, on the first Tuesday of each month. A social is held at 6 p.m., with the official meeting beginning at 6:30 p.m.

The club offers testing for those interested, and is hoping to offer a "ham-cram" one-day course in the future.

Visit its website at www.suwanneearc.org.

Listen to our emergency/training net every Thursday, 8:30 p. m., on the local 145.27-(PL 123.0) repeater.

Please remember us this Saturday. We enjoy sharing our enthusiasm with others!

Thank you

Words cannot express the gratitude our family has for the outpouring of love that has been shown to us during the loss of our son Joe Henry and husband Joe Jor-

dan. We know without doubt that they are rejoicing in God's presence and in his perfect time we will rejoice with them.

Julia Jordan and family

Christmas toy ride

Riders with Caring Hearts Christmas toy ride will be held Saturday, Dec. 1.

The annual event will start at Rountree-Moore Toyota-Scion, with registration beginning at 10 a.m.

Last year's motorcycle ride took in over \$7,000 in donations to the Christmas Dream Machine.

The Rolling Thunder Riders out of District Four from the Jacksonville area will be serving as the Color Guard.

Committee member Bill Huggins said that "we want to invite to public out along the toy ride route to show their support for the riders."

The Toy Ride will begin

at Rountree-Moore Toyota-Scion at noon and travel to the donation drop off place at American Legion Post 57.

An after party gathering will be held at the legion with a live band, food, refreshments, 50-50 raffles, auctions and much more, according to Huggins.

For more information contact Danny Murray at 3 8 6 - 7 5 8 - 9 8 1 1 (danny@columbiacounty-cycles.com) or Bill Huggins at 386-984-9565 (bill-hugginssr@hotmail.com).

The ride is sponsored by Rountree-Moore-Toyota-Scion and Columbia County Cycles.

All Rountree-Moore locations are designated donation collection points.

Autumn Artfest People's and Children's Choice Awards



People's Choice Award goes to Suzanne Marcil for her colored pencil entry, "Crystal Clear"



Children's Choice Award goes to Marlene Mitchell for her acrylic painting, "The Gathering"

At the conclusion of the Autumn Artfest on Sept. 9, the votes, made by the children and the adults during the two week show, were tallied here are the winner's.

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The following couples applied for a marriage license the week of Nov. 19 - 23, 2012;

Eric Allen Blalock to Jennifer Rae King

Oscar Romulo Duran to Angelica Neria Perez

Reinier Velazquez Sardinas to Yadira Leon Placias

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OBITUARY

Theresa Joann McCabe
Dec. 15, 1933
Nov. 22, 2012

Theresa Joann McCabe age 78, of Live Oak, Fla. passed away Thursday, Nov. 22, 2012 at Suwannee Health Care in Live Oak, Fla. She was born in Bronx, New York and moved to Live Oak sixteen years ago. Theresa was a clerk in the banking industry and was Catholic by faith.

Survivors include one son, John McCabe, Staten Island, NY; one daughter, Donna Zint, Live Oak, Fla.; one brother, Joe Gannon, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.; three grandchildren, Sacheen Messina and Dawn Messina both of Valdosta, GA., Melissa Soldano, West Palm Beach, Fla. and eight great grandchildren.

Memorial services will be held at a later date.

Please sign the guest book at www.harrisfuneral-homeinc.net.

Harris Funeral Home & Cremations, Inc., 386-364-5115 is in charge of all arrangements.

DEATH NOTICES

Judy Moore
Aug. 24, 1953
Nov. 19, 2012

Judy Moore, age 56 passed on Nov. 19, 2012. Services will be held at First Baptist Church on Monday, Dec. 3, 2012 at 1 p.m. Bennie Thomas Funeral Home, Live Oak, Fla.

Thomas Newsome
Nov. 21, 2012

Thomas Newsome a resident of White Springs, Fla. passed away Nov. 21, 2012 in North Florida Medical Center in Gainesville, Fla.

D.M. Udell Funeral Home is in charge of all arrangements. D.M. Udell and Sons located at 120

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William A. Kauffman
Nov. 16, 2012

William A. Kauffman, 92, Dowling Park, Fla. passed away on Friday, Nov. 16, 2012.

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Audrey Koogler
Nov. 24, 2012

Audrey Koogler, 78, Madison, Fla. passed away on Saturday, Nov. 24, 2012.

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**Learning history
Local Native Americans visit with kids**

By Andrew McGee
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Kids at the pre-k center at Suwannee-Hamilton Technical Center were visited by local Native Americans recently.

Near the technical center there was a teepee set up and the children from teacher Ashley Kirby's class were entertained and mesmerized by stories, songs and artifacts presented by several members of Broken Lance Native American Church in Wellborn.

The purpose for the presentation was that November is Native American Awareness Month and some of the folks from Broken Lance wanted to visit to share and give some insight to their heritage.

"Schools ask us to come to demonstrate what Native Americans do," said Ken Miller. "The Cheyenne would have lodges (teepees) in Florida."

Miller's Native American name is Cross Eagle and he explained that the eagle with it's wings spread wide in Native American culture represents bringing information or news to all.

"I bring the message of Christ," said Miller. "The eagle is the messenger and I bring the message of the cross of Christ."

Miller went on to say that the members of Broken Lance teach Christianity, but also teach others about their ancestors and legacy.

Some of the members that day represented several nations, such as the Cherokee, Cheyenne, Choctaw and Seminole na-

tions.

Among some of the things they brought, Miller showed some pictures that were drawn and painted that he said were called ledger art. The ledger art pictures tell stories much like a written language does. He explained that in early Florida history, Native Americans were often taken into custody and jailed for no other reason except that they were not, nor did they resemble, their European captors. The ledger art was a way of preserving or communicating an event to be remembered.

Ken played a drum and chanted several different songs for the children. One song he sang in Cheyenne and then sang it again, but translated in English.

"We did this for the little ones," said Miller. "They get such a joy out of this."

The children got an added treat as Miller said that he would ask the different children questions and if they answered correctly, they would be rewarded.

"If I asked a question and a boy got it right, I would give all the boys an arrow head," said Miller. "The boys really like the arrow heads. When a girl got it right, then all the girls would get necklaces."

Miller also explained how their church, Broken Lance, got its name. He said if the lance is broken, then there is peace among all.

Broken Lance Native American Church in Wellborn is on US 90 about two miles east of the caution light and currently have about 35 members, both adults and children.

Suwannee County Senior Citizens

Will be having a Christmas Party at the extension building, CR 136 on Dec. 3, 2012. Please bring a side dish and a \$3.00 exchange gift. Call Shirley Tomac @ 386-362-4508 for more information.

School board approves upgrades

By Andrew McGee
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Nov. 20 at 6 p.m. the Suwannee County School Board held a meeting and approved funding and affirmed recommendations for the schools' structural improvement.

Mark Carver, director of facilities, addressed the board and his report focused on the different projects that were soon to start and the bid invitations (best and lowest) to do the jobs. One was in regard to walkway covers for schools. Mobile Walkways Inc. won the bid.

District 4's Ed daSilva had some questions for Carver about the walkway covers report as some on his submitted report had varying prices, some marked purchased and some marked lease.

"If we have a situation where we need a portable, rather than investing in a walkway, we lease it," explained Carver. "A lot

of counties and districts have started doing the leasing. A lot of times when we're having construction projects, they'll move a classroom to a set of portables, provide the walkways, other than invest in the permanent, they'll lease."

He concluded that leasing was more cost effective when it was a temporary-type situation.

Next item Carver brought up was in regard to the new solar power panel installations and how important it will be in the event of the power generator going out. Carver also explained that the new one is similar to the solar panels currently being used at Suwannee-Hamilton Technical Center except that it will have a bank of batteries that will actually store the energy, so as to not always rely on the sun shining for it to be in use.

Carver said the projects installations are to begin after the first of the year.

Holiday food safety

By Mike Mitchell
Suwannee and Lafayette county environmental health director

Everyone has his or her favorite food to eat during the holiday season. It may be a dessert, part of the main course, or an afternoon snack. It does not matter if cooking is involved; we need to be thinking about food safety.

Flu is common this time of year. If you are sick, you should stay out of the kitchen. If you must prepare food, make sure that you wash your hands before handling foods, especially cooked foods. In addition, wash all fruits and vegetables before using and do not use a knife to cut cooked foods after cutting raw meats and vegetables.

When preparing the food, keep foods below 41oF or above 140oF. If your food temperature is between

these temperatures, you have four hours to get it out of that range. After this time, bacteria can start to quickly grow and be a cause of sickness. Therefore, reheat any pre-cooked food as close to mealtime as possible or keep the meal in the refrigerator as long as possible to keep the food safer longer.

It is easy to forget about

food safety when we are celebrating during the holiday season, but no one wants the food we enjoy to make us sick. For more information, view the FDA, CDC, or DOH websites. You can also call the Environmental Health Section of the Suwannee County Health Department (386-362-2708 x256) if you have any other questions.



Cross Eagle beats the drum and sings a song for the children.



Some members of Broken Lance Native American Church in Wellborn. - Photos: Andrew McGee

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BRANFORD BRIEFS

Branford Town Hall closings

Dec. 24 & 25, 2012 - Christmas

Jan. 1, 2013 - New Year

Council meetings

The Town Council meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. Meetings are held in the council chambers at The Branford Town Hall located at 604 NW Suwannee Ave. Public is welcome.

Suwannee County Tax Collector

The Suwannee County Tax Collector is in Branford twice a month to assist with tags, titles and taxes. Their hours are 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. (closed 12 to 1 for lunch) on the first and third Tuesdays of every month. The hope is to better serve the citizens of the south end of Suwannee County.

Keeping Christ in Christmas

On Dec. 8, Branford Area Inter-Church Ministries is hosting the 2012 Annual Branford Christmas Festival and evening parade.

The BAICM Christmas Committee is pleased to invite you to participate in our Annual BAICM Christmas Festival in Branford. We extend a warm welcome to you and feel that you will be glad that you came to our town and festival.

This day will be filled with excitement and activities. We have a wonderful agenda planned for all who participate. Our Theme each year is "Keeping Christ in Christmas". We are asking that each float project this theme. You will be assigned a number in order to be judged and win the prize. The prizes will be announced.

This year's parade will be on Saturday, December 8. Line up time is at 5 p.m. at Branford High School Football Field. It will begin at 6 p.m. and travel down town Branford. There will be \$5 entry fee this year. We appreciate your support!

Hatch Park will be open for vendor setup Saturday morning at 8 a.m. until 11:45 a.m. Festival will begin at 12 noon until 9 p.m. There will be a \$10 charge this year for vendors. No vendor will be allowed to break down until closing time.

For any questions or information, please call Jim Hollis at 386-688-7269.

The McAlpin Community Club

The Club is located at 9981 170th Terrace in McAlpin, directly across from the Post Office. Membership fees are \$10 per family per year.

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

Sparkleberry Chapter, Fla.

The Sparkleberry Chapter meets at 6:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month at Hatch Park Community Center, 403 SE Craven St., Branford, FL 32008. Our meetings are open to the public and everyone is welcome to attend. Call 386-364-9309 for further information.

Bell's 'Christmas Carol' a hit

To catch John Bell Presents: "A Christmas Carol", he'll be performing Dec. 6 at 6:30 p.m. at the Live Oak Public Library on South Ohio Avenue in Live Oak.

By Andrew McGee
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Can one man successfully perform live theatre portraying multiple characters and narrate a beloved classic of English literature? Like the Dickens! Especially if you're referring to John Bell's adaptation of Charles Dickens timeless classic, "A Christmas Carol". Bell did two stellar performances at the Branford Public Library on Nov. 16. In case you missed it, you have another chance coming soon. To catch John Bell Presents: "A Christmas Carol", he'll be performing Dec. 6 at 6:30 p.m. at the Live Oak Public Library on South Ohio Avenue in Live Oak.

Bell, 70, an actor originally from Olean, New York found his way down to McAlpin back in 1993, where he and his wife Susan now reside. Bell explained that years ago, he wanted to move to Florida, but to live as far north in a rural area, but not too far from the urban. Other criteria to consider was that hopefully be in Florida far enough away from the typical hurricane paths.

"I had pulled up information on the last 80 years here," said Bell. "They (hurricanes) all came through Suwannee."

Although the tropical storm and hurricane track record didn't seem too favorable, Bell still found the McAlpin area to be the place he wanted to live.

"Crime was also getting rampant," said Bell. "I didn't want to look back in 20 years and say, 'what if' I had moved to the country."

Bell first got "bitten" by the drama bug back in high school. From the graduating class of 1960, Bell's passion for the arts bloomed when he made his theatre debut in "The Diary of Anne Frank". It has grown ever since.

Bell decided about four years ago to take "A Christmas Carol" and revise and adapt it into a one-man show with little in the way of props, often pantomiming different objects within the performance.

"I don't do the entire story," said Bell. "I've picked out the highlights."

Bell calculated that he, probably from inception, put a good 300 hours of intense work into memorizing and blocking (stage direction and movement) the entire piece.

"I was getting up at 4 a.m. working on the script," said Bell. "And of course



John Bell as a whimpering Ebenezer Scrooge.

you're always making changes. Something that works on paper, might not work out loud."

Besides the memorization, the breathing and the movement play a huge part in how the lines are delivered. Before show time. Bell often does warm-up exercises, methods vocal coaches encourage to "save" one's voice from straining too much.

"Sometimes I sing the script," said Bell. "I'll move my voice up and down and it actually relaxes the vocal cords."

Bell explained that "A Christmas Carol" was a work in progress as it's been written, revised, revised some more and is constantly being tweaked for improvement and to keep fresh. Bell gets much-needed feedback and advice from his wife Susan.

"She's an honest critic and my stage manager," said Bell. "She provides the audience's point of view."

Bell explained that while you're performing, there are things you may be unaware that you do or don't do.

Bell continued on how Susan was a vital and integral part to his success. She not only honestly critiques his performances, but she also has talent for set design and utilizes so little to the utmost.

"She has a great eye for the arrangement of a set," said Bell. "Down to the smallest details, even something like where to place the doily on the table."

One of the advantages that Bell has at his extremely small, intimate venues, is that he's able to greet the audience prior to the performance. He'll get acquainted with

the different people and often parents will bring their young children to see it. One of Bell's favorite things to do is to include audience participation especially the younger children for the ending of the play. He'll "coach" the kids before the performance, so that at the very end, he'll point to the kids to recite Tiny Tim's line of, "God bless us all every one."

Bell recently had one of his little performers say the line incorrectly, but it was obviously a funny, and even more heart-warming experience he'll always treasure.

"I had a little girl before a recent show that was going to say the 'God bless us all everyone' at the end," said Bell. "I had asked this little girl's mother if it was okay and she said yes, so I kept asking her if she knew it and she would say it."

Bell even went as far as wanting the little girl to stand up to say the line. The mother was of course in agreement. Bell assured the girl that although you might not do this during a normal performance, this was okay.

When it came to the end of the play, Bell with all confidence and assurance in his little actress, pointed to her to deliver the final line.

"I pointed to her and she stood up," said Bell. "She said, God bless America."

Bell and the audience, mother included, loved it.

Bell's short term goals and aspirations? "To keep theatre alive in some form," said Bell. "I'm pleased to what a good job Miss Bass (Emily Bass, Suwannee High School Drama teacher) is doing. I hope it encourages other adults."

Bell is a firm believer in the arts playing a vital role in the mental development and growth in kids and sees art in most things.

"There's art in sports, in a car designer, how they approach or prepare, a farmer or even a well digger," said Bell. "Art is a wider spectrum than most are aware of."

It's been in Bell's experience, that most parents like to see their children involved in the arts in some way and encourage it. He believes they instinctively know that being involved in the arts is a natural and vibrant necessity to a person's well-being.

Bell's long-term goals are among other things, performing "A Christmas Carol" but through the eyes of Jacob Marley, Scrooge's long-time partner whose ghostly visit after seven years warns him on Christmas Eve of things to come.

Bell would also like to see Live Oak and the surrounding areas have a community theatre. He stressed how important it would be to have a theatre or space for the performing arts, but along with the expense and the conflicting schedules for people, getting a practice/performance place will be quite a challenge.

Bell is currently the vice-president of the Live Oak Artists Guild. To be a member of the guild and to help support the arts in the area, you may email liveoakartists@liveoakartistsguild.org

Toys for kids+ needs help now

By Andrew McGee
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The locally-based ministry Toys for kids + of Branford is in dire need of some continued help this year.

For the past 13 years, Roger Burnside who heads up the ministry, along with local business contributors and also individuals, have helped bring joy to less-fortunate kids and their family's during the Christmas season. Through the ministry's efforts, they have given children toys whose family's have not been able to provide for them. This year the ministry, so far, has come up short.

"We still have 29 kids we're trying to get toys for," said Burnside. "We were up to 33, but we were able to take care of four of them."

The number of kids to provide for often fluctuates between 30 and 100 kids. This year's number hit 84, so with 55 kids taken care of, there still remains 29.

Burnside said that toys, as late as they are, may still be trickling in, but the cut-off time is getting closer.

The ministry for many years was able to provide not only toys for the kids on Christmas, but also clothes and even shoes. Burnside said that donations are down so far, so their concentrated efforts are only on getting toys at this point.

Any and all contributions to the ministry to fulfill its goal this year would be so appreciated. If you can donate toys or make any money contributions, please take them to the following drop-off points:

Branford Town Hall
25241 State Road 247 (O'Brien)
Tompson Construction at 3554 256th Street (O'Brien)



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Six candidates take oath at swearing-in ceremony



Jerry Scarborough, superintendent of schools



Jerry Taylor, school board, district 1



Catherine Cason, school board, district 2



Ricky Gamble, Jr., county commissioners, district 3



Jason Bashaw, county commissioner, district 1

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tist Church of Live Oak, gave the invocation. Glenda Williams, supervisor of elections, offered the pledge.

Incumbent Jerry Scarborough was sworn in to serve his second term as superintendent of schools.

Incumbent Jerry Taylor, who took office for the first time in 1996, was elected to serve another term as school board member for District 1.

Catherine Cason took the oath before the judge and will serve her first term as a school board member, District 2.

Jason Bashaw will sit on

the board of county commissioners representing District 1 for his first term.

Ricky Gamble Jr., was sworn in and will take his place on the board of county commissioners to serve in District 3. Gamble will be filling the shoes of long-time member Ivie Fowler who gave up the chair for retirement.

Incumbent Wesley Wainwright will serve another term as a Suwannee County commissioner. Wainwright will also retain the position as chairman for the board.

Following the ceremony, guests enjoyed light refreshments while congratulating the candidates on a successful campaign.



Wesley Wainwright, county commissioner, district 5

Plane crash claims life of two locals

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aircraft in the woods east of Gracey Road, near the Canton and Simsbury border.

The aircraft was overdue for a scheduled arrival at Simsbury Airport, and Bradley International Airport Air Traffic Control reported that they had lost radar contact with the aircraft.

A short time later, at 10:25 p.m., a state police helicopter located the aircraft on top of a ridge known as Onion Mountain. Rescue workers were able

to gain access to the site about 20 minutes later. There were two occupants of the small single engine airplane, and both were pronounced dead at the scene.

According to reports, the Derochers were headed to western Connecticut to attend the funeral of Donald Derocher's father.

The National Transportation Safety Board is still investigating the crash.

County commission round-up

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Say no to candy flavored tobacco

Mary Taylor, director of Students Working Against Tobacco, stood before the commissioners requesting their signature on a resolution urging stores not to sell candy flavored tobacco. Students of the program were on hand to make a presentation to the board. Panel members praised the youth for their efforts and guaranteed their signature for support.

"I really appreciate your efforts," stated Chairman Wesley Wainwright. "You guys are awesome."

Taylor said, "We're hoping to see stores reduce tobacco products directed at kids. I know we can't stop them from selling it, but we would like to see them put it safely out of sight of children."

The resolution states that the Suwannee County Commission urges all local vendors to cease the sale and marketing of flavored tobacco products, which are defined as loose tobacco including snuff flour, plug and twist tobacco, fine cuts, chewing tobacco, snus, smoking or snuffing tobacco products, and all other smoking or snuffing tobacco products, and all other kinds and forms of tobacco, including but not limited to cigarettes, cigars, smokeless tobacco products and blunt wraps prepared in such a manner with the purpose of chewing, inhaling, smoking or ingesting in any manner which have been flavored through the addition of natural or artificial flavorings, herbs, spices or other means with flavors characterizing fruit, candy, alcohol or other similar flavorings, with the exception that menthol will not be included in this definition.

According to the resolution, tobacco use is the number one preventable death in the US. Almost 90 percent of tobacco user smokers started before they were 18-years-old. An estimated one third of adolescent experimentation with smoking can be directly attributed to tobacco advertising and promo-

tional activities. Internal tobacco industry documents strongly suggest that manufacturers intentionally targeted youth through use of candy, fruit, and alcohol flavors in tobacco, and some of these products, specifically flavored cigars and blunt swaps, are also used as drug paraphernalia for the smoking of marijuana.

Buy the land

The commissioners voted to purchase property, approximately 216-237 acres, that is adjacent to the catalyst site which is near the US 90 and I-10 corridor. The current appraisal for the land is \$6,450 per acre.

"I like that the county has a controlling rule on who the tenants are," Chairman Wesley Wainwright stated. Wainwright noted that he would like to utilize the sales tax funds so the burden is not on property owners. He also said that borrowing the money should be an option.

The board clarified that Klausner Lumber One, LLC who is currently pursuing the catalyst site for their American lumber home, has not requested any additional property, and that this land is for auxiliary businesses that will locate near Klausner, if that company chooses to locate here.

Trying to determine where the funds would come from, Commissioner Jason Bashaw said, "I don't mind reaching out to Columbia County since they have expressed interest in helping." Wainwright told Bashaw that they [Columbia] would want a portion of the ad valorem tax.

Panel member Phil Oxendine was not willing to vote in favor of the project. "I'm not willing to gamble with tax payers money. We're spending this money and we don't even have a signed contract." Oxendine said that with the lawsuit between the county and the airport still ongoing and the bridge on CR 140 still needing attention, those are the things that they "need to worry about."

SHS basketball Alumni win in double overtime, 1B



Sparky needs your help

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offer their services to multiple counties, or are either state or nationwide, Toys for Sparky's Kids benefits only Suwannee County children ages 0-12. Parents can now begin submitting their child's name at LOFD. The only requirement is that the person signing up must provide identification to show their residence is in Suwannee

County.

"We had people back in June and July come up to us and ask if we were going to do the program this year, so we look to help more people than we did last year," Bedenbaugh said. "We love our kids and so we put our heart into it. We want to see each kid get at least five new toys for Christmas."

To help the LOFD reach their goal, drop boxes will

be placed at different locations in the county, including at the *Suwannee Democrat* at 211 East Howard St.

"We encourage everyone to buy a gift and drop in these boxes," Bedenbaugh said. Bedenbaugh ensures that the boxes will be checked daily and the items placed in them will be gathered for the bags. Individuals are also encouraged to drop toys by the fire department at 200 Duval St. NE.

The LOFD will be sponsoring a car show during Christmas on the Square where toys can be donated, and although there are no prizes to win, bragging rights are on the line. "We want people to come show off their cars and have a good time while helping our children at the same time," Bedenbaugh stated.

Admission into the car show is a \$10 toy that will be given to the children.

Bedenbaugh said, "We want everyone to come out and support this event and help our children to have a good and cheerful Christmas."

For more information, contact the LOFD at 386-362-1313.

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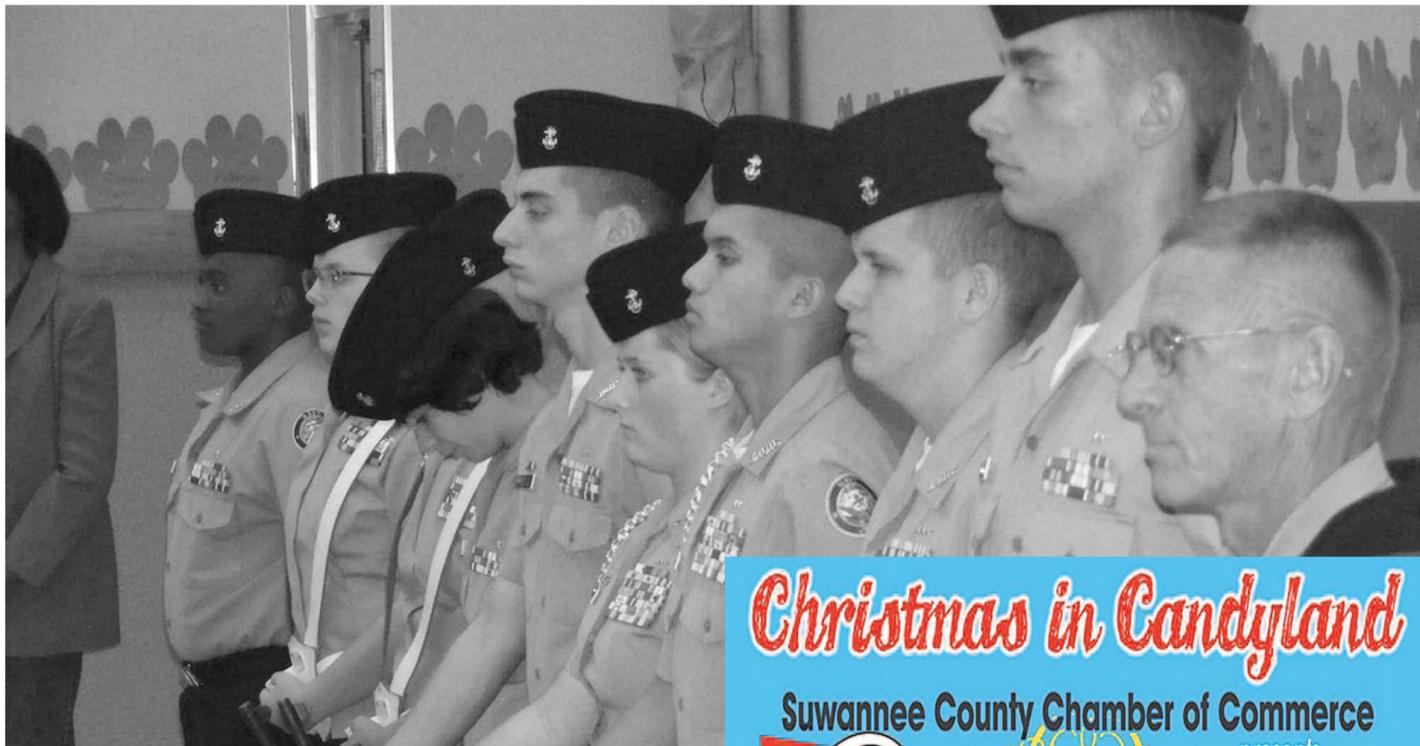
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Kids honoring veterans



Teachers and students greeting Andy Williams, Bruce Ward, Harry Grey and Ron Slater.



ROTC Rifle Squad soon to take the stage for drill.

By Andrew McGee
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At 1:15 p.m. on Nov. 16, Suwannee Elementary School third graders held an assembly in the cafeteria to honor military veterans.

SES Music Director Mrs. Michal presented the Suwannee High School ROTC as they performed the presentation of the colors. This was followed by Ken Michal, band director at Suwannee Middle School playing a trumpet rendition of The Star Spangled Banner. Many of the kids were humming the melody with the trumpet.

The ROTC Rifle Squad performed a dazzling drill involving twirling their rifles with quick, sharp precision. Mrs. Michal then led the children through songs, My Country Tis of Thee and This Land is your Land.

Students Andrew Brown, Grace Williams and Hannah Marlowe separately took the stage to read short essays about Veterans Day, Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and Taps respectively.

There was a short video shown that showed United States Marines guarding and marching outside the Tomb of the Unknown Sol-

dier at Arlington Cemetery in Virginia.

Teacher Tracy Henderson introduced the military personnel guests that day who were Sophie Johnson, Coast Guard, Bruce Ward, Commander of the American Legion Post 107, Harry Grey III, Air Force, Ron Slater, Army and currently in active duty, Andy Williams, Army.

After the ceremony, the military guests stood in a line waiting to shake hands with all the kids that walked by. The teachers that were present also paid their respects to our heroes in uniform.

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Suwannee represented well at North Florida Fair



Some of the Suwannee County kids with the North Florida Fair Cow: From left: Makenzie Greaves, Lara Croft, Kara Croft, Garrett Greaves, Jack Peterson, Delaney Fennell, Tania Henderson, Destiny Fennell, Ainsley Peterson and Hailey Peterson.

Nov. 2-4, 2012, a group of FFA and 4-H members traveled to the North Florida Fair in Tallahassee to show their dairy cows. Suwannee County was represented very well by this group of boys and girls.

The group won many first place awards including the country group contest, Taylor Henderson - Sr. Grand Champion and Sr. Showmanship, Terrah Henderson - Sr. Reserve Grand Cham-

pion and Sr. Record Book, Destiny Fennell, Int. Fitting and Grooming, Garrett Greaves - Int. Record Book and Dairy Quiz Bowl Written Knowledge Exam, Makenzie Greaves - Jr. Record book and Jr. Fitting and Grooming, Makenzie Greaves and Ainsley Peterson - Jr. Quiz Bowl Team, Hailey Peterson - Jr. Dairy Judging, Jr. Showmanship, and Jr. Herdsman. Congratulations to all of these kids.



From left: Christian Rodriguez, Hailey Peterson, Makenzie Greaves, Terrah Henderson, Garrett Greaves, Destiny Fennell, Taylor Henderson, Tanie Henderson, Ainsley Peterson, Delaney Fennell, Kara Croft and Payton Devine Rodriguez. Courtesy photos

Live Oak based Reinke dealership recognized as top five dealer in territory sales



Reinke President Chris Roth, from left; Champion Irrigation's Tommy Santerfeit; and Reinke Southeast Territory Manager Mike Mills.

Reinke Manufacturing Company Inc., a leading manufacturer of mechanized irrigation systems, is excited to announce that Champion Irrigation of Live Oak has been recognized as one of the top five highest selling dealers in the Southeast Territory, in acknowledgement of the company's 2011-12 marketing year success. They were honored during Reinke's recent annual convention held Oct. 21-23, 2012, in Hershey, Pa.

"Reinke congratulates Champion Irrigation on this well-deserved recognition of their ongoing hard work and success over the past year," said Reinke Vice President of Marketing Tim Goldhammer. "We are proud to have them as a dealer and appreciate their ongoing commitment to Reinke."

Reinke dealerships from across the United States and Canada gather each year to attend the company's convention. The convention awards ceremony recog-

nizes select Reinke dealerships for their hard work and dedication to sales and marketing throughout the past year.

"The number of Reinke dealers receiving sales and achievement awards continues to grow," said Goldhammer. "Our annual convention is a fun event, and we enjoy being able to bring all of our dealers together each year to recognize and applaud one another's efforts."

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Cleaning the rights-of-way



By Thomas Robley Burnett committee member

Troop 693 has an ongoing arrangement with the Florida DOT's Adopt-A-Highway program to keep a two and a half mile segment of US 90's right-of-way clean. The troop does this three or four times per year. Their segment begins at CR 49 and goes east.

Based on how much litter there is and the number of participants, each clean-up

takes between two and four hours and 20 to 120 pounds of trash is collected and removed.

Saturday, Nov. 17, turned out to be a beautiful day for this undertaking! Scouts, along with their parents and troop leaders helped to beautify our community.

Troop 693 meets on Thursdays, 6:30-8 p.m., at the Church of the Nazarene, 915 So. Church St., Live Oak. Boys age from 10 and a half to 17. Visitors and prospective members are always welcome!

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community through a "punch pass" system. Community members can purchase a pass for either 10 or 20 visits to gain access to the center's fully loaded fitness room with cutting edge cardio and resistance training equipment.

As a special holiday fitness promotion, NFCC is now offering free bonus visits with each purchase made by Dec. 1. Buy 10 visits, get 5 free or buy 20 visits and get 10 free. Community "punch passes" are available on a limited basis and must be used before the expiration date – 10 visits expire after 16 weeks; 20 visits expire after 32 weeks. Gift certificates are also available for those looking to "give the gift of health" this holiday season.

The Colin P. Kelly Fitness Center is located on the NFCC campus in Madison, Fla. (Bldg. 12). Current hours are Monday-Thursday, 6 a.m.-7 p.m. and Friday 6 a.m.-5 p.m.; closed on weekends and holidays. The building was originally built in 1965 as the Colin P. Kelly Gymnasium. In 2010, renovations were completed and the building was renamed the Colin P. Kelly Fitness Center. A half-mile, outdoor walking track was also added to the campus during the renovations and is open to the public.

More information is available at www.nfcc.edu/fitness-and-wellness-center or at the Colin P. Kelly Fitness Center front desk – stop by or call (850) 973-1651.



The Colin P. Kelly Fitness Center.

Suwannee River League of Cities identifies water protection as top priority

Tallahassee, FL — The Suwannee River League of Cities is a 10 county region currently representing 15 municipal member governments. During the Nov. 8, 2012 SRLC Board of Directors Meeting in Cross City, members approved the 2013 SRLC legislative priorities including support of the Floridan Aquifer System Sustainability Act (FASSA).

FASSA is designed to return sustainability to Florida's water systems. Building on past legislation, the act addresses statewide water resources on a system-wide basis for the first time by acquiring and utilizing all of the data presently and potentially available, developing a unified Floridan Aquifer System model to be used by all Water Management Districts, developing and implementing mitigation programs where needed, and providing the necessary tools and resources to bring permanent solutions which address our water sustainability needs.

During the SRLC meeting, Dr. Helen Miller, Mayor of White Springs and Vice Chair of Florida Leaders Organized for

Water (FLOW), stated, "the future economic viability of municipalities in the Suwannee River league rests on sustainable supplies of water for households, ecotourism, agriculture, mining, business and industry. We need a state-wide, systemic framework for dealing with water issues, and we need more cooperation and resources in order to mitigate existing problems. The upcoming legislative session in 2013, the 500th anniversary of Florida, is the time to address our water issues. Celebrating Viva Florida should be more than honoring our 500-year history; we should also be looking forward to our future. What kind of Florida are we willing to leave to the generations that follow us?"

"We are dedicated to working together through the SRLC to support FLOW and this legislation to protect and sustain water for communities throughout Florida" said SRLC President Shirley Clark.

For additional information, or to obtain a copy of the 2013 SRLC Legislative Priorities, please contact Christy Shell at cshell@iog.fsu.edu or 850-487-4184.

New Florida license plate design voting underway

~ Runs through Dec. 14 ~

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. – The website for public voting on Florida's license plate, www.Vote4FloridaTag.com, is open! Floridians can vote online through Dec. 14. The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles wants to upgrade the basic Florida plate to a design that increases readability and features a seven character configuration.

A committee of more than 20 stakeholders, including state agency personnel, law enforcement, tax collectors and affiliated associations participated in the development of the final license plate designs. DHSMV's in-house graphics artist

created the proposed designs.

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Monday morning collision involving county motor grader



This car driven by Marion Perry, 34, struck the back of a county motor grader Monday morning.



A passenger car struck the back of the motor grader seen here Monday morning.

- Photos: Andrew McGee

By Andrew McGee
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At approximately 7:35 a.m. Monday a wreck occurred on US 90 about a mile and a half east from the

US 129 junction involving a county motor grader and a passenger car.

Marion Perry, 34, was driving a grey Nissan Sentra SE eastbound on US 90 when he struck the back of a Suwannee County road grader. Perry told a *Democrat*

reporter that he was temporarily blinded by the sun and didn't see the unit in front of him when he struck it. Suwannee County Fire/Rescue and Suwannee County Sheriff's Office were deployed. No visible injuries were sustained due to the accident.

Two men injured in crash

By Joyce Marie Taylor
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Two Mayo men sustained injuries in a Saturday morning crash on SR 51 just south of 136 Street in Suwannee County, according to the Florida Highway Patrol.

Reports show that at 3:40 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 24, Garrett G. Land, 26, Mayo was traveling south on SR 51 in a 2006 Chevrolet Silverado

with passenger Charles A. Williams, 31, Mayo, when a deer entered the roadway from the east shoulder. Land took evasive action by steering to the right and traveling onto the west shoulder. He then over-corrected by steering hard to the left and wound up on the east shoulder of the roadway where the pickup overturned and struck a fence, coming to final rest upright on the east shoulder facing northeast.

Land left the scene without reporting the crash and was charged with failing to report a traffic crash and leaving the scene, reports state.

Land, who was wearing a seatbelt sustained minor injuries and passenger Williams, who was not wearing a seatbelt was transported to Shands Live Oak with serious injuries. Damages to the pickup were estimated at \$4,000, according to the FHP report.

Wreck stops traffic on I-75, baby airlifted to Shands

By Bryant Thigpen
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Jennifer Louana St. Juste, 23, Lawrenceville, Ga., was involved in a car accident on Monday, Nov. 19, on I-75, near exit 439.

According to the Flori-

da Highway Patrol report, St. Juste was driving a 2011 Toyota Corolla and was traveling northbound on I-75 in the left lane. For unknown reasons, she lost control of the vehicle and swerved to the left. Her car slid across the median emergency lane and impacted the guardrail with the front left corner of the corolla. The rear left corner hit the guardrail before the vehicle traveled across all three northbound lanes and into the outside emergency lane. The vehicle then impacted a concrete traffic barrier with the front right corner and then the rear right corner. The corolla traveled back onto I-75 and came to a final rest in the right lane facing north.

Her passenger, Loriella St. Juste, 3, was properly restrained in a forward facing child seat, but was struck with an object inside the vehicle.

The child was airlifted to Shands in Gainesville as a precaution and treatment for minor injuries. The driver also sustained minor injuries.

St. Juste was charged with careless driving.

Three injured in wreck

By Bryant Thigpen
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Three people were seriously injured in an accident that occurred on Friday afternoon, Nov. 16 on US 90, approximately 40 feet from CR 132.

According to the Florida Highway Patrol report, April Gilley, 31, Monticello, was driving a 200 Honda Accord and traveling east on US 90. Robert Reynolds, 62, driver of a 1994 Chevrolet C1500, slowed down to turn left onto CR 132. Gilley failed to slow in time, striking Reynold's vehicle in the rear. Gilley's car came to a rest facing a northerly direction across the westbound lane of US 90 (SR 10). Reynold's vehicle came to a controlled stop facing the northerly direction on the west shoulder of CR 132.

Gilley and her passengers, Keshontae Akins, 20, Monticello, and Cantrell Davis, 20, Greenville, were transported by Suwannee County Fire/Rescue to Shands in Live Oak with serious injuries.

Gilley was charged with careless driving.

Vehicle strikes utility pole, minor injuries Driver

By Bryant Thigpen
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Trabrea Hill, 23, Perry, was seriously injured in an accident on Sunday, Nov. 18 on River Road, south of US 90.

According to the Florida Highway Patrol, Hill was traveling south on River Road when the 2005 Chevrolet Tahoe she was driving

exited the roadway. The vehicle emerged onto the westernmost grassy shoulder after completing a curve to the left. Hill then steered hard to the left and entered the northbound travel lane. When Hill steered back to the right, she then lost control of the vehicle. The tahoe traveled off the roadway again onto the grassy shoulder and struck a utility pole with its front.

The vehicle rotated clockwise and overturned onto its right side, coming to a rest facing south.

The crash resulted in property damage to a Suwannee Valley Electric utility/light pole.

Hill was treated for minor injuries. She was charged with careless driving and driving without a license.

Driver injured in rollover on I-10

By Bryant Thigpen
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Peyton Marshall, 20, Jacksonville, was seriously injured on Friday, Nov. 16, in an accident on I-10.

According to the Florida Highway Patrol, Mar-

shall was driving a 1999 Ford Explorer and traveling east on I-10. For unknown reasons, his vehicle left the inside lane and traveled off the roadway onto the inside shoulder. Marshall turned to the right, over correcting and

lost control of the vehicle. The explorer then began to rotate clockwise and overturned. The vehicle continued traveling eastbound and overturned several more times, coming to a rest upright across both eastbound

lanes facing southwest.

Marshall was treated at the scene by Suwannee County Fire/Rescue. Marshall was then airlifted by trauma one to Shands UF in Gainesville for treatment.

lanes facing southwest.

The child was airlifted to Shands in Gainesville as a precaution and treatment for minor injuries. The driver also sustained minor injuries.

St. Juste was charged with careless driving.

Over-correction caused crash

By Andrew McGee
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On Nov. 24 at approximately 9:25 a.m., an accident occurred on No Name Road about 0.3 of a mile north of NW Feed Mill Avenue.

According to the Florida Highway Patrol, Levi White, 11, was driving a 2007 Kawasaki Mule 3010 and traveling south on No Name Road. White drove

onto the west shoulder and over-corrected by steering hard to the left. White lost control of the vehicle as it rotated counter clockwise across both travel lanes of No Name Road. The vehicle overturned on it's side and came to rest facing in a

northeasterly direction in the northbound lane of No Name Road.

According to the FHP, White was transported by Suwannee County Fire/Rescue to Lake City Medical Center.

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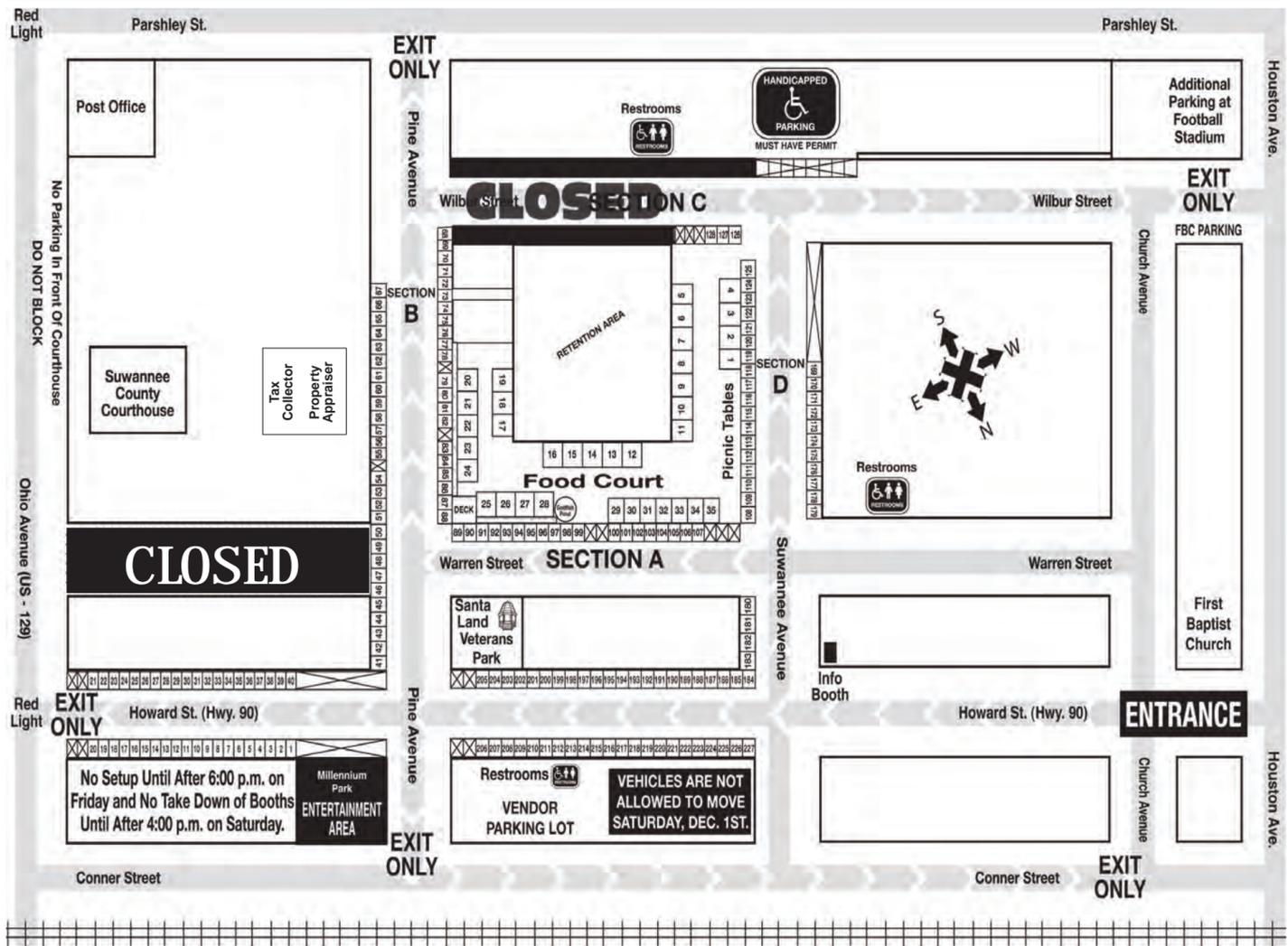
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CHRISTMAS IN CANDY LAND

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 mark the 28th consecutive year that the Suwannee County Chamber of Commerce has hosted Christmas on the Square, an event that has gained much popularity throughout the years. The festivities will begin at 8 a.m.
 The event will feature over 200 vendors in downtown Live Oak.
 "For the past three years we have sold out on vendor spots, and we're hoping to do the same thing this year," stated Susan Hillhouse, coordinator for the event.

cated in front of the Paul Langford Stadium on Wilbur Street.
 The Live Oak Fire Department will sponsor the antique and classic car and truck show that will take place downtown from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
 The annual Christmas Lights Parade, set to begin at 6 p.m., is a favorite among adults and children alike. The lighted parade sets the tone for the Christmas spirit and brings a cheerful heart to those who experience it. The parade route will begin at the Suwannee Elementary

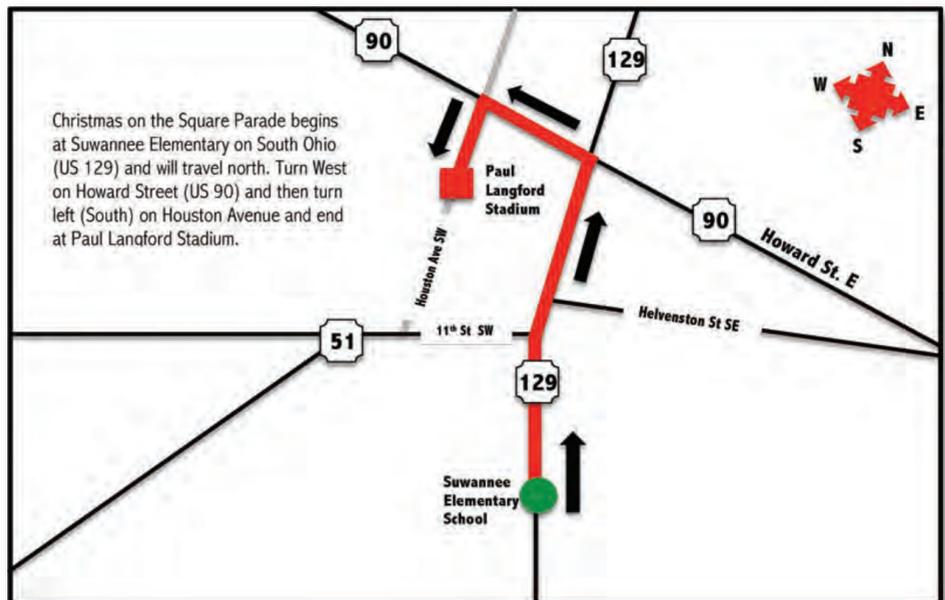


What's Christmas on the Square without Santa? Visit him during Christmas on the Square. File photo

Due to road closures caused by sinkholes from TS Debby, there will not be vendors on sections of Wilbur and Warren streets. Shenandoah Dairy will be sponsoring the agricultural section of Christmas on the Square. For the past three years, the dairy has coordinated the agriculture market, which will be lo-

School on South Ohio Avenue and will travel north. From Ohio Avenue, the parade will travel west on Howard Street and then turn left onto Houston Avenue where it will end at Paul Langford Stadium.
 The grand marshal for this year's parade is Lisa Kriehn of Love INC.
 This year's stage will be

filled with a variety of talent, with dance shops taking the stage early in the morning. At 11 a.m., different music acts will perform until the conclusion of the event.
 "We are really excited about this year's event and hope that everyone will come out and join us," Hillhouse said.
 For more information, please call the Suwannee County Chamber of Commerce at 386-362-3071.



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Justin Wilkinson accepts financial specialist position at First Federal Bank of Florida



Wilkinson

Live Oak, FL. – Justin Wilkinson has accepted the Financial Specialist position at First Federal Bank of Florida's Live Oak Main branch at 804 S. Ohio Avenue. He will be responsible for offering financial products and services to customers, including consumer loans and deposit accounts.

Justin has worked in the banking industry for six years; three of those with First Federal. He started his banking career as a teller and has held positions in collections and customer service. Justin is a member of the Lions Club and volunteers regularly in the community through various events and organiza-

tions. Prior to his promotion as a Financial Specialist, Justin was the Sales Assistant at the customer service desk in the Live Oak Main branch.

Stephanie McClendon, East Regional Manager, states, "We are pleased to welcome Justin in his new role. His good rapport with

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Becoming commercial fishermen to get easier for Florida vets

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) honored Florida's heroes on Veterans Day, Nov. 11, by implementing changes to commercial licensing requirements. The changes will make it easier for Florida veterans and veterans with disabilities to enter the commercial fishing industry.

Governor Rick Scott said, "We have a tremendous opportunity not only to give thanks to the men and women that served our nation so courageously, but also to provide them with more support so they can pursue careers in fishing here in Florida. This initiative will expand job opportunities for our veterans and get more folks involved in the commercial fishing industry, which is a win-win for Florida."

The Commission adopted the changes at its September meeting and made a formal announcement of the changes in a media event on Nov. 9.

"I am excited to be extending this opportunity to the men and women who so bravely served our country," said Commissioner Charles W. Roberts III. "Job creation and Florida's economy are priorities for everyone, including the FWC. Our hope is that more of Florida's veterans and veterans with disabilities, especially those who have recently returned from active duty, will be able to partake in the commercial seafood industry and benefit from this opportunity."

The changes will modify income requirements for many of Florida veterans seeking a commercial restricted species endorsement, which allows commercial harvesters to fish for and sell species that are designated as restricted.

Spanish and king mackerel, flounder, shrimp, mahi mahi and several reef fish are among the list of species that require a restricted species endorsement.

Currently, commercial harvesters attempting to qualify for a restricted species

endorsement must have a Florida Saltwater Products License, which is Florida's commercial saltwater fishing license, and be able to attribute \$5,000 or 25 percent of their total annual income during one of the past three years to sales of saltwater products.

With the new changes in place, restricted species endorsement income requirements will be waived for one license year (July 1 - June 30) for Florida veterans who were honorably discharged between Sept. 11, 2001, and June 30, 2014. After June 30, 2014, this income-requirement waiver will continue to extend to Florida veterans as long as they apply within four years of an honorable discharge.

The one-license-year waiver also extends to all honorably discharged veterans with service-connected disabilities, regardless of when they were discharged. After the one-year waiver expires, veterans with service-connected disabilities will also have a reduced income requirement of \$2,500 instead of \$5,000. All other veterans must meet the \$5,000 income requirement after the one-year waiver expires. To qualify for these exemptions, veterans must be certified by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs or the U.S. Armed Forces to have at least a 10-percent disability that is service-connected.

"I salute the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission for making it easier for Florida's veterans to become commercial fishermen," said Mike Prendergast, executive director of the Florida Department of Veterans' Affairs.

Applicants should visit MyFWC.com/License and click on "Commercial Saltwater Products" or call 850-487-3122.

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Boys soccer posts victory over Paxon

By Andrew McGee
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The Suwannee Bulldog varsity soccer team may have started out slow but as of the Nov. 19 match against Oak Hall, they were sporting a 3-2 record.

On Nov. 13, the Suwannee JV and varsity soccer teams both won their games against Paxon in Jacksonville on their home turf. The JV's game began at 5 p.m. and the Varsity team at 7 p.m.

The JV team won 1-0. The scoring and winning point was made by Brandon Quezado scored and the Varsity won 2-0 with Justin Shirah scoring first with an assist from Matt Skeen and Leonel Alvarez scored the second goal unassisted.

This second game went better for the varsity than the first game of this season.

The season's first game results were bitter-sweet as both varsity and junior varsity teams played Columbia on Columbia's home turf with varsity team losing 2-0, but the JV won 2-0.

On Nov. 15, the varsity team posted a 5-2 win against Terry Parker in a game played in Live Oak. On Nov. 19, the team beat Oak Hall 9-1 in a home game.

The varsity are returning district champs from three years in a row, so Shirah is optimistic about the new season.

"Were hoping we'll get it together for another district run," said Shirah.

The team traveled Tuesday night to play Newberry.



Dominic Henderson (18). - Photo: Paul Buchanan (SuwanneeSports.com)

SHS basketball Alumni win in double overtime



Andre Zanders goes up for the "jump over" assisted by JT Devore. Courtesy photos

Submitted

The second annual Rock of Ages boys basketball tournament ended in double overtime with the victory going to the alumni. The three-point contest was won by Deangelo Ross who made eight shots in 30 seconds. The slam dunk contest was won by alumnus Andre Zanders who did a combination of an off-the-wall set-

up dunk and also a "jump over" assisted by JT Devore. The boys' team would like to thank all alumni who gave their time for the event. Participants included David Jones, Eddie Ford, Joey Dukes, Marcus Lane, Javon Smith, Alex Robinson, JT Devore, LeeLee Williams, Matt Cup, Fry Jordan, Dwayne Charlton, Antwon Jones, Marcus Walker, Andre Zanders, and Pedro Bing.

Lady 'Dogs beat Oak Hall



Samantha McManaway (10) in action.

Monday night, Nov. 19, the Lady Bulldog soccer team played at home against a young Oak Hall Varsity team from Gainesville.

The Lady 'Dogs struck early with three goals in the first half. The first one was off a penalty kick by Kayla Watson, her second goal of the season and came just four minutes and 32 seconds into the game. The second goal came five minutes later by Riley Walczak. The keeper came out too far and Riley just placed into the right corner of the net. The third goal was by Captain Grace Brett. The final goal of the game came half way through the second half and was by Denver Cameron, her first goal of the season.

The final score was 4-0 and the varsity record as of this match was 6-0-2. Both JV and varsity faced a historically tough Florida High team on Tuesday, Nov. 27 at 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. at home.



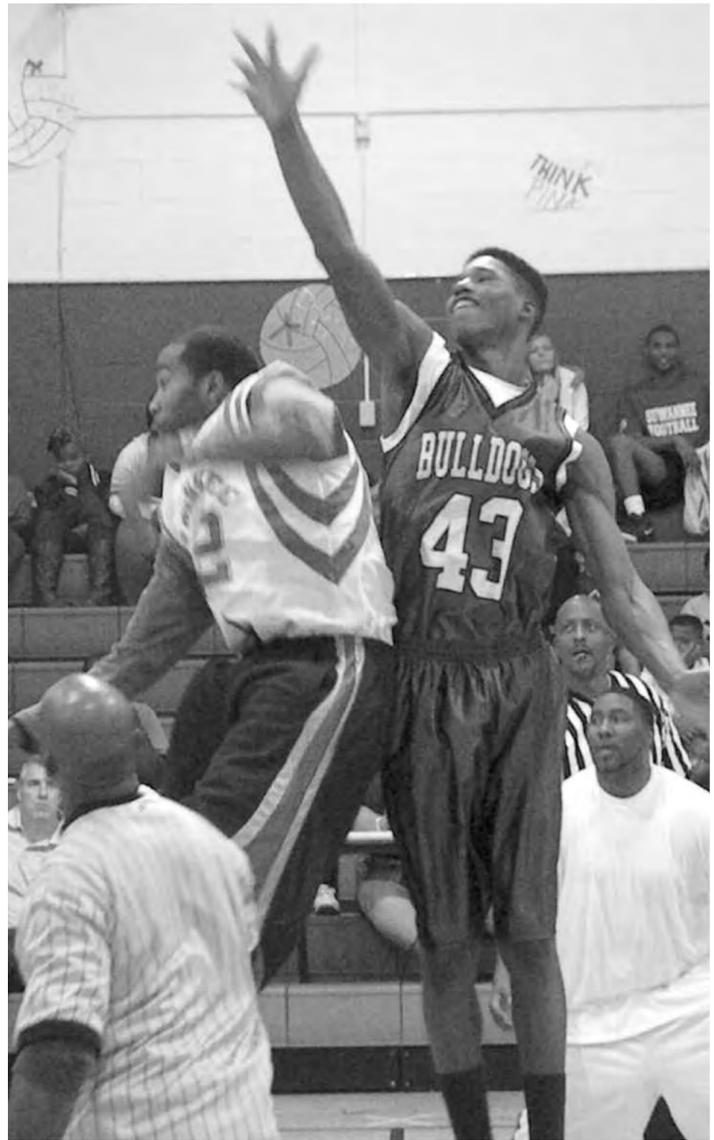
Brooke Wainwright maneuvers the ball. - Photos: Paul Buchanan (SuwanneeSports.com)

SPORTS

SHS basketball Alumni win in double overtime



Raymond on defense.



Stretch and the tip off. Courtesy photos



Dee and Frank set double pick.

Boys basketball season opener Thursday night

The Bulldogs will open their season this Thursday night at home against the Columbia Tigers, followed by games against

Hamilton (in Jasper) on Saturday, December 1st and Eastside (at Suwannee) on December 4th. Come support the 'Dogs!!

Suwannee JV basketball looking good

By Andrew McGee
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The Suwannee junior varsity basketball team are

already looking good according to Coach Frank Smith.

"The Suwannee high school junior varsity team this year are energetic, competitive and disciplined team members," said Smith.

The team consists of 12 freshmen and one sophomore. Even after the long break from last season and summer, Smith says that the team has been playing summer league basketball throughout the summer.

"Over the course of a month while coaching my players," said Smith. "I've observed each player play their position extremely well, but I've also ob-

erved them to be athletic enough to play other positions that I've placed them in."

Their season opening game is against Columbia County on Thursday. What's the feeling going into the game?

"Overall, I know my players are ready and capable of a victory on the upcoming game against Columbia Tigers," said Smith. "Myself and the coaching staff are looking forward to a successful season."

The game is at home at the SHS gym at 6 p.m. followed by the varsity team at 7:30 p.m.

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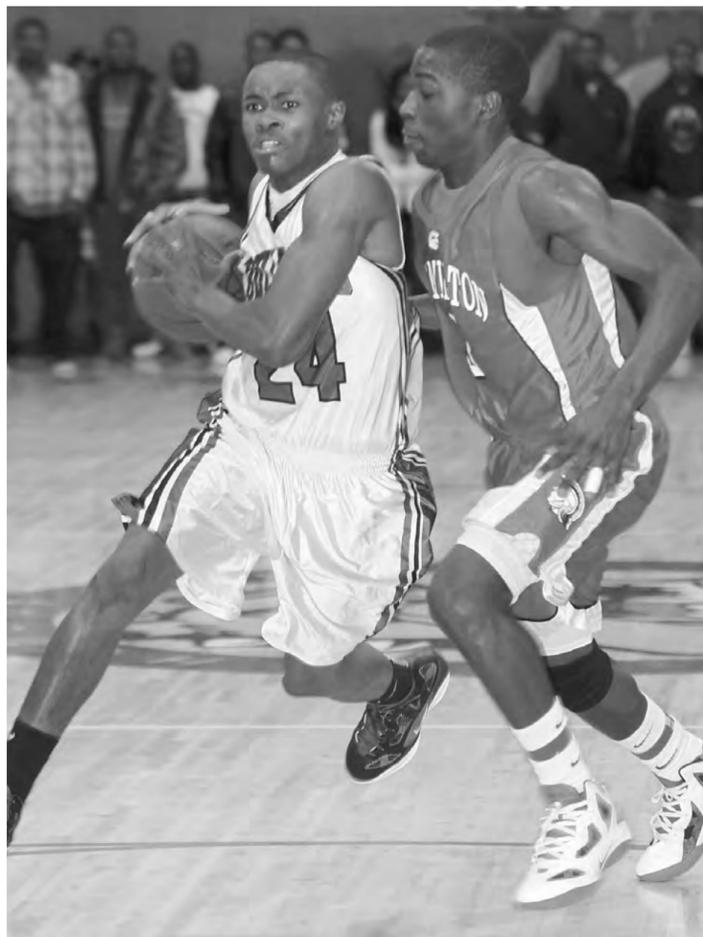
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Ready for action Suwannee High boys basketball returns



Suwannee boys basketball returns with the season opener against Columbia Thursday night.

Going for two. - Photos: Paul Buchanan (SuwanneeSports.com)

By Andrew McGee
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Boys basketball season took on Leon High School in a pre-season shootout in Tallahassee Nov. 23 and 24. The team did a great job, but were up against some tough teams. The final scores indicate the team played hard and have a strong competitive edge.

The team lost to Godby Friday night, Nov. 23, 61-60 and Florida High on Saturday, 84-79.

"We lost to Godby by one on Friday and lost in double overtime by four or five on

Saturday to Florida High," said Coach Jeremy Ulmer.

Ulmer said he has three players returning this year and that for the new players, it will be a quick learning curve in order to be competitive. Ulmer said he is confident they'll adjust quickly and continue to compete.

"We have an established system that works well as our past record has shown," said Ulmer. "Obviously, we will have to make some adjustments since we have very inexperienced players this year."

Suwannee's record in the 2011-12 school year was 20-7. Ulmer took over

coaching the Suwannee boys team in the 2010-11 school year. He took a record of 8-11 the prior year to 16-8 and then 20-7.

"Jimmie Taylor, Deangelo Ross, and Kevarius Hayes will be expected to step up big," said Ulmer. "They'll have to if we want to win games."

If the pre-season practices are any indication of this season, then the three returning players will be the ones carrying the torch and leading the others. Returning senior Taylor averaged 28 points per game and over 10 rebounds per game. Returning sophomore Hayes averaged 15 ppg, 21 rpg and five blocks per game in their first

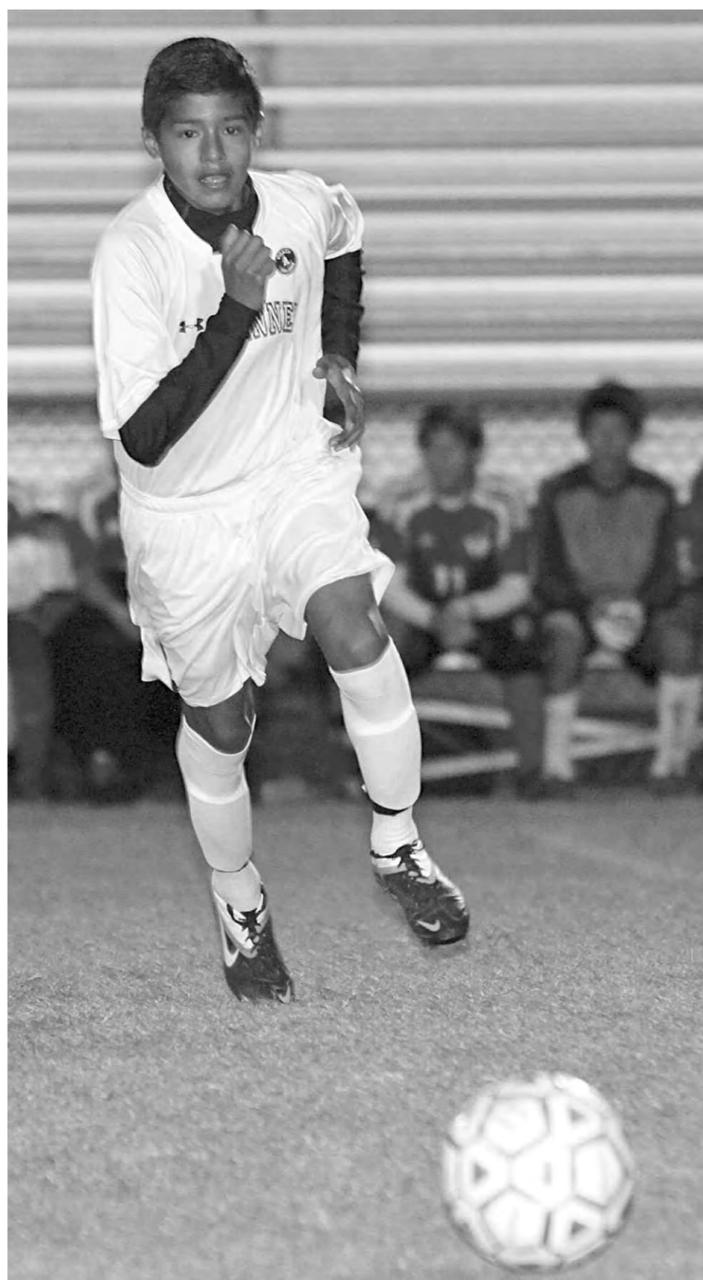
two outings. Senior Ross also contributed several 3-pointers and some much needed scoring.

Ulmer encourages folks to support the basketball program by coming out to see this season's players "tear up" the court.

"These boys play hard and are fun to watch," said Ulmer. "We have some D1 caliber players on the team this year and plenty of other talent."

The Bulldogs officially begin the season Thursday night as they take on Columbia at home. The junior varsity game begins at 6 p.m. and the varsity at 7:30 p.m.

Boys soccer posts victory over Paxon



Jacob Segura (4) runs the ball.

Leonel Alvarez (1) in action for Suwannee. - Photos: Paul Buchanan (SuwanneeSports.com)

Suwannee High boys basketball

The 2011-12 season



The Bulldogs went 20-7 in the 2011-12 season.



A Bulldog keeps the ball away from a Hamilton Trojan.



Looking for net.



Last December, Suwannee played Hamilton County and beat them 70-51. - Photos: Paul Buchanan (SuwanneeSports.com)

Suwannee Legals

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to a Writ of Execution issued in the Circuit Court of Suwannee, on the 27th day of June, 2011 in the cause wherein Designers Choice Cabinetry, Inc as plaintiff and Custom Design Cabinets, Inc and Michael D. Trail were defendants, being Case No. 10-276-CA in said Court, that I, Tony Cameron, as Sheriff of Suwannee County, Florida had levied this 2nd day of November, 2012, upon all the rights, title and interest of the defendants, Custom Design Cabinets, Inc and Michael D. Trail pursuant to any and all other liens, taxes, judgments or whatsoever, in and to the following described property, to-wit:

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On Tuesday, the 18th day of December, 2012 at the front door of the Suwannee County Courthouse in Live Oak, Florida at 11:00 A.M. or as soon thereafter as circumstances permit, I will offer for sale all the defendant's right, title and interest in aforesaid property at public outcry and will sell the same, subject to all prior liens, to the highest and best bidder for cash, plus Florida State Sales Tax, if applicable, the proceeds to be applied as far as may be to the payment of costs and the satisfaction of the above-described execution.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact Ann Murphy at Suwannee County Sheriff's Office prior to the proceeding at the address given above. Telephone: (386) 364-3222.

Tony Cameron
Sheriff of Suwannee County, Florida

By: /s/ Tony Cameron
Sheriff

11/14, 21, 28, 12/05

IN THE COUNTY COURT, FOR SUWANNEE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO. 612012CC000216001XX

**STAFFORD CALDWELL SULLIVAN
and ESTHER ELIZABETH SULLIVAN,
his wife,**

Plaintiffs,

vs.

**GEORGE A. ROE and NANCEY S. ROE,
if alive and if deceased, their respective
spouses, heirs, devisees, assigns,
and all other persons, natural or corporate
claiming by through under or
against them and VySTAR CREDIT
UNION,**

Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO DEFENDANTS, **GEORGE A. ROE,
NANCEY S. ROE, if alive and if de-
ceased, their respective spouses,
heirs, devisees, assigns, and all other
persons, natural or corporate claiming
by through under or against them,
AND ALL OTHERS WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:**

Suwannee Legals

YOU ARE NOTIFIED of the institution of this action by Plaintiffs against you seeking to foreclose a mortgage on the following property in Suwannee County, Florida, being more particularly described as follows:

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has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on HAL A. AIRTH, Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is Post Office Box 448, Live Oak, Florida 32064, on or before Friday, December 14, 2012, and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Dated this 2nd day of November, 2012.

(Court Seal) **BARRY A. BAKER**
Clerk of Circuit Court
Suwannee County, Florida

By: /s/ Jillian Buchanan
Deputy Clerk

11/07, 14, 21, 28

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR SUWANNEE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO. 12-224-CA

**BKL-DENUNE, INC.,
a Florida corporation,**

Plaintiff,

vs.

YDA DE MELKA,

Defendant.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given that the following described real property:

Lot 4, Windswept Place, a subdivision according to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 1, page 552, in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, in and for SUWANNEE County, Florida.

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WITNESS my hand and official seal in the State and County aforesaid this 14th day of November, 2012.

(Court Seal) **BARRY A. BAKER**
Clerk of Court

By: /s/ Jillian Buchanan
As Deputy Clerk

11/21, 28

Stacey Roberts wins the big one at Needmore

Submitted

Stacey Roberts took the checkered flag and the \$10,000 first place money this past Sunday at Needmore Speedway in Colquitt County, Georgia. Drivers from Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Tennessee and Louisiana were all chasing Roberts after he passed Brandon Overton and took the lead for good in the Napa Auto Parts 75 lap late model feature. Roberts, a Sylvester, Georgia native had battled Overton for most of the race before taking the lead in the final 10 laps.

In another heated feature in the Hobby class, young Ronnie Newsome of Lake Park, Georgia appeared destined to finish second behind his Dad, Lee Newsome, but in the closing laps, the younger Newsome pulled along side his

Dad and edged ahead after the elder Newsome and Slyder Guthrie of Adel, Georgia bumped and Newsome's left rear tire blew sending him to the pits and was relegated to 8th place when the race was over.

In other action, Albany, Georgia native Skip Pannell finished 1st in the Limited Late Model class, Cameron Connell won the Enduro class while the Super Street feature was won by Zane Johnson. In the final event, Austin Baxley took the checkered flag in Mini Stocks.

Needmore Speedway will have another 3 day event coming up December 28, 29 and 30 as Langdale Ford presents a special 50 lap Late Model feature with a \$6,000 prize for the winner. Needmore Speedway is located near Norman Park, Georgia in Colquitt County.



Italian Sausage Lollipops

Yield: 20 lollipops

- 1 package (19 ounces) Johnsonville Hot Italian Sausage Links
- 20 10- to 12-inch bamboo skewers
- Oil for deep frying (vegetable, peanut or canola)

Corn Batter

- 1 cup cornmeal
- 1 cup flour
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon black pepper
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 4 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 large egg, lightly beaten
- 1 cup milk (preferably not skim)

Remoulade Dipping Sauce

- 2 tablespoons mayonnaise
- 2 tablespoons Dijon mustard
- 2 tablespoons whole grain mustard
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- 1 teaspoon wine vinegar
- 2 tablespoons pickle relish
- 2 tablespoons capers, chopped
- 1 teaspoon dried tarragon
- 1/2 teaspoon ground black pepper
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- Dash Tabasco sauce
- 1 cup canola oil

Cook sausages according to package directions. Allow to cool slightly and cut each sausage into 4 pieces.

In a medium bowl, mix all dry ingredients for the corn batter then mix in wet ingredients.

Pour oil 2 to 3 inches deep and bring to medium heat or about 350°F. Place one sausage piece on the end of each skewer. Dip into the batter and coat the sausage completely.

Carefully submerge the sausage into the hot oil while holding the end of the stick. Fry each sausage for about 1 minute, until the batter is a deep golden brown.

Serve with Remoulade Dipping Sauce or your favorite mustard.

Remoulade Dipping Sauce

Combine all ingredients except oil in a food processor and process for 30 seconds. With the motor running, slowly add the oil through the feed tube and process until thickened.

Transfer the sauce to a bowl, cover and refrigerate for at least one hour before serving.

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Yield: 6 servings

Sauce

- 1 cup (8 ounces) sour cream
- 1/2 medium cucumber, peeled, seeded and finely chopped
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 2 teaspoons fresh parsley, chopped
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon cracked black pepper, optional

Hoagie

- 1 package (19 ounces) Johnsonville Original Bratwurst
- 1 loaf (1 pound) French bread
- 1 small onion, thinly sliced
- 1 medium tomato, thinly sliced

Preheat oven to 350°F.

In a bowl, combine sauce ingredients. Cover and refrigerate until serving.

Grill brats according to package directions. When cool enough to handle, cut into 1/4-inch bias slices.

Slice French bread lengthwise and transfer to a baking sheet. Arrange brat slices on bread bottom. Bake at 350°F for 10 minutes or until bread is lightly browned.

Remove from oven. Top with the sauce, onion and tomato. Cut hoagie and serve.

Cajun Chicken Sausage Jambalaya

Yield: 6 servings

- 1 large onion, chopped
- 1 medium green pepper, chopped
- 2 ribs celery, chopped
- 2 jalapeño peppers, seeded and diced (optional)
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 package (12 ounces) Johnsonville Cajun Style Chicken Sausage links, sliced
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 can (28 ounces) tomatoes, diced
- 1/2 cup water
- 1 tablespoon tomato paste
- 3/4 teaspoon Cajun seasoning
- 1/2 pound frozen cooked medium shrimp, thawed and tails removed
- 2 cups hot cooked rice

In a large saucepan, sauté onion, pepper, celery and jalapeño peppers in oil until crisp-tender. Add sausage and garlic; sauté 1 to 2 minutes longer.

Add tomatoes, water, tomato paste and seasoning; bring to a boil. Reduce heat; cover and simmer for 15 minutes.

Stir in shrimp and rice; heat through.

Easy Sausage Roll-ups

Yield: 14 servings

- 1 package (12 ounces) Johnsonville Breakfast Sausage Links
- 2 containers (16 rolls) refrigerated crescent rolls
- 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- Optional: Warm maple syrup, honey, jam and preserves

Prepare sausage according to package directions. Drain and set aside.

Unroll crescent roll dough. Place one cooked sausage on wide end of a dough triangle. Roll dough around sausage and place on baking pan with the seam side down. Repeat with remaining sausages and dough. (You will have two extra rolls to bake and enjoy with your favorite topping.)

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Also visit the Crafts Village with its quaint little stores, smell the wonderful handmade soy candles that make great Christmas gifts for grandma, mom, sister or anyone for that matter, grab some delicious handmade ice cream, pizza or a hot dog, sip hot chocolate loaded with marshmallows and leave with a white mustache (be sure someone gets that photo!) or munch on a cookie as you check out yummy jams and jellies, sweet local honey, original paintings by a local artist, handmade furniture and more! When you finally head home (you really will not want to go!), you will likely have a lot of your Christmas shopping done, be planning to return to buy gifts for yourself and have a lifetime of memories stored away from your visit to the one and only Spirit of the Suwannee Music Park in Live Oak.

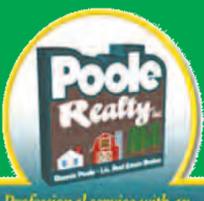
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Suwannee High Environmental Club helps recycle at the Spirit of the Suwannee Music Park

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Suwannee High School Environmental Club members (l to r) Madeline Marler and Juliana Brisbois, front; back row, l to r, Dezmen Earley, Tori Murray, Jordan Gray, Jah Clark, Molly Vogel, Cierra DeHart and Travlin Crain were part of the team that helped recycle during the huge 2012 Magnolia Fest held recently at The Spirit of the Suwannee Music Park in Live Oak. - Photo: Barbara Gill



RECYCLING CAN BE FUN! Suwannee High School Environmental Club members Chris Perera, left, and Karina Marrero handle paperwork during the Magnolia Fest held recently at The Spirit of the Suwannee Music Park in Live Oak where the club spent many hours sorting through recycled items separating them into specific bins. They were among about a dozen club volunteers who spent four days volunteering during the music festival. - Photo: Barbara Gill



JAM RECYCLERS 2012 - Volunteering for the Suwannee High School Environmental Club during the Suwannee River Jam were, back row, Jacob Burnham, CJ Whitt, Dustin Hovey, & Jason Howdeyshell; Middle row, Destiny Jolley, Itzel Hernandez, Justin Jones and Kaitlyn Bonifant; Front, Andrea Castillo. - Photo: Spirit of the Suwannee Music Park

Suwannee High Environmental Club helps recycle

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During the recent Magnolia Fest held at the Spirit of the Suwannee Music Park (SOSMP), students from Suwannee High School's Environmental Club volunteered to assist in recycling efforts. SHS students staffed waste stations to help patrons know how to use the recycling containers, sorted recyclables, helped transfer recyclables from

the waste stations to pick-up areas. Glass, plastic bottles, aluminum cans and cardboard are recycled by Hamilton County as the SOSMP works toward becoming greener.

Environmental Club members have been volunteering at large events at the SOSMP for some time as part of their efforts to stress recycling in Suwannee County. Some club members recently volunteered at the 2012

Suwannee River Jam also.

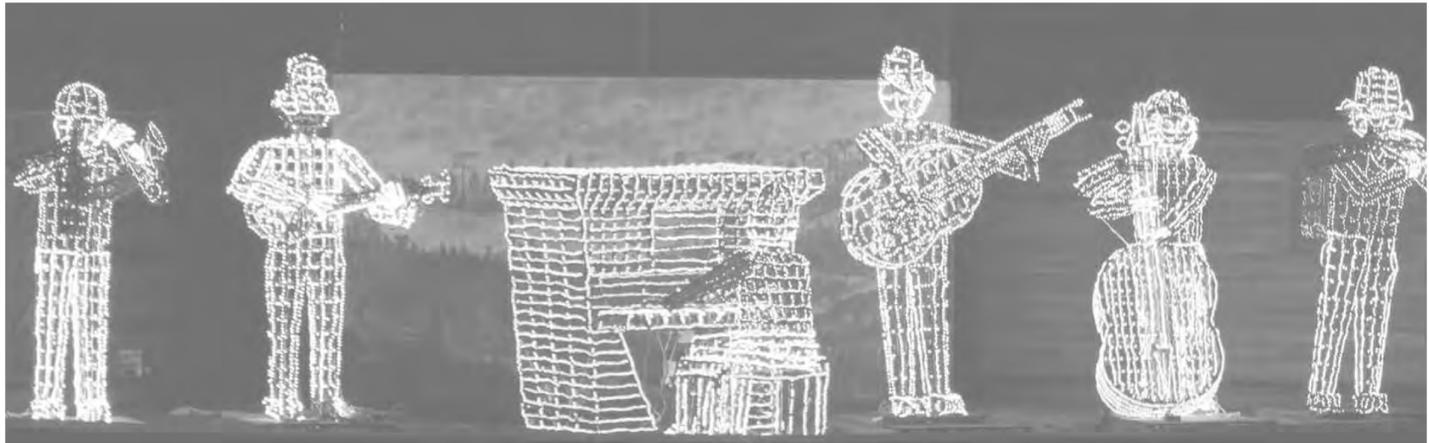
Barbara Gill and club sponsor Amy Hendry volunteer with the students along with parents and others.

For more information about the Spirit of the Suwannee Music Park, reservations for RV parking, campers, primitive camping and cabin rental for this and other events please call 386-364-1683, email spirit@musicliveshere.com or go to www.musi-

cliveshere.com. You may also contact the SOSMP to inquire about any of the many other exciting events coming up.

The Spirit of the Suwannee Music Park is located at 3076 95th Drive 4.5 miles north of Live Oak, FL off US 129 at the famous Suwannee River. The park is 4.5 miles south of Interstate 75 and 4.5 miles north of Interstate 10 off US 129. Keep an eye out for the SOSMP sign and white painted board fence!

Suwannee Lights



Suwannee Lights opens Dec. 1.

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p.m. Dec. 1 - 24.

*Suwannee Lights' admission Sunday - Thursday is \$6 per adult and \$2 per child 4-12 years old, child under 3 are free; Friday - Saturday - \$8 per adult and \$2 per child 4-12 years old, child under 3 are free. You may also go by Taco Bell to pick up discount coupons for Suwannee Lights and Taco Bell with any purchase.

*SOS Café and Restaurant opens at 5 p.m. Monday and Thursday; 6 p.m. Friday and Saturday for dinner and events in the Music Hall.

*Karaoke begins at 7 p.m. Monday and Thursday in the Music Hall.

*Music Hall live music shows begin at 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, closed Tuesday and Wednesday.

If you would like to make reservations for RV parking, cabins, primitive camping

or camper parking for the SOSMP, call 386-364-1683, email spirit@musicliveshere.com or go to www.musicliveshere.com. If you are traveling to North Florida for the holidays, plan to make the SOSMP your home base and become one of our "camping family members." You may also contact the SOSMP to inquire about any of the many exciting events coming up such as live band performances each Friday and Saturday night,

Suwannee Lights, Elvis Christmas Show Dec. 7-8 and the New Year's Eve Party this year.

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LET'S TALK ABOUT YOUR HEALTH

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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Calendar of Events

Covenant First Presbyterian Church

421 White Ave.
Christmas Cantata Dec. 9, 6 p.m. Bill Poplin Director
Suwannee County Senior Citizens
Will be having a Christmas Party at the extension building, CR 136 on Dec. 3, 2012. Please bring a side dish and a \$3.00 exchange gift. Call Shirley Tomac @ 386-362-4508 for more information.

Suwannee County Senior Citizens
Will have their regular meetings on the 1st Monday of every month, beginning Jan. 2013 at 10:30 a.m. Please bring a dish to share. Please stay and enjoy bingo with us for gifts call Shirley Tomac @386-362-4508 for more information.

Divorce forms workshop FREE

Get help with the Fla. Supreme Court Approved Divorce Forms. We will go over the standard forms package including the Financial Affidavit, Parenting Plan, and Child Support guidelines worksheet.

This workshop is free but you must register in advance. To register you must call 386-269-0942 during regular business hours at least five (5) days prior to the class date.

Next class: Dec. 13, 2012
6-8 p.m.
Suwannee River Regional Library
1848 Ohio Ave. S.
Live Oak, Fla 32064

Boy Scout Troop 408

Meets on Thursdays from 7-8:30 at the American Legion Post 107, 10726 142nd St., Live Oak. This is approx. 5.5 miles south of town and 1.5 miles east of Hwy. 129. Membership is open to boys ages 11-17. Join us for camping, hiking, canoeing, and many other outdoor activities.

Cub Scout Pack 408

Meets on Mondays from 6:30-7:30 at the American Legion Post 107, 10726 142nd St., Live Oak. This is approximately 5.5 miles south of town and 1.5 east of Hwy. 129. Membership is open to boys ages 6-10. Join us for camping, archery, BB shooting, and many other fun activities. Parents encouraged to participate.

The Arc North Florida Recycle with us

We recycle: Name brand ink cartridges and laser cartridges, working cell phones w/electric cord, digital cameras - GPS - MP3, laptops.

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The Wellborn United Methodist Church

Located at 12005 CR 137 in downtown Wellborn. From Live Oak and points west, travel east on U.S. 90 to the blinker light at CR 137. Turn left and go about a mile, crossing the railroad tracks. The church is located about a quarter mile north of the tracks on the left (look for signs). From Lake City and points east, travel west on U.S. 90 to the blinker light at CR 137 and turn right.

Flu vaccine available at the Health Department

Seasonal influenza vaccine is now available at the Suwannee County Health Department. Vaccine is available Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 8-11 a.m. and 1-4 p.m. The charge is \$15 for adults and is free of charge for persons age 6 months through 18 years.

For more information call the Suwannee County Health Department at 386-362-2708.

The Suwannee County Health Department is located at 915 Nobles Ferry Road in Live Oak.

The Suwannee Chapter of the Florida Trail Association

Monthly meetings on the second Monday of the month, September through June, at the Suwannee River Water Management District Office, 9225 CR 49, Live Oak, from 7 to 9 p.m. (The office is located on the corner of US 90 and CR 49, 2 miles east of Live Oak.)The Suwannee Chapter of the Florida Trail Association develops, maintains, protects and promotes many miles of the Florida National Scenic Trail, including the Econfina, Ellaville and Big Oak Trails. Founded in 1993, the chapter serves Dixie, Columbia, Hamilton, Lafayette, Madison, Taylor and Suwannee Counties. Monthly meetings provide information on a wide variety of topics pertaining to nature, ecology, wildlife of the area, photography, etc. The public is cordially invited to join us for our monthly meetings as well as hiking/paddling activities throughout the year. Contact Chapter Chair, Sylvia Dunnam, 386-362-3256 or by e-mail at: dunnams@windstream.net, for more information on the association or the monthly program. You may also visit the web site at: www.suwannee.floridatrail.org or www.meetup.com/Suwannee-FTA for a calendar of activities.

Free English classes

Sept. 10 - Dec. 13, 2012
There are four levels of classes from the most basic to the most advanced. You will learn pronunciation, conversation, reading and writing in English. All are welcome.

The hours: Monday and Thursday 7 p.m. - 9 p.m. We are located in the Episcopal Church, St. Luke's, in front of the Suwannee Coliseum, 1391 SW 11th Street, Live Oak.

For more information call the teacher, Phyllis, at 386-249-0096.

Clases de Ingles

Sept. 10 - Dic. 13, 2012
Gratis
Hay cuatro niveles de clases de los mas basicos hasta los mas avanzados. Aprenden la pronunciación, conversación, lectura y escribir en Ingles. Todos tienen la bienvenida.

El horario: Lunes y Jueves, 7 p.m. - 9 p.m. Estamos en frente del coliseo. 1391 SW 11th Street, Live Oak.

Para mas informacion llame a la maestra Felicia 386-249-0096.

Suwannee County Bassmasters

Do you enjoy bass fishing?
Are you the competitive type?
Do you enjoy associating with other fisherman?
Meetings are held at 7 p.m. on the first Thurs. of each month at Huddle House in Live Oak, US 129 and Interstate 10.

The club fishes on the Sat. following the Thurs. meeting at various N. Fla. locations.

Come to our next meeting or call for details Mike Johnson 386-688-4780 or Robert Dees 386-688-0978.

Antioch Baptist Church "Stars Widow Group"

Every 4th Thurs. of each month at 10:30 a.m. 5203 CR 795 Live Oak, Fla. 32060
386-362-3101

Recovery By The Numbers group of Narcotics Anonymous

Meets Wed and Friday at 7:30 p.m. at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 1391 11th St. S.W. Live Oak 386-249-3505 or Help Line # 866-352-5323, <http://uncoastna.org> Recovery by the numbers is not affiliated with St. Lukes

Travel baseball team

North Florida River Rats 10u and 11u Travel baseball team is looking for players. If interested, please contact Jamie Allbritton @ 386- 209-0166

Aluminum can recycle to help save the cats Save the Cats of Live Oak.

Please help us help them. Save your aluminum for recycling. Recycle trailer located in vacant lot next to Dairy Queen. Donations of kitty food, wet food, litter and money to help with expenses can be taken to Thrift Store, 303 East Howard Street, next to Suwannee Democrat. We need your help to help them. Spay, neuter, medications, food, litter and money contributions. We are a non-profit group 501C3 being applied for. For more information, call Barney at 386-364-1006.

Save the Cats Live Oak Volunteers needed!

T.N.R. campaign to save Live Oaks ferrel cats has been started. Ferrel 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 at 386-364-1006 or Ray Cobb 386-688-0036.

Donations needed for Save the Cats of Live Oak

Food barrels for donations of wet & dry food as well as litter are located at Tractor Supply (Lake City and Live Oak) Winn-Dixie, Dollar General Stores, Freds, Downtown Cafe & Big Wheel Market Place. Other items needed include \$ for spay & neuter, blankets, totes, towels, building supplies, services of a carpenter. Please call for additional info 386-364-1006. Non-profit 501C3 being applied for.

Save the cats Live Oak Special adoption rates

Any reasonable donation with application we have kittens from 6 weeks to 6 months, all colors, male & female. All have been spayed & neutered. All have been tested negative for FIV & leukemia.

Normal spay & neuter fees from local vets app \$100+. save money and get a beautiful, loving pet. Call for appointment to see or stop by Big Wheel Market Place, 217 W. Howard St. 386-364-1006 non-profit 501C3 eing applied for.

TOPS Fl #0662

We would like to invite everyone that has a little or a lot of weight to loose, to come visit us. TOPS is a weight loss support group. We strive to help each other through out our meetings. We have different programs such as stress eating, the buffet, portion control, exercise, medications that can cause weight gain, and more. Take Off Pounds Sensibly is an organization that supports you while striving to meet your goal wight, as well as after meeting your goal, and you are working to maintaining our goal. TOPS 0662 meets on Thursday mornings at the First Advent Christian Church. 699 Pinewood Dr. Live oak, FL. We start our weight in at 8 a.m. - 8:50 a.m. The meeting starts at 9 a.m.-10 a.m. your first visit is free, so come and let us support you in your challenge to Take Off Pounds Sensibly. For more information contact Elaine at 386-364-5537.

Volunteer advocates needed

Florida's Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program needs volunteers to join its corps of dedicated advocates who protect the rights of elders who live 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 1-888-831-0404 or visit the program's website at <http://ombudsman.myflorida.com>.

Bryan Morgan
Recruitment Manager
Department of Elder Affairs
Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program
988 Woodcock Rd, Suite 198
Orlando, FL 32803
850-510-3920 (cellular)
407-228-7752 (office)
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morganb@elderaffairs.org

Sparkleberry Chapter, Fla Native Plant Society

The Sparkleberry Chapter meets at 6:30 pm. on the second Tuesday of each month at Hatch Park Community Center, 403 SE Craven Street, Branford, FL 32008. Our meetings are open to the public and everyone is welcome to attend. Call 386-364-9309 for further information."

Navy and Marine Corps

Shipmates who served on the USS Columbus CA-74/CG-12 from 1944 through 1976 and the USS Columbus (SSN-762) past and present, if you would like to share memories and camaraderie with old friends and make new ones, please contact Allen R. Hope, President, 3828 Hobson Road, Fort Wayne, IN 46815-4505.

Home: (260) 486-2221
8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Eastern time.
Fax: 260-492-9771
email: Hope4391@frontier.com

Alcoholics Anonymous

Meetings are held on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at 8 p.m. The meetings are at Nobles Ferry Road next to Meridian Behavioral Health Center. For more information, please call 386-362-4221 or 386-688-3133.

Jasper Market Days

First Saturday each month. 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. downtown on Central Ave. Jasper, Fla.

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Haven Hospice

Compassionate Friends, a national bereavement organization that helps families who have lost a child, is hosting a support group at Haven Hospice. The group 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

Suwannee County Health Department

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 8-11 and 1-4, with the exception of STD services which will be available from 8-10 and 1-3. The Suwannee County Health Department continues our commitment to protect and promote the health of all residents and visitors in Suwannee County.

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 specializes 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, 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.

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We know everyone has different hopes and dreams, different health conditions and weight loss goals. TOPS helps people meet their individual needs through group support.

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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, 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.liveoak-floridagardenclub.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-roading activity. We are a family oriented club that have monthly meetings and organize other activities such as trail rides, camping tis, mud events and fundraising events. Please contact Sarah or Cat at srjc4x4@gmail.com for more info. 386-688-3750 (Sarah).

Volunteer Opportunity & Meeting Notice

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2. Provides technical mechanical work at the garage.
3. Establishes and maintains vehicle operating and maintenance cost records, and evaluates information for purpose of vehicle disposal and replacement. Supervises preventive maintenance and repair program.
4. Assists in preparation and control of the division budget. Determines inventory, levels, parts and supplies. Maintains and prepares reports. (These essential job functions are not to be construed as a complete statement of all duties performed. Employees will be required to perform other job related marginal duties as required.)

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:

- Knowledge of the modern methods of maintaining and repairing automotive, road construction and other specialized heavy equipment.
- Knowledge of the operating principles and maintenance of gasoline and diesel powered engines to include: engine overhauls, diagnosing and repairing fuel and hydraulic systems, transmission repairs and overhauls, diagnosing and the repair of A/C systems.
- Knowledge of the mechanics, uses, limitation and maintenance of Public Works and municipal vehicular equipment, specifically including heavy duty trucks and road construction equipment.
- Ability to plan, assign, inspect, evaluate and supervise the work of skilled and semi-skilled employees engaging in servicing, repairing and maintaining automotive equipment and maintaining record and inventories.
- Ability to establish and maintain vehicle operating and maintenance cost records and to analyze this information for the purpose of recommending equipment disposal and replacement.
- Ability to develop procedures for the most economical operation of repair work and for the most efficient and economical operation and use of equipment.
- Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with superiors and the other employees.

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE:
High School graduation or possession of an acceptable equivalency diploma.

At least five (5) years progressively responsible experience in a large scale program of automotive equipment in a large scale program of automotive equipment maintenance and repair with experience in the private or public sector. (A comparable amount of training, education or experience can be substituted for the minimum qualifications.)

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Class "B" Commercial Florida Driver License with good driving record or be willing to obtain a Class "B" License within one year.

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6	2	4	3	5	1	8	7	9
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6	7	2	1	8	1	4	3	5
4	9	5	7	6	3	2	1	8
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The Wisecrackers and Rusty Groove bands to entertain Nov. 30-Dec. 1



The Wisecrackers Band.



Rusty Groove Band.



Savannah Ward, singer for Rusty Groove Band.

It's going to be a busy and great weekend when The Wisecrackers and Rusty Groove bands entertain Nov. 30-Dec. 1 at The Spirit of the Suwannee Music Park (SOSMP) in Live Oak and Suwannee Lights opens for the 2012 season Dec. 1.

This is also a big weekend in the city of Live Oak where the exciting 28th Annual Christmas on the Square festival takes place in downtown Live Oak Dec. 1 beginning at 8 a.m. followed immediately with one of the largest and most exciting lighted Christmas parades in North Florida. Make reservations now to spend your weekend in Live Oak at the SOSMP where there are beautiful cabins, a tree house and RV and camping parking available. Enjoy The Wisecrackers Band Friday, Nov. 30, in the Music Hall, attend the festival and parade Saturday, Dec. 1, then return to the SOSMP where the Rusty Groove Band will take the stage Saturday evening. You will enjoy dinner in the Music Hall both nights while you relax to great music, dance a while then perhaps you can be among the first people this year to take the Suwannee Lights driving tour at the SOSMP which begins Dec. 1. Along the more than one mile driving route through the SOSMP (vehicle or golf cart) you'll find more than 5 mil-

lion lights in spectacular Christmas scenes developed by SOSMP staff to delight young and old. At the end of the driving tour, take the walking tour, shop the Crafts Village, visit with Santa and his elves and enjoy hot chocolate, cookies and more! Wow! You and the family are going to be really busy but happy by the time this weekend is over and will have made many great memories.

The Wisecrackers Band, rockin' out the house on Friday, Nov. 30, is composed of Kenny Chinn, (keys/vocals), Charlie Chesnut (bass/vocals), Andy Rito (drums), Jon Peavey (guitar/vocals) and Dana Williams (vocals). Honorary members include anyone who has ever been in a position where they knew they should've held their tongue but let it fly anyway because it was too good to pass up! This band plays eclectic soul consisting of all genres. The band's influences include The Derek Trucks Band, Allman Brothers, Gov't Mule, Little Feat, Janis Joplin, Tedeschi Trucks Band, Muddy Waters, Aretha Franklin, BB King, Etta James, Dumpstafunk, Lettuce, The New Mastersounds, Johnny Cash, Willie Nelson, The Warren Haynes Band, Lynyrd Skynyrd, The Beatles, Elvis, James Brown and too many more to list. They've played the Farm to Family Music Festival in High

Springs, Applebee's and Mulligans in Valdosta, Ga, Ellie Rays in Branford and many other events.

Rusty Groove Band takes the stage Saturday night, Dec. 1. This North Florida based band is a trio composed of founding members Ed Ward (guitar/vocals) with many years experience as road musician, song writer and cruise ship entertainer; Art Martin (drums/vocals) who has played the South Florida nightclub circuit as well as special event programs, forming the Rusty Groove Band three years ago; Charlie Chesnut (bass/vocals) is the newest member whose past projects include road musician, studio session and song writing; and singer Savannah Ward who has been with Rusty Groove for the past three years. She's performed at the SOSMP on numerous occasions with Rusty Groove, sings a wide range of styles from country (Linda Ronstadt) to classic rock (Fleetwood Mac) to modern rock/country (Grace Potter and the Nocturnals) and also plays guitar and keyboard. All band members sing lead vocals with strong harmonies. Crowd interaction and participation is always a big part of the show. The band plays nightclubs, civic organizations, special event shows and of course, are regulars at the SOSMP's Music Hall. If you like

great music from new to classic rock, modern to classic country and anything in between, you'll enjoy Rusty Groove.

If you're arriving early, there is karaoke in the Music Hall every Monday and Thursday night beginning at 7 p.m. with one of America's most outstanding Elvis Tribute Artists, Ted "Teddy Mac Elvis" McMullen.

Doors to the Music Hall open at 6 p.m. Friday and Saturday night for dinner, shows begins at 8 p.m. Admission is free. As always, the SOSMP's SOS Café and Restaurant will be open and have available delicious food at regular prices and a full service bar. Please come join us for a great weekend in North Florida at the Spirit of the Suwannee Music Park.

To inquire about upcoming events or make reservations for RV parking, cabins, primitive camping or camper parking for the SOSMP, call 386-364-1683, email spiri@musicliveshere.com or go to www.musicliveshere.com.

The Spirit of the Suwannee Music Park is located at 3076 95th Drive 4.5 miles north of Live Oak off US 129 at the famous Suwannee River. The park is 4.5 miles south of Interstate 75 and 4.5 miles north of Interstate 10 off US 129. Keep an eye out for the SOSMP sign and white painted board fence.

"12 Aprils" Approach to Dairy Grazing

Mary E. Sowerby and Yoana Newman
UF Dairy and Forage Extension

If you have not purchased livestock feed recently, you might not be aware of the approximately 30% price increase since last year at this time being felt on the bottom line of dairy, poultry and other livestock producers. Last summer's severe drought in the mid-west resulted in low quantity and in many cases low quality of corn and soybeans produced, which has sky-rocketed feed costs.

One way dairy producers can fight against high feed prices is by utilizing better homegrown forages and rotationally grazing their cattle. Rotational grazing is a system of moving cattle between small pastures based on when the forage (perennial grass (Bahia, Bermuda, etc.), legume (alfalfa, clovers, perennial peanut, etc.), or small grain (oats, rye, wheat, etc.)) is at optimal height and maturity. After one small pasture has been "harvested" or eaten by the cattle, they are rotated to the next which ideally is also at optimal maturity and height. By rotating through several small pastures, each pasture should have time for regrowth while the next several are being grazed.

Since grasses, legumes and small grains all have different growing seasons and weather is constantly fluctuating, the challenge for rotational grazers is to always have the next pasture at optimal height and maturity. This challenge was seriously discussed Wednesday, November 7, when over 30 dairy graziers, non-graziers and other interested people met together at the 2012 Florida Rotational Grazing Conference.

Musgrave Dairy, owned by Arlie and Cathy Musgrave, served as the initial meeting site. Arlie Musgrave acted as host-guide around his facilities and farm describing how he had moved from the

Bradenton area of Florida and a complete confinement system of housing his cows to a farm with 4-foot tall weed-filled pastures which he has converted into a rotational grazing system near Mayo, FL. Arlie showed the group his unique cooling ponds for his cows, K-line system of cow cooling and irrigation and an experimental fly vacuum designed to reduce particu-



Arlie Musgrave (second from right) confers with attendees of the 2012 Florida Dairy Grazing Conference at his dairy near Mayo, FL, on November 7.

larly horn flies on dairy cattle.

Following the farm tour and lunch, the group heard from Tom Trantham from Pelzer, SC, who at one point in his career was about to have his very high producing, confinement dairy farm foreclosed. About that time his cows broke loose and headed for a grassy field. To Tom's surprise, his cows' milk production increased after this meal. As he looked closer he observantly realized his cows were only eating the top half of the grass available.

Working with Clemson University re-

searchers, Tom Trantham learned cows have a natural ability to discern where the most nutritious parts of plants are located and can essentially feel with their tongues and mouths where the more lignified (indigestible) parts of plants start under the more nutritious newer top growth. In spring (April) most plants are at this most nutritious stage, so Tom began a quest to

find plants which would provide his cows "12 Aprils" during the year. His farm name has since become 12 Aprils Dairy. He now plants various crops throughout the year to provide rotationally-grazed pastures at optimal height and maturity of growth to continually optimize the nutrition given his cows.

Dr. Yoana Newman, University of Florida Extension Forage Specialist next gave a presentation on the various forages available in Florida and South Georgia which could potentially be used in a simi-

lar or modified "12 Aprils" system.

The conference ended with the sharing of rotational-grazing experiences by Joe Wright, who converted his fully confinement dairy in Avon Park, FL, to rotational grazing about three years ago; Gary Keyes who has two-rotational grazing dairies, one which uses center pivots near Mayo, FL, and another with mostly unirrigated pastures of various shapes in Webster, FL; and Pete Hetherington, from Waynesboro, GA, who has managed the building of several rotational grazing dairies using center pivots from the ground up.

Rotational grazing is not for all dairy producers, but those who have gone that route have typically found lower employee, electricity, building and machinery costs lead to an improved bottom line - even factoring in a usually lower milk production from their cattle when compared to being housed in a free stall barn.

If you are interested in Tom Trantham's "12 Aprils" grazing approach, he is featured in an excellent 16-minute video found at: <http://www.sare.org/Learning-Center/Multimedia/Videos-from-the-Field/Sustainable-12-Aprils-Dairy-Grazing>. For more information about Florida forages check out:

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Old Tyme Farm Days & Swamp Meet Heritage Days drew thousands this year while several hundred enjoyed Thanksgiving dinner community style

The 2012 Old Tyme Farm Days & Swamp Meet Heritage Days at the Spirit of the Suwannee Music Park (SOSMP) was one of the largest yet. Thousands of people camped over the holiday weekend at the SOSMP with family and friends to enjoy time away from home and work and just had fun!

The weekend got off to a good start with a huge crowd enjoying a community Thanksgiving dinner Nov. 22 where everyone brought a covered dish and paid \$5 to enjoy lunch with strangers, friends and family. SOSMP officials said it was one of the largest Thanksgiving dinners ever held at the SOSMP. This event has become a Thanksgiving tradition enjoyed by thou-

sands over the years. Guests feasted on turkey and dressing, ham and all the goodies you could dream of that guests made for this wonderful community event.

Thursday evening Ted "Teddy Mac Elvis" McMullen directed karaoke and also performed in the Music Hall. Friday night Justin Case Band played after Rion Paige opened for the popular band. Rion, 12, has become one of the favorite performers at the SOSMP, along with Justin Case. Saturday night Southern Rukus kept the crowd entertained with more country, country rock and a variety of other music.

Old Tyme Farm Days was held Friday and Saturday, Nov. 23-24, delighting the hundreds of folks who came with vintage

tractors and farm equipment, a petting zoo, vendors, a tractor and golf cart parade and lots and lots of other fun throughout the weekend.

If you want to enjoy Old Tyme Farm Days next year, it's time now to make your reservations for camping, cabins or primitive camping to make sure there's space available for you and your family.

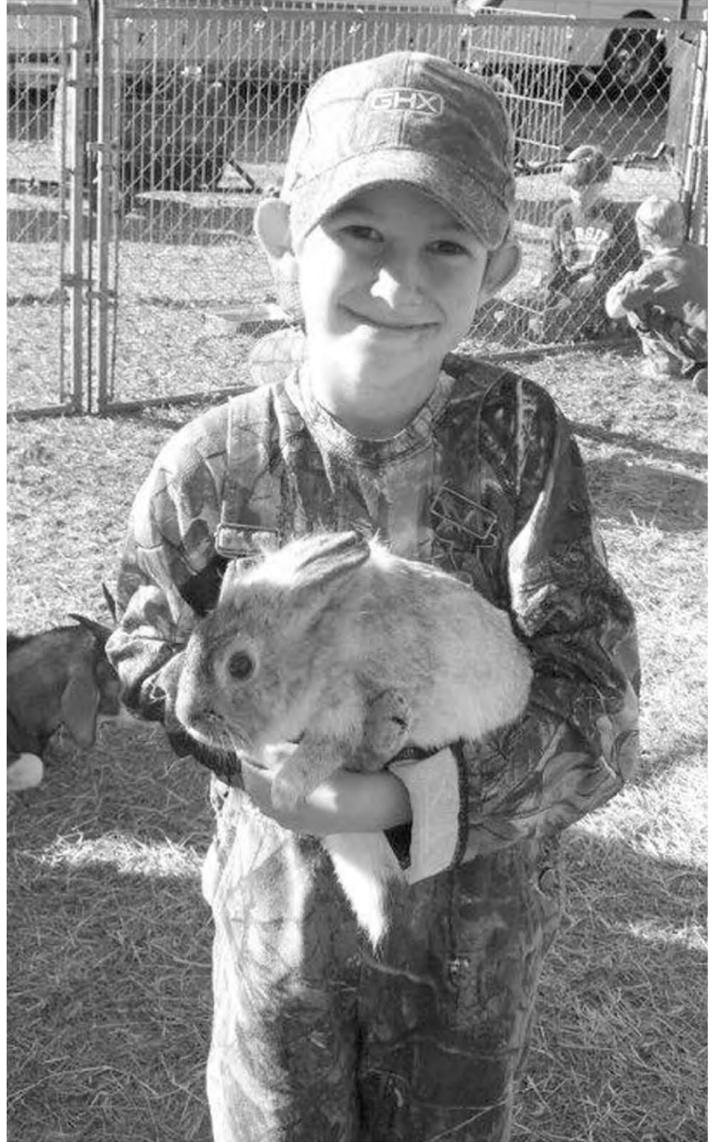
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nee Lights, Elvis Christmas Show, New Year's Eve Party and many other wonderful events. Coming up in 2013 is two days of the I Remember You Elvis Contest for Elvis fans Jan. 25-27, Aura Festival, Suwannee River Jam Auditions, SpringFest, Wane and the 2013 Suwannee River Jam. Call the SOSMP for more information!

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Ladies never tire of shopping and the Old Tyme Farm Days provided many opportunities this year!



This Old Tyme Farm Days visitor took a liking to this beautiful rabbit while he was attending the annual event Nov. 23-24 at the Spirit of the Suwannee Music Park.



This tractor owner took the opportunity to give his little one the chance of a lifetime and let him sit in the driver's seat during the annual parade at Old Tyme Farm Days.



The 2012 Old Tyme Farm Days & Swap Meet Heritage Days at the Spirit of the Suwannee Music Park drew thousands to enjoy a step back into the past, including this tractor parade held Saturday afternoon, Nov. 24. Photos Submitted



This lady had her own pink painted tractor for the parade.



Friday night, Nov. 23, country singer Rion Paige, a regular performer at the Spirit of the Suwannee Music Park, opened for Justin Case Band with rousing songs and exciting performances.



Justin Case Band member Monty Savitz, local musician, songwriter, YouTube star and hard working family man, plays during the band's performance Nov. 23 at the Spirit of the Suwannee Music Park.



The tractor parade included this smaller version of a John Deere.



Dozens of vendors provided an opportunity for Old Tyme Farm Days visitors to shop such as at this vendor's tent where beautiful handmade jewelry was available.



Bunnies were among the many animals in the petting zoo at the Spirit of the Suwannee Music Park's annual Old Tyme Farms Days & Swamp Meet held Nov. 23-24. Photos Submitted

Calendar of Events

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The Arc North Florida

Adults with Disabilities Program. Open to Branford and surrounding adults with intellectual or developmental disabilities. We meet every Friday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the health department building in Branford, Fla.

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

Navy and Marine Corps

Shipmates who served on the USS Columbus CA-74/cG-12 from 1944 through 1976 and the USS COLUMBUS (SSN-762) past and present, if you would like to share memories and camaraderie with old friends and make new ones, please contact Allen R. Hope, President, 3828 Hobson Road, Fort Wayne, IN 46815-4505. Home: (260) 486-2221 - 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Eastern Time, Fax: 260-492-9771, email: Hope439@frontier.com.

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 Bruce Ward for information at 386-688-4018.

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 p.m. 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 Clerk of Court's conference room at the Courthouse in Live Oak. For more information call Randy Torrence (362-1776) or Eric Musgrove (842-2174).

Grief support group

Meeting weekly at First Baptist Church in Live Oak at 6 p.m. on Wednesdays. Call 362-1583 for more information. Non-denominational - everyone welcome.

Baptist Men's Meeting at Wellborn Baptist Church

The 2nd Thursday night of every month beginning at 6:30 p.m. 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, Fla. Call 386-963-2231 with any questions or visit our website at www.wellbornbaptist.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 p.m.. 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, 7 p.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

Free meals for seniors

First Baptist Church of Dowling Park. 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://ombudsman.myflorida.com/) <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 Church of the Nazarene, 515 Church Street, S.W., Live Oak, on Thursday nights throughout the year, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. Membership is open to boys who have finished the fifth grade and are at least 10, or who are 11-17. They age-out at 18. Parents are always welcome to participate as leaders, on the troop committee or to work as a merit badge counselor. Monthly campouts, winter camp and summer camp are but a few of its activities. For additional information, please contact Scoutmaster Charles Stephens, 364-3766, charles@suwanneensurance.com.

Wellborn Community Association (WCA)

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

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. 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, Fla. 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, Fla. Call 386-963-2231 with any questions or visit our website at www.wellbornbaptist.com.

Lake Park Line Dancers

Offer beginner lessons Tuesdays 1 - 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 p.m., 4th Saturday/mo. 7 - 8 p.m. 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.

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, 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).

I am putting together a family history book

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

Stop, drop and Recycle for Adults with Disabilities.

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

Free Sunday lunch

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) 935-1076 or Roger Burnside 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, Fla.

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 p.m. 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.

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

Donations needed!

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

CJBAT tests

Monday - Thursday

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

College Placement Tests

Monday - Thursday

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

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.

Love a mystery?

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

Free English-speaking and literacy classes

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



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