

## POLICE

### 4 nabbed for cocaine trafficking



Mendez



Avila



Alas



Arnaez

### Bond set at \$550K each

By Bryant Thigpen  
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A traffic stop on Thursday, May 23, resulted in four arrests on multiple drug charges including trafficking in cocaine, according to the Live Oak Police Department.

According to a LOPD report, Officer Robert Fipps was working a traffic assignment in the school zone around Walker Avenue. Around 10:30 a.m., Fipps detected a blue Ford car traveling 40 mph in a posted 20 mph. Fipps conducted a traffic stop near the intersection of Walker Avenue and Pinewood Drive, near Suwannee Intermediate and Suwannee Primary schools.

Fipps approached the vehicle and made contact with the driver, Ana Mendez, 23, 11401 SW 132nd Ave., Miami. Fipps then made contact with the other passengers: Carlos Alas Jr., 27, 12242 SW 16th Terrace, Miami; Alexis Avila, 29, 11800 SW 184th St., Miami; and Reyes Guillermo Arnaez, 63, 25520 SW 137th Ave., Miami.

Fipps checked all occupants

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### Sexual predator charged for failing to register

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A Live Oak man was arrested Thursday after he failed to register as a sexual predator, according to the Suwannee County Sheriff's Office.



Beasley

According to a SCSO report, Jordan Beasley, 68, 1825 Davis St. NE, Live Oak, is a sexual predator as defined by the Florida Statutes and registered with SCSO on May 21 when he established residence within Suwannee County.

At the time of registration, Beasley was informed of his obligations in complying with 775.21 (6) F.S. As of May 30, Beasley failed to meet the requirement by not reporting in person to the driver's license office of the Department of

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## BLACKSMITHING BY CHANCE

### Local man dabbles in forgotten trade

By Andrew McGee  
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Irvin "Irv" Chance is a Suwannee County resident, but was born and raised in Arkansas. He now lives in McAlpin with his wife Anda. They are both retired and what Irv spends

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Irv Chance in his typical blacksmith attire surrounded by his tools of the trade.

-Photos: Andrew McGee

## Sheriff: Grandson steals checks from grandmother

By Bryant Thigpen  
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A grandson was charged with three counts of forgery and grand theft for reportedly stealing checks totaling \$2,900 from his grandmother, according to the Suwannee County Sheriff's Office.

According to a SCSO report, on June 2 at approximately 6 a.m., a deputy was dispatched to Bank of America, 201 South Ohio Ave., Live Oak, in reference to a grandmother who reported some checks were stolen by her grandson, Wyman Ray Jackson, 42, 10541 24th St., Live Oak.

The grandmother, accompanied by her two daughters, told the deputy her grandson had been living with her and took the checks.

The grandmother observed three checks written to a neighbor and one written to Wyman Jackson while at the bank. She said she did not sign the checks. Three of the checks were cashed in Live Oak and one was cashed in Gainesville.

The total value of the money missing is \$2,900.

The deputy then had the victim write out a written statement. According to the deputy, the signature on the statement form appeared very "shaky" and the signature on the check was neat.

The deputy later spoke with Jackson and he denied forging the checks. Jackson told the deputy his grandmother only gave him one check about a month ago. Jackson told him she signed the check and he cashed it in Gainesville and stated there were no other checks given to him.

After the deputy showed Jackson the other three checks, he said "oh yeah" and said she gave him three more and asked the neighbor to cash it for him because he wasn't going to town. Jackson told the deputy the checks were filled out except



Jackson

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## Andrea to visit later this week?

### 1st named storm may be forming in Gulf

Staff

The first named storm of 2013 may be looming due to showers and thunderstorms that have been festering in the southern Gulf of Mexico and northwest Caribbean over the last few days. So far, as of Tuesday, the system was called Invest 91-L. If current conditions remain, we could be looking at welcoming Andrea to our area including Suwannee, Hamilton and Lafayette counties.

"If the 'festering area' of convection consolidates and persists near surface low pressure as the models have depicted, a tropical or

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## CITY OF LIVE OAK

### Shelter animals need good homes

By Amber Vann, intern  
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When most people think about where to go to adopt a pet in Suwannee County, it's usually to an animal shelter outside of town. However, there's another option right here in the middle of Live Oak - the City of Live Oak

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One of the City of Live Oak Shelter residents photographed recently needs a good home.

- Photo: Amber Vann

## One dead in motorcycle crash Saturday night

Staff

A 65-year-old Live Oak man was killed Saturday night after the motorcycle he was driving struck the rear of an unknown car, according to the Florida Highway Patrol.

According to FHP, William Martin Shiver, 65, who was wearing a helmet, died after being thrown off the 2006 Harley Davidson mo-

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## I-10 crash halts morning traffic

By Bryant Thigpen  
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A vehicle crash on I-10 Wednesday morning, May 29, halted westbound traffic for about 30 minutes after a sport utility vehicle towing a small U-Haul trailer lost control and struck the left rear trailer tire of a tractor-trailer.

According to an FHP report, Beatrice

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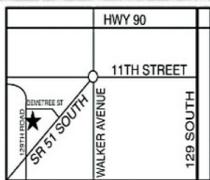
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 LOPD-Live Oak Police Department  
 FDLE-Florida Department of Law Enforcement  
 FHP-Florida Highway Patrol  
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 DOT-Department of Transportation  
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 P & P-Probation and Parole  
 USMS-US Marshals Service  
 ATF-Department of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms  
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May 23, Reyes Guillermo Amaez, 63, 25520 SW 137th Ave, Apt 108, Naranja, FL, Poss Cocaine W/Intent +20, Poss +20 Marijuana, Traffic Cocaine: LOPD- R. Fipps

May 30, Justin Caleb Kirby, 21, 1411 Myrtle Ave SW, Live Oak, FL, Burglary/Theft: LOPD- M. Pittman

May 30, Norine Zeigler Bryant, 75, 214 NW 2nd St, Live Oak, FL, Agg Assault (D.V.): LOPD- M. Pittman

May 30, Elizabeth Ann Lay, 44, 1600 SE Helvenston Q-1, Live Oak, FL, Poss Contrl Subs W/I Sell, Poss Contrl Subs W/I Sell, Poss Contrl Subs W/I Sell: SCSODTF- Ramirez

May 30, Amy Renee Bloomberg, 29, 1767 644th Street NE, Old Town, FL, VOP (/C Cotrl Subs by Fraud/Attempted: SCSO- A. Loston

May 30, Gerardo Santiago Lopez, 23, 445 Evelyn Ave, Live Oak, FL, No DL 5Cts, Leaving the Scene W/Inj, Attach Tag Not Assigned, VOP-Fleeing Police Off in High Speed Pursuit, VOP-No Valid DL, VOP-No Valid DL, VOP-No Valid DL: FHP- M. E. Birchard

May 30, Jordan L. Beasley, 68, 1825 Davis Street, NE, Live Oak, FL, FTC W/Sexual Predator

Registration: SCSO- S. Larney

May 30, Barbara Elaine Vickery, 34, 6591 SW 92nd Drive, Jasper, FL, VOP O/C Poss of Oxycodone, VOP O/C Poss Control Subs: SCSO- M. Clark

May 31, Ronald Earnest Stapleton, 37, 9872 14th Rd, Live Oak, FL, Sent 10 Days-Wkends: SCSO- H. Tucker

May 31, Roberto Rivero, 44, 16387 188th St, O'Brien, FL, Poss Grow House +25 Plant, Manufacture Cannabis, Trespass/Grand Larceny-Utilities, Poss Drug Paraphernalia, Trafficking Cannabis: SCSODTF- R. Sammons

June 1, Anthony Wendell Jones, 47, 1600 Railroad Avenue, Live Oak, FL, Agg Assault-3 Cts, Carry Concealed Weapon: LOPD- R. Fipps

June 1, Brittany Renee Parrish, 24, 20410 CR 49, O'Brien, FL, Battery-Dom Violence: T. Lee

June 2, Ronald Harrell Cates, 25, 18584 66th St, Live Oak, FL, Batt on Elderly-Dom Viol: SCSO- C. Watson

June 2, Elizabeth Jean Perez, 45, 1853 S 900 West, Andrews, IN, DWLS/R: OALE- T. Hingson

June 2, Wyman Ray Jackson, 42, 10541 24th St, Live Oak, FL, Forgery 3Cts, Uttering Forged Inst 3Cts, Grand Theft: SCSO- C. Watson

June 3, Jakob William Sykes, 24, 4140 286th Terr, Branford, FL, Battery (Dom Viol): SCSO- J. Brooks

June 3, Jeffery Lee Reid, 41, 6210 57th Rd, Live Oak, FL, Retail Theft, Columbia Co VOP O/C Resis W/O Viol Contrib to Minor: SCSO- K. Descarreaux

June 3, Darius Price Jones, 18, 514 George Ave, Live Oak, FL, Order Take Into Custody: SCSO- D. McDaniel

June 3, Brian Emery Johnson, 46, 15420 117th Rd, McAlpin, FL, Traff Contr Subst -14 Gnm, Traff in a Contr Subst: SCSO- A. Sutton

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# Mayor Nobles elected Chair of Regional Planning Council

Gainesville, Fla. – City of Live Oak Mayor Garth Nobles, Jr. has been elected Chair of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council. Mayor Nobles has served on the Council since 1992, representing the City of Live Oak.

The Council, in partnership with economic development organizations and local governments, promotes regional strategies, partnerships and solutions to strengthen the economic competitiveness and quality of life of the 11 counties and 33 incorporated municipalities in the north central portion of Florida.

The Council, whose members are local elected officials and gubernatorial appointees, administers a variety of state and federal programs for north central Florida including Alachua, Bradford, Columbia, Dixie, Gilchrist, Hamilton, Lafayette, Madison, Suwannee, Taylor and Union Counties.

Programs include development of the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy, the Strategic Regional Policy Plan, technical assistance to local governments in development of comprehensive plans, land development regulations and grant management, and



Mayor Garth Nobles, Jr., City of Live Oak, Chair of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council and Lorene Thomas, Dixie County Gubernatorial Appointee, Immediate Past Chair of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council.

administration of developments of regional impact, local mitigation strategies, hazardous materials, homeland security and economic development programs.

In addition, the Council staffs the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization for the Gainesville Urbanized Area, the North Central Florida Local Emergency

Planning Committee, the North Central Florida Regional Hazardous Materials Response Team and The Original Florida Tourism Task Force.

Nobles has been very active in the organization. He has previously served one term as Chair and two terms as Vice-Chair, Secretary-Treasurer, Chair of the Finance Committee, Nomi-

ating Committee and Program Committee. He has been a member of the Board of Directors for 20 terms. He has also served as a Council representative to the Florida Regional Councils Association.

The Council's offices are located in Gainesville. More information about the Council can be found at [www.ncfrpc.org](http://www.ncfrpc.org).

# Wilson/Woodham Wedding reminder

Tara Wilson and Chris Woodham of Live Oak would like to remind you of their upcoming wedding.

The wedding will take place in Mayo, Fla., on June 8, 2013 at 6 p.m. All friends and family are invited to attend.

## Suwannee County Chamber of Commerce Quarterly Luncheon

Guest Speaker: p.m.  
Thomas Mende-President of International Business Development, Klausner Trading USA  
Date: June 13 11:45-1  
Location: Live Oak Church of God  
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## Fundraiser to support Candy Vickers' ESE class at SHS

We will be having chance drawings for tethered hot air balloon rides.

Our fundraiser is Saturday, June 8, beginning at 8 a.m. in the Fred's parking lot in Live Oak. You will

also have a chance to win a trip in a hot air balloon from Tallahassee. Free pizza will be served. All proceeds go to Candy Vickers' ESE class at Suwannee High School.

## Thank you Suwannee County and thank you Postal Letter Carriers

### Live Oak Post Office hauls in more than 10,000 pounds of food

The National Association of Letter Carriers and local rural letter carriers held their annual national "Stamp Out Hunger" Food Drive on Saturday, May 11, and collected more than 10,000 pounds of non-perishable food in Live Oak and Suwannee County. The letter carriers are proud of their history of conducting a very successful food drive each year. They thank their customers for their donations. Likewise, United Way of Suwannee Valley, which coordinates the event, and the recipient food pantries thank each and every letter carrier for the extra work they do to collect the food.

Post office employees coordinating the event were Rick McManaway, NALC member, and Blair Beaty, Live Oak Postmaster. United Way is also in contact with the rural postmasters in Branford, McAlpin, O'Brien and Wellborn to provide any assistance needed.

The food drive comes at a crucial time of year for food needs in our community. It comes at a time of year when the holiday donations are depleted, yet the summer is coming, and the many children who depend

on the school lunch program are out of school for the summer, increasing the demands on the food pantries.

Food banks and food pantries have reported a huge increase in the requests for food the last two years with general costs of food and fuel increasing. "On behalf of the agencies, and, ultimately, the families in need of the food, thank you to each and every postal patron for the food donations and to each and every letter carrier for proudly doing the extra work required," said United Way Executive Director Rita Dopp.

Food collected is donated to local agencies and churches that have food pantries which, in turn, make the food available to residents in need.

United Way of Suwannee Valley is a community impact and fundraising organization which, utilizing volunteers on all levels, advances the common good by identifying unmet community needs and seeking to alleviate those needs through United Way of Suwannee Valley initiatives and the funding of 21 affiliated health and human service agencies.

## "Free Nursing Home Planning Workshop

Anyone who is concerned about how they will pay for nursing home care should attend this informative workshop led by local elder law attorney Teresa Byrd Morgan. The program will be held Thursday, June 20, 2013, at 10:00 a.m., at Morgan Law Center for Estate & Legacy Planning (234 East Duval Street, Lake City). Seating is limited and reservations are required. To reserve a seat, please call Tammy Hale at 386-755-1977."

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*Engagement announcement*  
*Rooney / Ridenbaugh*

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Amber Leigh Rooney and Silas Matthew Ridenbaugh

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# 7th Annual Tropical Nights Rock the Suwannee June 7-8

Friday night band is Homemade Wine with Jimmy Parrish and his Ocean Waves Band Saturday night. Admission is \$15 per person per night!

SPRIT OF THE SUWANNEE MUSIC PARK, LIVE OAK, FLA - It's that time of the year again and the Phlockers on the Suwannee Parrott Head Club is taking over the Music Hall at The Spirit of the Suwannee Music Park (SOSMP) June 7 - 8 for a weekend of music, dancing and fun with the Homemade Wine Band and Jimmy Parrish and the Ocean Waves Band. The Phlockers will also host its 7th Annual Kick in the Grass Kickball Tourney June 8.

Proceeds from the exciting weekend will benefit the end-of-life wish-granting division of Hospice of the Nature Coast for children and their families.

Admission for the event is \$15 per person per night at the door. Saturday evening is the Pirates and Wenches party with preferred dress as pirates and wenches. If you prefer not to dress in costume, that's OK also.

Phlockers on the Suwannee PHC, formerly Gators in Paradise (different name, same great people), is a non profit organization whose sole purpose is to provide a social interaction and meeting people interested in Jimmy Buffett's music and tropical spirit while... "LEAVING THINGS JUST A LITTLE BIT BETTER THAN WE FOUND THEM."

The Phlockers have sent

out a kickball challenge to all Parrott Head clubs for the Saturday, June 8, morning challenge! The winner will receive a \$100 check to their favorite charity!

Guests should arrive Friday in time to enjoy the exciting Homemade Wine Band in the Music Hall. The term Homemade Wine sounds like somebody might have mixed up a bunch of ingredients, sat back and waited on it to ferment, then pulled out the cork, gathered some friends together and kicked off a house rockin' throw down. Knoxville, Tennessee's singer/songwriter Ryan Shely followed that same recipe when he and his percussionist brother Tod Shely formed Homemade Wine the band in 2009. They mixed in a measure of drums from Knoxville's Brad Williams, a dose of guitarist/singer Andy Westcott and topped it off with

one of Nashville's hottest bass players Rick Reese, a graduate of the prestigious Berklee College of Music in Boston. This band will rock the house Friday night, June 7!

Saturday, Parrott Club members will enjoy the kickball tournament, then pursue their preferred activities in the afternoon before returning to the Music Hall in their pirate or wenches' attire to enjoy Jimmy Parrish and the Ocean Waves Band. A native Floridian and long-time Jacksonville

resident, Jimmy Parrish has performed as a solo act and with his band for nearly 30 years. After forming the Ocean Waves Band in 2000, his goal to entertain audiences throughout the southeast with an island style tropical vibe was successful. Armed with a combination of acoustic rock heavily influenced by the music of Jimmy Buffett, along with his love for the ocean and his time spent in the islands, Jimmy helped pave the way for a musical genre now known as Trop

Rock. A singer/songwriter, Jimmy Parrish and his band were awarded the Horizon Award in 2010 by the international Trop Rock organization, the Margarita Mafia. In 2008, Kenny Chesney management group hosted a nationwide contest to find the "Next Big Star," which Jimmy and his band won in the Northeast Florida region. As a result, they opened for Chesney when he performed at the Jacksonville Memorial Arena later that year. Jimmy has been with Tropical Nights since its infancy 7 years ago in 2006. Don't miss this very special, nationally known band!

Doors open to the Music Hall at 6 p.m. June 7-8, music begins at 7 p.m.

The superb SOS Café and Restaurant at the SOSMP is open Thursday through Monday with lunch and dinner available. Breakfast is served Saturday and Sunday. The menu features many delicious foods and beverages along with evening meal specials.

For more information about the SOSMP or this event, or to make reservations for cabins, RV or camper parking or primitive camping, go to [www.musicliveshere.com](http://www.musicliveshere.com), call 386-364-1683 or email [spirit@musicliveshere.com](mailto:spirit@musicliveshere.com). You may also call 352-316-6906 or go to [www.phlockersonthesuwannee.com](http://www.phlockersonthesuwannee.com) for more information.

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 SOSMP is 4.5 miles south of Interstate 10 off US 129. Keep an eye out for the SOSMP sign and white painted board fence!



Jimmy Parrish



Homemade and Ocean Waves Band



## OBITUARIES

**Isabell Clawson Wolff**  
May 31, 2013

Isabell Clawson Wolff, 83, of Tallahassee, Fla., passed away May 31, 2013. She was of the Advent Christian Faith.

Isabell is survived by her son, Buford (Molly) Tyre, of Tallahassee, Fla.; daughters, Diane (George) Cooper and Brenda (Art) Williams, both of Lloyd, Fla.; grandchildren, Scott (Jennifer), Jason (Shawn), Ashley, Justin, Connie, and Chad (Barbara); great-grandchildren, Alexis, Christina, Stephanie, Megan, Brandon, Brad, Emily, Tyler, Dustin, Lauren, and Logan; and great-great-granddaughter, Hanna.

Isabell is preceded in death by her husband, Karl Wolff; and parents, William and Elise Clawson.

Funeral services will be held 11 a.m., Thursday, June 6, 2013, at Beggs Funeral Homes, Apalachee Parkway Chapel, 3322 Apalachee Parkway, Tallahassee, Fla., 32311. Family will receive friends one hour prior to services, from 10 until 11 a.m. In lieu of flowers, the family re-

**Dr. Trish Bailey is leaving the Live Oak Walmart Vision Center. She is moving to the Eye Center of North Florida in Lake City. The new number is (386) 755-7595. Patient charts will be left at the Walmart Vision Center with Dr. Lou Schwartz. Please call with any questions.**

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quests that donations be made to the Dowling Park Advent Christian Benevolent Fund, Post Office Box 4305, Dowling Park, Fla. 32064.

**Walt Doughty**  
July 14, 1936  
June 2, 2013

Walt Doughty, 76, of Live Oak, Fla., passed away on Sunday, June 2, 2013. The Bridgeton, New Jersey native owned and operated an automotive mechanic shop, Walt's Auto Truck Service, and loved working on anything with an engine. He was a member of the Masons, Evening Star Lodge #97. Mr. Doughty was a member of Westwood Baptist Church, Live Oak, Fla.

He is survived by his wife: Cathy Doughty, Live Oak, Fla.; three sons: Walter D. Doughty, Jr., Prospect Heights, IL; Joseph C. Doughty, Franklin, TN; and Samuel E. Doughty, Daytona Beach, Fla.; sister: Edith Peterson, Bridgeton, NJ; two brothers: James Doughty and Willis Doughty, both of Bridgeton, NJ; five grandchildren: Heidi, Lindsay, Cathi Jo, Charles and Paige.

He will be dearly missed by his family and friends.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m., Friday, June 7, 2013 at Westwood Baptist Church, Live Oak, Fla. with Rev. Jim McCoy officiating.

Please sign the guestbook at [www.danielsfuneralhome.com](http://www.danielsfuneralhome.com)

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

**William Martin Shiver**  
Dec. 30, 1947  
June 1, 2013

William Martin Shiver, age 65 of Live Oak, passed away suddenly on Saturday June 1, 2013 from injuries sustained in an motorcycle accident. Mr. Shiver was born on Dec. 30, 1947 in Lake City, Fla. to the late Harold and Janice Merritt Shiver. He was an electrical lineman and living most of his life in the southern California area until he moved back to Live Oak in 2010. Mr. Shiver was a Navy Veteran having served in the Seabees during the Vietnam War; Mr. Shiver was also a member of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers.

Mr. Shiver is survived by his daughter: Shellie Shiver Sharp of California; son: Kenneth (Cheryl) Shiver of High Springs; brother: Richard Shiver of Gainesville and one grandchild: Lacey Brooke Shiver of High Springs.

Graveside memorial services for Mr. Shiver will be conducted on Tuesday June 11, 2013 at 10 a.m. at the Dekle Cemetery in Lake Butler. There will be no visitation. Archer Funeral Home of Lake Butler is in charge of all arrangements, 386-496-2008. Please sign the guestbook at [www.archerfuneralhome.com](http://www.archerfuneralhome.com)

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## Suwannee Democrat



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4. Attract more business and growth
5. Build up I-10, US 129 corridor

### GUEST COLUMN

## A reality check for storm chasers

T. G. Shuck

CNHI News Service

It was bound to happen, based on the numbers and the odds. Since the advent of storm chasing, we knew it was inevitable. It could have taken five days or 50 years but it wasn't a question of if but when.

A veteran, experienced storm chaser puts himself in harm's way in the name of science and protecting the public, then loses the battle against Mother Nature. Sadly this happened Friday evening to Tim Samaras, 55, and his two-man crew -- son Paul, 24, and Carl Young, 45 -- near the Oklahoma City suburb of El Reno.

As supercell thunderstorms exploded in the volatile atmosphere across west-central Oklahoma, the storm chasers sat poised and ready to follow these destructive monsters, hoping for a close encounter with nature's fury. The mission was to get close, but not too close.

Despite the advances in technology and Doppler radar there's no sure-fire way to predict a tornado's path once it begins to scour the earth's surface. They shift, they wobble, they bounce around. Storm chasing is like putting your heels on the edge of a 100-foot cliff -- get as close to the edge as you can and hope nothing shifts to send you over. The El Reno tornado shifted its path many times, with deadly consequences.

Tim Samaras was a pioneer in storm chasing; better yet, storm researching -- 25 plus years under his belt. He was well respected and cautious.

You name it, he had done it. He founded and ran a scientific field research program dubbed TWISTEX (Tactical Weather Instrumented Sampling in Tornadoes Experiment) which made huge strides in tornado and severe thunderstorm research. He developed probes placed in the path of a tornado that would literally be sucked into the vortex in order to collect data. Remember the experiment named Dorothy from the movie Twister? He inspired that.

Tim held a place in the Guinness Book of World Records for measuring the greatest pressure drop inside a tornado. He starred in the Discovery Channel series Storm Chasers, which afforded him a bit of celebrity that he had truly earned.

So how could this happen to Tim Samaras and his crew? Out of the hundreds and hundreds of tornadoes that Tim had encountered in his quarter-century career, how could this be the fatal one.

It was because the El Reno tornado was different. This supercell ended up being a storm chasers worst nightmare, a perfect scenario of what you don't want to see on a chase.

I spent many hours that evening watching live streaming video from the local stations in Oklahoma City, along with tracking this storm on radar. From my chair three things stood out about this tornado that made it an uber tough storm to chase.

1) It was a large HP (high precipitation) supercell. In lay terms it was rain-wrapped. Unlike the Moore, Okla., tornado 11 days earlier that was easily visible as it grew into a monster EF-5, the heavy rain blocked the view on this one, or at least made it very difficult to see. What is not visible on the other side of the rain shield can potentially kill you, and unfortunately it appears that may have happened.

2) This tornado was a wobbler. With its large circu-

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### BIBLE VERSE

"A gentle answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger." Proverbs 15:1 NIV

Letters To The Editor,  
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Please include your full name, address and daytime phone number. We ask this so we can verify your letter and discuss any questions about it with you.

### OPINION

## Understanding Liberals and Progressives

### A MINORITY VIEW

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BY WALTER WILLIAMS



In order to understand the liberal and progressive agenda, one must know something about their world vision and values. Let's examine some of the evidence.

Why the 1970s struggle to ban DDT? Alexander King, founder of the Malthusian Club of Rome, wrote in a 1990 biographical essay: "My own doubts came when DDT was introduced for civilian use. In Guyana, within two years, it had almost eliminated malaria, but at the same time the birth rate had doubled. So my chief quarrel with DDT, in hindsight, is that it has greatly added to the population problem."

Dr. Charles Wurster, former chief scientist for the Environmental Defense Fund, was once asked whether he thought a ban on DDT would result in the use of more dangerous chemicals and more malaria cases in Sri Lanka. He replied: "Probably. So what? People are the cause of all the problems. We have too many of them. We need to get rid of some of them, and (malaria) is as good a way as any."

According to "Earthbound," a collection of essays on environmental ethics, William Aiken said: "Massive human diebacks would be good. It is our duty to cause them. It is our species' duty, relative to the whole, to eliminate 90 percent of our numbers."

Former National Park Service research biologist David Graber opined, "Human happiness, and certainly human fecundity, are not as important as a wild and healthy planet. ... We have become a plague upon ourselves and upon the Earth. ... Until such time as Homo sapiens should decide to rejoin nature, some of us can only hope for the right virus to come along."

Speaking of viruses, Prince Philip -- Duke of Edinburgh and patron of the World Wildlife Fund -- said, "If I were reincarnated, I would wish to be returned to earth as a killer virus to lower human population levels." The late Jacques Cousteau told THE UNESCO Courier: "One America burdens the earth much more than twenty Bangladeshes. This is a terrible thing to say. In order to stabilize world population, we must eliminate 350,000 people per day. It is a horrible thing to say, but it's just as bad not to say it."

### GUEST COLUMN

## Will you be happy if you win the lottery?

By Don McNay

CNHI News Service

— "But 'happily ever after' fails  
And we've been poisoned by these fairy tales"  
— Bruce Hornsby and Don Henley

"Someday I hope you have a chance, to live like you are dying"

— Tim McGraw

A Psychology Today article titled "What Will You Do if You Win the \$550 Million Powerball Lottery?" caught my attention. Helping lottery winners with their money is my long-time gig.

The author, Galen Guengerich, Ph.D., is a minister who admits that he has "never been much of a lottery person." He makes a point that I hammer on in two best-sellers, "Life Lessons from the Lottery" and "Son of a Son of a Gambler: Winners Losers and What to Do When You Win the Lottery."

Money alone does not buy happiness. Although income is the highest predictor of increased life expectancy (higher income people can eat healthier, have time for exercise and have better access to health care), I have not seen any evidence that lottery winners live longer.

I've seen several cases like Abraham Shakespeare, who was murdered in Florida, and Amanda Clayton, a 25-year-old lottery winner from Michigan who died of a drug overdose, of lottery winners dying far too young.

Guengerich makes one conclusion similar to my own observations: Happiness comes from giving back to society and making a difference for other people.

However, I disagree with another of his points. He says that lottery winners should spend like there is no tomorrow.

Too many lottery winners already do that.

For a decade, I have used a statistic I found that shows 90 percent of lottery winners run through their money in five years or less.

Jeremy Babener, a top notch tax attorney in Portland, Ore., has done extensive research on the subject of income dissipation and has convinced me that the percentage is more like 70 percent.

Either way, it's still a lot of people. A lot of lottery winners may not live like they are dying tomorrow, but they spend like they are.

Guengerich quotes the famous psychiatrist Elizabeth Kubler-Ross who said, "It's only when we truly know and understand that we have a limited time on earth -- and we have no way of knowing when our time is up -- that we begin to live each day to the fullest,

That represents the values of some progressives, but what about their predictions? In 1972, a report was written for the Club of Rome to warn that the world would run out of gold by 1981, mercury and silver by 1985, tin by 1987, and petroleum, copper, lead and natural gas by 1992. It turns out that each of these resources is more plentiful today. Gordon

Taylor, in his 1970 book, "The Domsday Book," said that Americans were using 50 percent of the world's resources and that "by 2000 (Americans) will, if permitted, be using all of them." In 1975, the Environment Fund took out full-page ads warning, "The World as we know it will likely be ruined by the year 2000." Harvard University Nobel laureate biologist George Wald in 1970 warned, "Civilization will end within 15 or 30 years unless immediate action is taken against problems facing mankind." Former Sen. Gaylord Nelson, quoting Dr. S. Dillon Ripley, warned, in Look magazine (1970), that by 1995, "somewhere between 75 and 85 percent of all the species of living animals will be extinct." In 1974, the U.S. Geological Survey said the U.S. had only a 10-year supply of natural gas. The fact of the matter, according to the American Gas Association, is that there's more than a 110-year supply.

In 1986, Lester Brown, who had been predicting global starvation for 40 years, received a MacArthur Foundation "genius" award, along with a stipend. The foundation also gave Dr. Paul Ehrlich, who predicted millions of Americans would die of starvation, the "genius" award in 1990. Note that these \$300,000 to \$400,000 awards were granted well after enough time had passed to demonstrate that Brown and Ehrlich were insanely wrong.

Just think: Congress listens to people like these and formulates public policy on their dire predictions that we're running out of something.

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

as if it was the only one we had."

Although I'm a big fan of Kubler-Ross and understand, at some level, what Guengerich is trying to say, lottery winners are not a subset who should be encouraged to spend money quickly.

Every financial concept that I encourage, such as taking lottery winnings in annual payments instead of a lump sum, using lifetime annuities and investing in a way to "get rich slowly," asks people to spend like they are going to live to a ripe old age.

I want lottery winners to have the idealism of Kubler-Ross in all their actions, but not to the point where they aren't able to meet their own financial needs.

The last time we heard from lottery millionaire David Edwards, he was living in a storage shed, just a few years after hitting the jackpot. I am not sure if Edwards spent any of his money to help others, but wish he had spent more on helping himself.

Lottery winners may find the balance in an extremely hot new book called, "Happy Money: The Science of Smarter Spending." I plan to devote more ink on the authors, Elizabeth Dunn and Michael Norton, at a later date, but the two rising stars in the field of behavioral finance do a terrific job of answering the question, "Am I getting the biggest happiness bang for the buck?"

Lottery winners are not the only people who live by the Will Rogers adage of "spending money they don't have to impress people they don't know."

Winning the lottery has not always been the ticket to paradise. But if people use the money wisely, for a purpose, and with financial security being their number one priority, it might allow them to get closer to that elusive dream of happiness.

On the other hand, you don't need to win the lottery to be happy. As Dunn and Norton show us, you just need to spend your money wisely, no matter how much you have or how you got it. Will you be happy if you win the lottery?

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## South county briefs

### Suwannee County Tax Collector

The Suwannee County Tax Collector is in Branford twice a month at Town Hall 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.

### Branford 4th of July parade

The 4th of July parade in Branford will be at 6 p.m. with line up at 5 p.m. at the Branford football field parking area. For more information give Kathy Woolard a call at 386-365-0703.

### 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.

### Branford River Reunion

#### Booth space available

The Branford River Reunion Committee is getting ready for the 4th of July celebration this year in Branford. The celebration will be on Thursday, July 4. There is still room for more booths.

This year we are changing the time for the activities on the fourth at Hatch Park. The new start time will be at 3 p.m. This will give everyone time to get to the Hatch Park after the duck race at Ivey Park at 2 p.m. If you are interested in a booth give Peggy Terry a call at 386-935-0021 and if you need to, leave a message with your address and I will send you an application. If you are in Branford you can stop by Town Hall and pick one up. The deadline for booth applications is June 13.

### The Arc North Florida

Adults with Disabilities Program. Open to Branford and surrounding adults with intellectual or developmental disabilities.

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

### 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 Thursdays from 6-7 p.m. at the American Legion Post 107, 10726 142nd St., between Live Oak and McAlpin. Membership is open to boys ages 6-10. Join us for camping, archery, BB shooting, and many other fun activities. Parents encouraged to participate. 386-209-3480

### McAlpin Community Club Bingo

The McAlpin Community Club will meet on Monday, May 13, at 7 p.m. After a potluck supper and a brief business meeting we will be having lots of fun playing Bingo. The prizes are small, but the games are Free! Everyone is welcome to attend, so bring a dish and come join us. The Club is located at 9981 - 170th Terrace in McAlpin, directly across from the Post Office. New members are always welcome and membership fees are \$10 per family per year. For info call Barbara Parks at 362-3044 or Debbie Phillips at 364-7028.

## McAlpin postmaster retires after 37 years in the postal service



Former McAlpin Post Office Postmaster Linda Webb putting the mail out.

By Andrew McGee

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The community of McAlpin is going to miss a long-time friendly face. Linda Webb, former postmaster at McAlpin Post Office, retired after 37 years of service. Her official last day was June 3.

Webb and her late husband Lloyd moved from the hustle and bustle of the Tampa area in Hillsborough County in 1972.

"We didn't go back unless we had to," smiled Webb. "We have one son down there and that's the only reason we would go."

She added as soon as her son retires, he'll also be moving from there.

Getting into the postal service happened by chance. Webb and her husband had been for many years, foster parents. Lloyd was a WWII veteran and retired with a disability. Linda was taking care of a bunch of children (between six and eight at a time) and while Lloyd was supervising and working on building a house, she was at home taking care of all the kids.

"I love children and I love being a foster parent, but sometimes you just need to be in the adult world for just a few minutes," said Webb.

She and Lloyd discussed her getting a job. He told her she needed to have at least a part-time job as she had never drawn Social Security or worked under civil service. She was going to need to retire and have that income because one day, he might not be there.

They put their heads together to figure out what job would suit her. One day soon after, Lloyd visited a friend of his in Branford and on his way back, stopped at the McAlpin Post Office.

"There was a sign they were looking for a part-time clerk," said Webb. "And he thought, 'Ah, she might be interested in that', so he brought a copy of the notice home."

Linda took several days to mull it over because at first, it didn't sound like anything she wanted to do. Also, she was concerned about who would watch their foster children.

"Well, of course Lloyd assured me that he would pick up the slack," said Webb. "Even if I didn't make a lot, I could start working on me for some kind of retirement."

She said Lloyd's condition didn't affect his ability to watch and take care of the kids. He got frostbite after being held in a German POW camp for 18 months.

"He had a lot of problems, but they weren't so debilitating that he couldn't do some things," said Webb.

She added that they were older kids, not infants in diapers.

Webb was hired to work as a clerk on Saturday mornings and in the absence of the postmaster.

The post office has had some additions made to it and it's still small.

"We were just in that tiny little room back

there," Linda said pointing to the back. "You have to see it to believe it. You can barely turn around."

She pointed to a table that the mail carrier would use to sort the mail and then to a counter.

"That was it," said Webb. "One chair. We didn't have any equipment or computers or machines or anything."

They kept their money in a little box and their stamps in a drawer, and they had a small scale to weigh the mail.

"That was about it," said Webb.

As far as the job, there was nothing scary or intimidating to Webb. She had to learn some different things and follow rules and regulations, but she loved to read, so that wasn't a problem. She said they had plenty of time to get things done and people frequently came in to check their mailboxes, mail a letter and of course chat with Webb.

"They told you a lot more information

than you wanted to know, you know that kind of stuff," smiled Webb.

The post office had become the social hub of the small community and according to Webb, it still is.

"I did that for 13 years," said Webb. "Normally, when they replace a postmaster, they don't do it with the clerk."

Webb bid on the job anyway, but was pretty sure that she wouldn't get it.

"I don't know if it's because they didn't find anyone else who wanted it or what, but they gave it to me," said Webb.

She explained that the timing was perfect as her youngest foster child was three when she took the clerical position and then when she accepted the position of postmaster, her child was then a teenager.

"It was no problem to get out and work", said Webb. "She (youngest child) did things around the house and took care

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Linda Webb shows the back room where the mail carrier takes mail before delivery



Linda Webb's view of the mail boxes.- Photos: Andrew McGee

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of herself. Teenagers don't really need much taking care of."

She added that her husband Lloyd was very supportive in that respect and would do all that he could do. He was very understanding if she had to go on trips for learning sessions.

"Now, we have webinars," said Webb. "It's cost-efficient for the post office and for us as far as the traveling and the meals. Now, we can do them on our lunch hour."

Did Webb ever get lonely working by herself?

"I have never been isolated," said Webb. "This is like a counseling center and a place to meet your neighbors, to go to find out about something, all kinds of things."

Over the years, Webb was bought small plants, cookies and other items from the folks of McAlpin. She also kept a jar of Tootsie Rolls for her customers to dig in and often people would stop by just for a sweet treat.

"Sometimes they would come in and say, 'Oh, I don't need anything today. I

just came in to get my Tootsie Roll fix'", laughed Webb. "And these are not children. These are adults."

Webb said McAlpin is a very warm and friendly community. She said they would often call her just to check to make sure she was okay. She said especially if they hadn't seen her in a few days, they'd either call or drop in.

"They're very, very sweet people," said Webb.

What will happen with the post office after retirement?

"What is happening is they are going to have somebody come up and start as a casual person," said Webb.

She explained that "casual person" is a term for a postmaster relief person.

"It won't be so much difference in duties, although in this case there will be because this person will be financially responsible to the O'Brien Post Office," said Webb. "He will be the manager and this will be a remotely managed post office."

The person who gets the job will be a postmaster replacement relief and will

draw an hourly salary without benefits. According to Webb, in the beginning, it will be a 40 hour position, but since the postal service is currently going through their re-arranging and downsizing, it could change. Webb said there's a possibility that sometime in the future they may change the hours, but they can't do it yet because they first have to have a community town meeting and go through a lot of paper work, take a survey and get congressional permission.

"It's not going to happen right now," said Webb. "Right now, it'll be open as it is now, have all the boxes and sell all the things we normally sell and do all the services we normally do. There's just no rural delivery from this office anymore."

So, what's next after retirement?  
 "When people ask me what I'm going to do when I retire, I tell them I'm going to clean my house," smiled Webb. "I've been working six days a week for about two years. When you work that much, you don't get much housework done."

She said she's going to start upstairs in a corner and work her way down.

"I'm going to do some old fashioned 'grannyfied' house cleaning, taking everything down, cleaning it and putting it back," said Webb. "No one's going to want to come and visit for awhile because I'll put them to work," she laughed.

After she's satisfied with her house, she plans to go up to South Carolina where her older sister lives and visit her. She has other siblings who also live in another part of South Carolina she's planning on seeing as well.

Webb said she also wants to do some volunteer work and continue teaching the three-year-olds at her church.

"Children are my passion," said Webb. "There are several things I'm looking at in Live Oak to maybe help out here and there for some children's causes. So, I want to do some of that and just have fun," said Webb.

Thirty seven years is quite a journey, but it's all in the way you look at it.

"That's a long time," said Webb. "But, considering the post office has been here for 130 years, it's not such a long time," she smiled.

## Branford native JoLynne Fross receives master's degree in Christian counseling



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NEW ORLEANS, LA -- JoLynne Christine Fross of Branford received a Master of Arts degree in marriage and family counseling on May 18 from the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. One of the world's largest accredited seminaries, New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary offers associate, baccalaureate, master's and doctoral degrees in biblical studies, theology, pastoral ministry, church history, Christian education, counseling and music. The seminary is owned and supported by the Southern Baptist Convention.

Fross is the daughter of Ruth and Jim Fross. Fross's home church is First Baptist Church of New Orleans. She holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Christian counseling from The Baptist College of Florida in Graceville, Fla.

## Register by June 7 BHS JV cheerleaders Independence Day Pageant

The JV cheerleaders at Branford High School are hosting their annual Independence Day Pageant.

Register by June 7, the fee is \$25 which covers entry fee for the contestant, one photo for photogenic category and admission for the contestant and one adult to the pageant.

The pageant is Saturday, June 22, at BHS auditorium. Check in 4:30-5 p.m., pageant starts at 6 p.m.

No props allowed.

**Patriotic casual wear is encouraged -**

Any outfit with red, white, and blue or patriotic theme - be creative.

**Photogenic category:**

Photographs to be entered in the photogenic categories are due with the application. Each contestant may enter one photograph included in the entry fee, either color or black and white. Additional photographs are \$5 each, please do not send framed photographs or photographs larger than 8x10.

**Age division:**

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- 12-23 months - Tiny Miss Sparkler
- 2-3 years - Little Miss Firecracker
- 4 years - Little Miss Sparkler
- 5-6 Years Little Miss 4th of July

- 7-9 years - Little Miss Freedom
  - 10-12 years - Junior Miss Liberty
  - 13-15 years - Teen Miss Independence
  - 16-18 years - Miss Independence
- Categories are subject to change depending on number of contestants.

All contestants will receive a trophy.

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## Local Events

### Summer Reading Camp

Tabernacle of Faith Community Church of Live Oak, FL presents Summer Reading Camp! Help your child get a jump start in school and build reading & comprehension skills this summer. Breakfast, lunch, & school supplies included; parents can provide snacks. Camp will be held Monday - Thursday, June 10 - August 8 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the John Hale Recreation Center, 215 NE Duval St, Live Oak. Pre-registration will be held at the park on June 5 - 6 from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. For more information or to register, call Cynthia Robinson at 386-688-1394.

### Vacation Bible School

The First Baptist Church of Dowling Park invites you to send your children between the ages of 3 through 12 to our Vacation Bible School starting Sunday evening June 9 through Wednesday the 12. Starting time each day is 6:30 p.m. and concluding at 8:30 p.m.. This year's dynamic program is called "Kingdom Rock" with the theme of "Where Kids Stand Strong For God". The church address is 11274 235th Ln. near the intersection of CR 250 and CR 136 in Dowling Park. Call 386-658-2360 for additional details.

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# Local author Sandra Cuppett writes riveting tale of survival

Submitted

In March of 1993, near the small Florida town of Wellborn, members of three closely related families headed to Dekle Beach in Taylor County for a fun filled weekend. The Murray, Sapp and Gaylord families had been planning this mini vacation for weeks and the forecast of nasty weather wasn't about to get in the way of their trip. They could entertain themselves inside and enjoy the beach simply by looking at it out of the windows of the warm, safe house perched high above the water.

Before the days of Doppler radar, weather forecasting was far less capable than what we now have. Meteorologists were warning of a serious winter storm with drastically falling temperatures, possibly gale force winds and heavy rains followed by a strong chance of snow flurries. Watching it snow at the beach would certainly be a new experience for these Florida natives. They would not be deterred.

Bobbie Murray, her second son Jerry, her third son Jason, her youngest son Timmy, her only daughter, Melinda, and Melinda's husband Levy Sapp and both their children, Trey and Anissa, made up the Murray/Sapp part of the family. Walter Gaylord, his wife Pat (Bobbie Murray's sister), their sons, Jamie and Jarod, along with Jamie's fiancé, Shanda Chauncey, made up the rest. There were a total of thirteen people looking forward to two days of fun and laughter at a house on stilts sitting on the verge of the Gulf of Mexico.

When they arrived, they could see heavy clouds and lightning flashing many miles to the north and very distantly across the gently rolling waves of the Gulf.

By daylight, Bobbie,

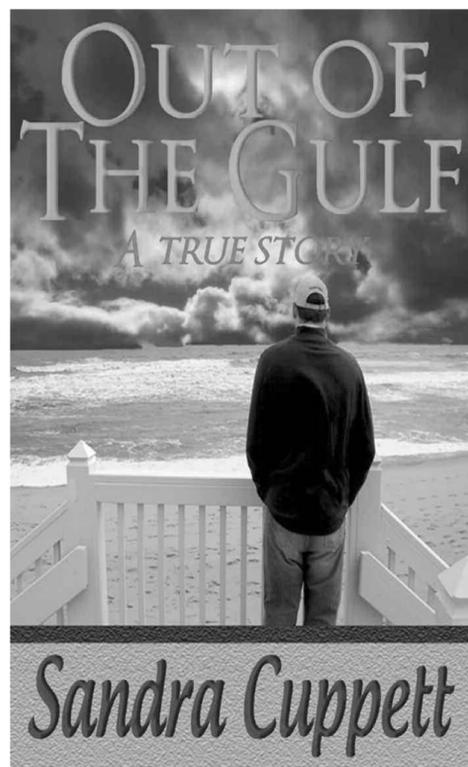
Levy, Timmy, Trey, Anissa, and Shanda would have perished in the worst storm to hit the area in memory and the survivors would endure unimaginable suffering and horror.

The survivors would never again be the same people who arrived at Dekle Beach that evening. They would face terror, horrific struggles in vicious churning waves, temperatures near freezing, and winds of near hurricane force while desperately clinging to trees, fighting for their very lives.

Out of the Gulf by Sandra Cuppett is the true story of that family, that night, and a few days of the aftermath. Gulf is Cuppett's third book, and she was compelled to write about the incident due to her relation to the families involved and the personal

losses she suffered. Cuppett stated that she is grateful to Amazon's Kindle Direct Publishing for offering her and countless other writers the opportunity to publish their works.

Cuppett retired from the Suwannee County School system in May of 2007 and currently resides in Wellborn with her husband of 42 years and their Australian cattle dog puppy, Lily. Sandra and her husband have two daughters and six grandchildren. Her first book, entitled Another Chance, is a fictional suspense/romance published last October. Her second work, a fictional romance entitled Sweet Talking Cowboy, has been a huge success on Amazon's e-book market. Out of the Gulf is currently available online at Amazon.com as an e-book along with her other works.



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# Local man dabbles in forgotten trade

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a lot of his spare time doing now is working with his hands, mainly blacksmithing and metal work.

"I do a lot of mechanical work here too," said Chance. "As a hobby, I work on my jeep and every now and then a friend will say, 'Hey, can you help me out? My rotor needs changing' or something else."

Working on cars is for fun, not profit.

"Blacksmithing, I've only been doing for five or six years," said Chance. "Welding, I've been doing for close to 40 years off and on between other careers I've gotten involved

in."

In the 70s, right out of high school, Chance joined the Navy where he learned to weld.

The military sent him to Millington, Tenn. to technical school where he became an aviation machinist mate. After tech school, they sent him to Puerto Rico to work on aviation support equipment.

"We did tow tractors and a lot of times it required welding," said Chance. "Sometimes if it was broken, we'd have to fabricate a piece."

Chance said they did anything to keep the equipment running from electric to hydraulic to welding.

"It stuck with me as a hobby because I didn't stay in the Navy," said Chance. "It kind of turned into all kinds of metal working, that kind of thing."

While in Puerto Rico, Irvmet Anda. She too was in the Navy and stationed there. She was an electrician's mate.

"We met there and got married," said Chance. "In fact, our marriage license is in Spanish."

Chance said they got married on the base, but still had to have a Puerto Rican license. They've been married for 36 years.

"After I got out of the Navy, I used the GI Bill to go to welding school," said

Chance.

He got certified for flat, horizontal, and up to one inch thick or high pressure welding. Chance said he did that for awhile then wound up in New Hampshire.

"In New Hampshire, it was so cold and miserable, I went back in the service," laughed Chance.

This time instead of the Navy, he enlisted in the Air Force.

"I kind of went away from the welding and fabrication stuff and engineering and I spent four years in the Air Force," said Chance. "I went through civil engineering technical school."

The weather was a far cry from the typical New England winter he had endured. Chance found himself in Wichita Falls, Texas learning, testing, earthwork and construction management.

After he retired from the Air Force, Chance worked to get his associate degree in engineering. This time he and Anda moved to Kissimmee.

Chance was employed with Osceola County for 30 years and while there,

worked his way up to civil engineering construction.

"We managed the contracts for bridges, roads all kinds of things. I even did a softball complex one time, just some odd stuff I got involved in," laughed Chance. "Then, I retired in 2008. We'd been building this house here for a couple of years before I retired."

He said they moved up to Suwannee County permanently to finish building the house.

"My wife and I built the house from ground up," said Chance.

What's a typical day in the life of a twice retired military welder, blacksmith and automobile repairer who doesn't like to sit idle?

"Well, I've been working on several projects," said Chance. "It's mostly a hobby."

Chance said he's a member of the Florida Trails Association and one of his current projects is building a walk behind wheel barrow made from an old rotor tiller. He's using old parts from other things to build it.

Chance takes metal, puts it into hot coals and uses an anvil to shape the metal

into whatever fashion hits him.

"I like to recycle things. You can buy these (wheel barrows) for like \$800 or \$900, but we're trying to save money," laughed Chance. "It's all volunteer."

Chance said he would love to have a full machine shop, but he can't justify the cost since it would be for a hobby, not a full-time profession.

He makes things for his wife which keeps him pretty busy too.

"My wife's got me working on a decorative gate door and a handrail for the house," said Chance.

Sometimes he is approached by folks having a certain metallic item in mind they hope he can fabricate.

"One woman wants me to make her a pan rack," said Chance. "You know, for your pots and pans over your kitchen counter. A friend of mine was making some garden carts and needed some wheels," said Chance. "In exchange for making them for him, he made my wife a garden cart."

Chance said he rarely charges anyone for the work or item he makes. They usually end up being gifts. Occasionally, he may charge a minimal amount to someone mainly to cover the cost for materials.

"I would love to get more people interested in this kind of thing," said Chance.

## Andrea to visit later this week?

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subtropical depression or storm could form this week," according to the National Weather Service. "Furthermore, forecast guidance suggests winds aloft may steer this entity toward the eastern U.S. Gulf Coast (Florida) late in the week."

If so, Suwannee County could be right in the target of another soaker, one year after Tropical Storm Debby flooded our area.

As of Tuesday, however, there was only a 40 percent chance of tropical cyclone formation within the next 48 hours as it drifts northward or northwestward.

Meteorologists say, for now, the festering area is disorganized, but there is still the potential for heavy rainfall, high winds, thunderstorms and possibly a tornado or two. Conditions could become a little more favorable for slow development during the next day or two, before the low pressure interacts with an upper-level trough.

As of Tuesday, the system was centered near south Florida moving into the Gulf of Mexico.

## Sexual predator charged for failing to register

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Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles and obtaining a valid driver license or identification card displaying the following designation: 775.21 F.S., nor has he had his address changed on his driver license or identification card as required by Florida Statutes.

Beasley was arrested and transported to the Suwannee County Jail and faces a charge of failure to comply with sexual predator registration.

## Shelter animals need good homes

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Shelter.

The shelter is run by the Live Oak Police Department and is staffed by one person, animal control officer Wayne Hunter. He rounds up to 250 animals every month, the majority of which are dogs and cats that are taken into the shelter located off Lime Avenue, near the city's wastewater treatment plant.

Various local rescue groups come in weekly to photograph the dogs and cats to show them off online. Those animals that receive the most responses are then chosen to be put up for adoption and taken to the rescue's shelter where they are given shots and vaccinations. This is sadly not the reality for most of the animals.

There are countless in-

nocent strays as well as those animals that can't be saved, such as those that have bitten people or have too many health problems. Nearly 80 percent of the dogs and cats that are taken in have to be euthanized.

"It's not an easy job, and you never get used to it. But overpopulation is a real problem, and you can't keep every animal," Hunter said.

Hunter is the sole officer and caretaker for the pound animals, and he's worked with Live Oak animal control for nearly six years.

"The adoption rate is very low. Ninety percent of the animals we get are just unwanted," Hunter said.

According to Live Oak's Finance Director, Jan Parkhurst, the year to date expenditures for the animal control program as of May 29 were \$43,906.

Hunter said a lot of the money goes towards utilities and maintenance for the small, shaded outdoor facility. One huge cost that animal control saves on is food. Hunter receives free ripped or broken dog and cat food bags from a pet food distribution warehouse in Jacksonville.

The shelter can't accept any volunteers or donations due to animal control being a city service, but adoptions are encouraged and are only \$15. Many of the dogs and cats that arrive at the pound are simply the victims of pet overpopulation and are in need of a good home. You can contact animal control through the LOPD at 386-362-7463 if you are interested in adoption or need animal control services.

## A reality check for storm chasers

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lation, the entire storm oscillated up and down, jogging north, then drifting south along the I-40 corridor west of Oklahoma City. Any storm chasing crew could have easily found themselves out of a safe position in a matter of seconds.

3) This supercell was so large and the circulation so broad that several satellite tornadoes with multiple vortices developed around the parent vortex. The result would have been a mirror of the No. 2 factor; a crew member is out of a position of safety before it had time to react.

We can reason all we want as to why things played out the way they did, but in reality it doesn't matter. Our hearts cry for

the families of these three brave men and all those who lost loved ones in the tornadoes of the past few weeks.

Storm chasing is not a sport. Yet with the age of social media and YouTube, untrained individuals are packing up their cameras and venturing into dangerous territory in search of that money shot. They aren't there to help people and all they are really doing is putting more lives at risk.

The meteorological community and society as a whole lost one of the great ones on May 31. Tim Samaras did more for tornado research in 25 years than 10 men could do in a lifetime combined. Heaven knows how many lives he

saved with his research and ironically he gave his in the pursuit of that mission.

Let the El Reno tornado be a lesson for meteorologists and common folk alike. Leave the chasing to the experts, and for those experts let the last few words of Tim's final message on Twitter at 5:50 p.m. that fateful day enter your mind on every chase to come: "Stay storm savvy."

God speed, Tim, Paul and Carl.

*T. G. Shuck was the award-winning chief meteorologist for WKYT-TV in Lexington, Ky., for many years. He now serves as the "Weather Wizard" for KyForward.com, a digital news site. He wrote this piece for KyForward.*

## Celebrate summer at Family Fun Day

Submitted

Christian Mission in Action Ministries and their partners will be hosting Family Fun Day on Saturday, July 13. This day of fun and fellowship will run from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the John Hale Park and Recreation Center in Live Oak.

There will be plenty of free food, like popcorn, snow cones, hamburgers, and hot dogs. Activities will include sports, games, music, face painting, and a bounce house. The community is invited to bring lawn chairs, blankets, and, of course, children. Only non-alcoholic beverages will be allowed at the site.

For more information, please call (386) 364-1367 or (386) 364-4560.

## Vivid Visions Helping Victims of Domestic Violence Spring Yard Sale

Saturday, June 15, 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

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## Sheriff: Grandson steals checks from grandmother

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for the "pay to" section of the check.

Jackson then told the deputy his grandmother has dementia and her handwriting changes. The deputy did not see any resemblance in the signatures on the checks and the statements. The "money amount" portion on the checks appeared to be different handwriting also, according to the report.

Jackson was arrested and transported to the Suwannee County Jail and faces charges of three counts of forgery, three counts of uttering a forged instrument and grand theft.

## 4 nabbed for cocaine trafficking

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for open warrants and discovered Avila had an open warrant from Dade County for possession of cannabis. Fipps then searched the vehicle from the plain smell of cannabis. During the search, Fipps found 52 grams of cocaine in a cloth bag in the back seat. He also discovered 186 grams of cannabis in the trunk of the car in a large plastic bag. Some of both items were packaged in smaller bags, indicative of selling narcotics.

According to Fipps, no one claimed ownership of the narcotics.

Mendez was charged with possession of marijuana with intent to sell greater than 20 grams, possession of marijuana greater than 20 grams, trafficking cocaine and possession of drug paraphernalia.

## I-10 crash halts morning traffic

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Valdez, 28, Grand Rapids, Michigan, was driving a 2006 Chevrolet Equinox towing the trailer heading westbound on I-10 in the inside lane.

At approximately 8:45 a.m., Valdez traveled off the paved roadway and into the center median. Valdez then attempted to steer back onto the roadway and lost control of the vehicle. Valdez traveled into the outside lane, striking the left rear trailer tire of a 1998 Peterbilt tractor trailer driven by William Edmond Meecham, 37,

Sandy, Utah. Valdez's vehicle and the trailer rotated in a clockwise motion and came to a final rest in the middle of westbound I-10.

Valdez's passengers, Jasmine Valdez Ugalde, 10, Amyah Ugalde, 7, and Antero Ugalde, 9, were unrestrained at the time of the crash, however, they were not injured. The children were transported to Shands Live Oak Regional Medical Center as a precaution. Valdez, who was restrained, sustained minor injuries.

Valdez was charged with careless driving and no safety belt (child).

## FHP seeks driver in other vehicle

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torcycle he was driving. Shiver was driving westbound on US 90 near 81st Road at a high rate of speed around 5:48 p.m. when the motorcycle skid and struck the rear of an unknown car, according to FHP. The unknown car left the crash scene, according to FHP.

The unknown car is described by witnesses as a small, four-door passenger car which was grey or green in color. The car may have damage to its rear with purple paint transfer from the motorcycle. If anyone has information that can assist in identifying the driver, you are asked to contact FHP at 1-800-395-8248.

# School board presentations



Terry Baker (left), president of PotashCorp of White Springs, was on hand at the Suwannee County School Board meeting Tuesday night, May 28, to present a check for \$30,000 to the Suwannee County School District. School Board member Jerry Taylor (center) and Superintendent of Schools Jerry Scarborough accepted the check.



Superintendent of Schools Jerry Scarborough (right) presented the Suwannee High School Brain Bowl team with a certificate of appreciation for another successful year at the state championship.

## Five Wishes Workshop

Submitted

The Five Wishes Workshop will be offered to the public on June 10 at the White Springs Library at 16403 Jewett Street in White Springs beginning at 1:30 p.m. The Library's phone number is 386-397-1389.

Larry Geiger, Public Relations Manager for the Hospice of the Nature Coast

will facilitate the workshop at no cost. Five Wishes is an easy to complete Legal Living Will document that spells out the medical, personal, emotional and spiritual needs. For additional information, contact Larry Geiger at 755-7714 or 866-642-0962. Hospice of the Nature Coast licensed 1985, serving north central Florida. Visit [www.hospiceofcitrus.org](http://www.hospiceofcitrus.org).

## Suwannee County Republican Party

The June meeting of the Suwannee County Republican Party will have Andrew Decker as guest speaker. Mr. Decker will be discussing the historical basis for the second amendment, how the framers viewed it, and

why they believed it so important. Discussing the second amendment in the modern context, the current law on the second amendment, and why it's more important now than ever before. This is an opportunity to understand

the value of the 2nd Amendment and why it has to be protected. DON'T miss this. Thursday, June 6, Live Oak City Hall, 7 pm. Everyone welcome! For more info: [www.suwannee-gop.com](http://www.suwannee-gop.com)

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# SPORTS

## Wagner's Gold Dunn softball team triumphs at championship qualifier



Back row standing: Head coach Sean Dunn, Aleshia Ocasio (Harmony HS/Florida Gulf Coast), Delaney Rickey (Jacksonville Episcopal HS/FAU), Mary Warren (Ocoee HS/UAB), Assistant Coach Anthony Ocasio, Elizabeth Birle (Winter Springs HS/Virginia Tech), Victoria Daddis (Creekside HS/FSU), Savannah Jerkins (Alachua Santa Fe HS/State College of Florida), Paige Kovalsky (Olympia HS/George Washington), Assistant Coach Feron Tidwell. Kneeling front row: Ashia Kerr (Lake Howell HS/UNF), **Jessie TenBroeck (Suwannee HS/Stetson)**, Cacey Simmons (Strawberry Crest HS/ State College of FL), Janae Perera (Sickles HS), Kori Dunn (Lake Howell HS/Florida Gulf Coast) Not pictured: Kelli Tidwell (Durant HS)

By Jim TenBroeck

The Wagner's Gold Dunn, formerly Gainesville Gold Dunn, won the first of two Florida ASA 18U Gold National Championship Qualifier softball events of the summer this past weekend in Clearwater, in dominating fashion outscoring their opponents 53-19 over seven games. ASA 18U Gold is the highest level that you can go in ASA softball prior to the college level.

Wagner's Gold Dunn was the Gainesville Gold Dunn until July 22, 2012, when head coach Sean Dunn announced the team was changing organization allegiance to the Wagner's Gold citing difference of opinions with Gainesville Gold Softball Board. The name change had no effect on the team performance though.

The Wagner's opened the ASA Gold Qualifier with a solid 9-4 win over the Tropic Wave Gold. In the second game, the Wagner's won over Florida Select Fischer 7-2.

The third game on Sunday morning brought the much anticipated matchup against Team North Florida, 2011 Gold National Champions led by local P.K. Yonge, All-Area pitcher, Kalen McGill. A heavyweight battle ensued for four innings, ace pitching, big hits and solid defensive plays. A homerun by Paige Kolvalsky (Olympia HS) in the fifth inning put the first run on the board for the Wagner's. The sixth inning saw back to back homeruns to break the game open, a two run homerun by Aleshia Ocasio (Har-

mony HS) followed by a solo HR by Victoria Daddis (Creekside HS). Savannah Jerkins (Santa Fe HS) hit a sac fly adding a run by scoring Mary Warren (Ocoee HS) to give the Wagner's Gold a 5-2 victory over Team North Florida.

The Wagner's had to play immediately after the Team North Florida win against the only other team left in the 16 team winner's bracket, the Sarasota Heat. Still hyped over the TNF win, before they could catch their breath, the Wagner's were down 4-0 in first inning to the Heat. Though the Wagner's gave a gallant effort to come back with two almost homeruns blown back into the park by a strong front win, the Wagner's suffered their first defeat of the weekend 5-3 in a double elimination tournament.

The next game they played against the Miami Stingrays Gold, the last team in the loser's bracket and the Wags came away with an impressive 10-2 win. That put the Wagner's into the championship round against the Sarasota Heat again but having to beat them twice to win the Gold National Berth.

The Wagner's didn't slow down in game one of the championship round taking the wind out of the Heat's sails, beating them by run rule 13-2. Game two, the championship game, was a little closer. It was a pitching/defensive duel for 4 innings before Jessie TenBroeck (Suwannee HS) hit an rbi double off the top of a 225 foot fence in the fifth inning then came around to score on a passed ball to give the Wags a 3-1 lead which they never relinquished, going on to a 7-1 ASA 18U Gold National

Qualifier Championship victory.

The Wagner's entire team contributed to this victory; however, Harmony High School's coming senior Aleshia Ocasio, Gatorade Player of Year Nominee, put together a terrific, gut check effort on the mound, pitching in all five wins on a hot Sunday only to collapse to the ground in exhaustion after the final pitch. This writer has seen a lot of great softball players over the years but I will tell you now that Aleshia Ocasio, Florida Gulf Coast University verbal recruit, is some special player. Not only can she pitch 67 mph, she can lay down a bunt and run with Natasha Watley speed or hit a liner 225 feet out of the park. On top of being a pitching force

and an offensive force, she is one of the best shortstops this writer has ever seen. Props go out to Aleshia Ocasio of Harmony High School, Harmony, Fla., on a great individual effort.

The win for the Wagner's Gold Dunn was a total team effort. From great hitting one through nine in the lineup to great pitching, great defense, timely pinch hitting and pinch running. Head Coach Sean Dunn has a lot to be proud of about the way his team performed. The Wagner's Gold Dunn is now qualified to play for the ASA 18U Gold National Championship which is being held July 21 through July 28 at Eddie C. Moore Softball Complex in Clearwater.

## Local boy becomes champion at regional wrestling event



"Terrence Clayton takes first place."

## SHS baseball star

## Braxton Hicks signs with Thomas U.



Angel and Greg Hicks look on as their son, Braxton, signs with Thomas U.

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## SPORTS

## SHS baseball star Braxton Hicks signs with Thomas U.

By Angel Hicks

Every little boy dreams of playing at the next level. Suwannee High School baseball player Braxton Hicks took the first step in fulfilling that dream by signing an athletic scholarship last Friday to play college baseball at Thomas University in Thomasville, Ga.

The TU Night Hawks are a four year university affiliated with the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA). They play in the Sun Conference which has proven to be one of the top conferences in the NAIA with its teams consistently being recognized among the nation's best.

"When I toured the campus of Thomas, I immediately knew this was the place for me. The new weight room, training facility and the upgrades being done to the baseball complex is unreal. I feel that Thomas will give me

the best opportunity to excel academically and athletically," Hicks said. "This is a dream come true! I want to thank my family and friends for believing in me and supporting me."

He also considered South Georgia College.

Hicks, a catcher, finished his senior year with a .364 batting average and led the team in both on base percentage (.576) and hit by pitch (9). He had 13 walks and struck out only nine times during the season. During his high school career, he was a member of the 2010, 2012 and 2013 District Championship Teams.

Before Braxton officially signed, SHS Athletic Director Hunter Abercrombie addressed those in attendance at the signing. After thanking everyone for attending and commenting that signing ceremonies are becoming more and more common for Suwannee student-athletes, he stated that

"Braxton is a hard worker who is very respectful. He is following a short list of Suwannee players to attend Thomas and we are very proud for him."

Other Suwannee baseball alumni to play at Thomas University are Kevin Greene (Suwannee County Farm Bureau Insurance agent) and Ryan Stovall (drafted by the Kansas City Royals in 2009).

SHS head baseball coach Terry Mixon stated that "Braxton comes to practice every day with the attitude of making himself a better baseball player. He is a very good teammate that comes to compete each day and works to make everyone else around him become better."

Randy Adams, TU assistant coach says, "Braxton exemplifies all the qualities we look for in a Thomas University student-athlete. He is a quality young man that works hard on the ball field as

well as the classroom. Braxton is only going to get physically stronger and we are excited to have him in the program."

Braxton will be joining his older brother (Justin Hicks) at TU in the fall as well. Justin, a pitcher the last two years at Abraham

Baldwin Agricultural College in Tifton, Georgia, signed with TU in February to complete his junior and senior years of college.



Braxton's mentors and coaches present at his signing. Front row: Terry Mixon, SHS head baseball coach; Braxton Hicks; and Greg Hicks, Braxton's father. Back row: Randy Adams, assistant baseball coach at Thomas University; Glen Green, SHS assistant baseball coach; Chad Bonds, SHS assistant baseball coach; and Hunter Abercrombie, SHS athletic director.

## SHS wrestlers count down to Disney Duals

The Suwannee High School wrestling team will be heading down to Orlando later this month to compete in their third annual Disney Dual. Formally known as the Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) Wrestling Scholastic Duals, the event will take place in Orlando in ESPN's Wide World of Sports Complex at Disney World on June 29.

They have competed in three dual meet

tournaments this summer, scoring 3-1, 4-0, 4-0-1. This places them at 11-1-1 for the summer season. Their only loss came from the state runner-ups, Clay High School. Their only tie, 28-28, came from returning regional champions, Fleming Island.

Coach David Laxton stated that the team's goal this year is to make the top 10 at the Disney Duals.

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## Free Nursing Home Planning Workshop

Anyone who is concerned about how they will pay for nursing home care should attend this informative workshop led by local elder law attorney Teresa Byrd Morgan. The program will be held Thursday, June 20, 2013,

at 10:00 a.m., at Morgan Law Center for Estate & Legacy Planning (234 East Duval Street, Lake City). Seating is limited and reservations are required. To reserve a seat, please call Tammy Hale at 386-755-1977."

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## SPORTS

## Local boy becomes champion at regional wrestling event



Terrence Clayton takes first place and the championship in his weight class.

**By Amber Vann, intern**  
amber.vann@gallnews.com

A local boy recently became a regional wrestling champion in his weight class in Atlanta.

Terrence Clayton, 12, competed alongside his brother, Tajh Clayton, 10, at the Southeast Regional Freestyle Greco-Roman and Folkstyle Championship. Terrence wrestled his way through competitors from all over the southeast to take the title of 2013 Southeast Novice Folkstyle Champion for his weight class.

Both boys placed first in their weight class and age division at the Ironman state championship on Mother's Day weekend. Tajh did not place at regionals, but the boys' mother, Anne Edwards, said that it was still a huge accomplishment for him to make it as far as he did.

Suwannee High School wrestling coach David Laxton stated that Terrence and Tajh have been working out at the Suwannee Takedown Club with SHS wrestlers since March.

"The boys work extremely hard. They are proud to be part of the program just as we are proud of them," Laxton said.



Some of the family.



Terrence Clayton with his award. Courtesy photos.

# Calendar of Events

## Summer Reading Camp

Tabernacle of Faith Community Church of Live Oak, FL presents Summer Reading Camp! Help your child get a jump start in school and build reading & comprehension skills this summer. Breakfast, lunch, & school supplies included; parents can provide snacks. Camp will be held Monday - Thursday, June 10 - August 8 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the John Hale Recreation Center, 215 NE Duval St, Live Oak. Pre-registration will be held at the park on June 5 - 6 from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. For more information or to register, call Cynthia Robinson at 386-688-1394.

## Sewing Day Camp

We are looking for donations for our Sewing Day Camp, could you please run the attached ad as much as possible through June 21.

If you have any questions or need any additional information, please feel free to contact me.

## Vacation Bible School

The First Baptist Church of Dowling Park invites you to send your children between the ages of 3 through 12 to our Vacation Bible School starting Sunday evening June 9 through Wednesday the 12. Starting time each day is 6:30 p.m. and concluding at 8:30 p.m.. This year's dynamic program is called "Kingdom Rock" with the theme of "Where Kids Stand Strong For God". The church address is 11274 235th Ln. near the intersection of CR 250 and CR 136 in Dowling Park. Call 386-658-2360 for additional details.

## Suwannee County Republican Party

The June meeting of the Suwannee County Republican Party will have Andrew Decker as guest speaker. Mr. Decker will be discussing the historical basis for the second amendment, how the framers viewed it, and why they believed it so important. Discussing the second amendment in the modern context, the current law on the second amendment, and why its more important now than ever before. This is an opportunity to understand the value of the 2nd Amendment and why it has to be protected. DON'T miss this. Thursday, June 6, Live Oak City Hall, 7 pm. Everyone welcome! For more info: www.suwanneegop.com

## Love Ministry to hold spiritual revival

Revival is here! Are you sick or hurting? Do you want deliverance and breakthrough? Are you ready for the next dimension in God? Do you need a personal sure word from God? Well, God has a word for you!

From Thursday, June 20, through Saturday, June 22, every night at 7:30 p.m. the Love Ministry of Live Oak located on the corner of Duval St. and Walker Ave. will be holding a spiritual revival. The event will be overseen by Marlene Boyd Spencer of Higher Dimension Praise and Deliverance Ministries, Inc. in Fort Lauderdale. Spencer will act as the 'anointed messenger of God' for the revival.

For more information, please contact Prophetess Dr. Linda Simpson, Senior Pastor of Healing, Deliverance, Perfecting the Saints International Ministries, Inc. at (386) 364-1607 or (386) 344-4192.

## Tent revival June 8-14, 2013

6:30 p.m. nightly  
Hosted by:  
Little Galilee Church, Mayo, Fla. with Pastor Sellers  
Tent will be on church grounds at 422 Martin Luther King Blvd.

## Sundaes on Friday June 7

Attention all children and parents  
Make your own ice cream sundaes. On Friday, June 7, from 1 p.m. until 3 p.m. at the Woman's Club located at 1308 11th St., SW, Live Oak. \$2 for the first bowl and \$1 for each additional.

## Suwannee High School Class of '93

Making plans for their 20 year class reunion. Reunion is set for July 13, 2013 at the Brown Lantern. RSVP before June 28th, 2013. Advance notice to attend is needed. For more information contact Heidi Stephenson Day at 386-330-9817 or heididay@windstream.net.

## Family Fun Day July 13

John Hale Community Park, Live Oak

## Christian Mission In Action Ministries

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Otha White Sr (386) 364-1367 or Audrey Howell (386) 364-4560.

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## 20th Annual Wellborn Blueberry Festival June 7 & 8

Admission is free! Both Friday and Saturday feature Arts & Crafts and Food Vendors, the Country Store selling blueberry pies, cobbler, muffins and more, live entertainment by Herold White, and fresh blueberries and blueberry plants available for purchase. The Blueberry Bake-off and Tasting Party will be Friday evening. Saturday features the Blueberry Pancake Breakfast, the Parade, and the Talent Contest. The winners of the Bake-Off, Parade and Talent Contest are awarded cash prizes. This event is hosted by the Wellborn Community Association, a non-profit 501(c)(3) corporation. For more info call 386-963-1157 or see www.wellborncommunityassociation.com

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Carolyn Hogue, Program Chair, 386-935-2044  
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## Used books needed

Do you have hard or softcover books that you no longer need? There might be other folks who would enjoy reading them! The Wellborn Community Library will be hosting its semi-annual used book and bake sale during the Wellborn Blueberry Festival on June 8, but

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now is the time when the library (located at the Wellborn United Methodist Church on Route 137 north of downtown) is actively soliciting donations of books.

Organizers hope to have thousands of books available on many subjects during the daylong sale, but to make that possible, they are actively soliciting books right now. It doesn't matter whether you have a dozen or hundreds of books, they are needed for resale. Please consider cleaning out your bookshelves and donating hardbound or paperback books (books on any subject, fiction and non-fiction, but no encyclopedias, please!). Books can either be dropped at the library (located in the church fellowship hall at 12005 County Road 137 in Wellborn) between 9 and noon on Tuesdays, or pickup can be arranged at no cost.

If you have books to donate and would like to have

them picked up, call Wellborn UMC pastor Rev. Dr. Everett L. Parker at 386-754-8524 or 386-688-1358. Proceeds from the book and bake sale will benefit the library and the Wellborn United Methodist Church's outreach programs.

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## The Sparkleberry Chapter of the Florida Native Plant Society

Sparkleberry Chapter meetings are held the 2nd Tuesday of each month, except June, July, and August, at Hatch Park in Branford. Please contact Chapter President Mae Brandt, maebrandt@bellsouth.net, 386-466-0915, for more information.

## Senior Citizens motorcoach tours

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## Suwannee Legals

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

CASE NO.: 11-50-CA

FIRST FEDERAL BANK OF FLORIDA, a Banking corporation organized under the laws of the United States of America, f/k/a FIRST FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK OF FLORIDA

Plaintiff,

vs.

BEATRICE TRUSTY, if alive and if deceased; the Estate of BEATRICE TRUSTY; the decedent's unknown spouses, heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors and all other parties claiming by, through, under or against him; the unknown spouses, heirs, devisees, grantees and creditors of deceased persons, and all other parties claiming by, through, under or against them; and all unknown natural persons if alive, and if dead not known to be dead or alive, their several and respective unknown spouses, heirs, devisees, grantees and creditors, or other parties claiming by, through or under those unknown natural persons; and the several and respective unknown assigns, successors in interest, trustees or any other person claiming by, through, under or against any corporation or other legal entity named as defendant; and all claimants, persons, or parties, natural or corporate, or whose exact legal status is unknown, claiming under any of the above-named or described defendants or parties claiming to have any right, title or interest in and to the lands and property herein-after described, GREAT SENECA FINANCIAL CORP., a Maryland Corporation, DODGE ENTERPRISES, INC., a Florida Corporation, ANITA E. CRAWFORD, a/k/a ANITA E. WILLIAMS, and WILLIE WILLIAMS, ET AL,

Defendants.

### AMENDED NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: BEATRICE TRUSTY, if alive and if deceased; the Estate of BEATRICE TRUSTY, the decedent's unknown spouses, heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors and all other parties claiming by, through, under or against him; the unknown spouses, heirs, devisees, grantees and creditors of deceased persons, and all other parties claiming by, through, under or against them; and all unknown natural persons if alive, and if dead not known to be dead or alive, their several and respective unknown spouses, heirs, devisees, grantees and creditors, or other parties claiming by, through or under those unknown natural persons; and the several and respective unknown assigns, successors in interest, trustees or any other person claiming by, through, under or against any corporation or other legal entity named as defendant; and all claimants, persons, or parties, natural or corporate, or whose exact legal status is unknown, claiming under any of the above-named or described defendants or parties claiming to have any right, title or interest in and to the lands and property hereinafter described.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Complaint to Foreclose Mortgage has been filed by the Plaintiff, FIRST FEDERAL BANK OF FLORIDA, in the Circuit Court of Suwannee County, Florida, regarding the following described real property:

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You are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, on the Plaintiff's attorney, PAUL V. SMITH, ESQ., whose address is P.O. Box 2029, 4705 West U.S. Hwy. 90, Lake City, Florida 32056, and file the original with the Clerk of the above-named Court on or before the 5th day of July, 2013.

IF YOU FAIL TO DO SO, judgment by default will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

WITNESS my hand and official seal, this 29th day of May, 2013.

(Court Seal) BARRY A. BAKER  
Clerk of the Circuit Court

By: /s/ Sallie Pert  
Deputy Clerk

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

CASE NO.: 2013-CA-000120

JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association

Plaintiff,

vs.

Horiando A. Muniz a/k/a Horiando Muniz, et al.

Defendant(s).

### NOTICE OF ACTION FORECLOSURE PROCEEDINGS-PROPERTY

TO: Kathryn Anne Dawson a/k/a Kathryn Anne Muniz; ADDRESS UNKNOWN BUT WHOSE LAST KNOWN ADDRESS IS: 15728 128th Place, Live Oak, FL 32060

Residence unknown, if living, including any unknown spouse of the said Defendants, if either has remarried and if either or both of said Defendants are dead, their respective unknown heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, creditors, lienors, and trustees, and all other persons claiming by, through, under or against the named Defendant(s); and the aforementioned

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tioned named Defendant(s) and such of the aforementioned unknown Defendants and such of the aforementioned unknown Defendants as may be infants, incompetents or otherwise not sui juris.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action has been commenced to foreclose a mortgage on the following real property, lying and being and situated in Suwannee County, Florida, more particularly described as follows:

FOR POINT OF REFERENCE, COMMENCE AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SECTION 24, TOWNSHIP 3 SOUTH, RANGE 12 EAST, AND THENCE RUN S 89 DEGREES 05'27" W, A DISTANCE OF 40.00 FEET; THENCE RUN S 00 DEGREES 47'39" E, A DISTANCE OF 2,648.4 FEET; THENCE RUN S 88 DEGREES 54'06" W, A DISTANCE OF 2,621.85 FEET; THENCE RUN N 00 DEGREES 53'24" W, A DISTANCE OF 1,328.52 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE N 00 DEGREES 53'24" W, A DISTANCE OF 664.26 FEET; THENCE RUN S 89 DEGREES 02'37" W, A DISTANCE OF 686.26 FEET; THENCE RUN S 00 DEGREES 54'50" E, A DISTANCE OF 664.81 FEET; THENCE RUN N 88 DEGREES 59'46" E, A DISTANCE OF 665.98 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

SUBJECT TO AN EASEMENT OVER AND ACROSS THE EAST 10 FEET, AND THE SOUTH 20 FEET OF THE NORTH 50 FEET OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED LANDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE OF UTILITIES (INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, SEWER AND OTHER PIPELINES, CDDUTS, POLES AND WIRES) WITH THE RIGHT OF ACCESS TO THE SAME AT ANY TIME FOR THE PURPOSES OF REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE.

SUBJECT TO AND TOGETHER WITH AN EASEMENT FOR INGRESS AND EGRESS OVER AND ACROSS THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY:

FOR A POINT OF REFERENCE, COMMENCE AT THE NE CORNER OF SECTION 24, TOWNSHIP 3 SOUTH, RANGE 12 EAST, THENCE RUN S 00 DEGREES 47'39" E ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID SECTION 24, A DISTANCE OF 2018.20 FEET; THENCE RUN N 88 DEGREES 56'57" W, A DISTANCE OF 39.90 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE S 88 DEGREES 56'57" W, A DISTANCE OF 1987.17 FEET; THENCE RUN N 00 DEGREES 51'58" W, A DISTANCE OF 1327.48 FEET; THENCE RUN S 89 DEGREES 02'37" W, A DISTANCE OF 2634.98 FEET; THENCE RUN N 00 DEGREES 57'42" W, A DISTANCE OF 81.25 FEET; THENCE RUN N 46 DEGREES 31'05" W, A DISTANCE OF 695.26 FEET TO A POINT ON THE EASTERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF SATE ROAD 51; THENCE RUN N 43 DEGREES 28'55" E ALONG SAID EASTERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE A DISTANCE OF 60.00 FEET; THENCE RUN S 46 DEGREES 31'05" E, A DISTANCE OF 720.46 FEET; THENCE RUN S 00 DEGREES 57'42" W, A DISTANCE OF 46.44 FEET; THENCE RUN N 89 DEGREES 02'37" E 2575.08 FEET; THENCE RUN N 00 DEGREES 51'58" W, A DISTANCE OF 633.12 FEET; THENCE RUN N 00 DEGREES 49'33" W, A DISTANCE OF 1652.68 FEET; THENCE RUN S 89 DEGREES 05'14" W, A DISTANCE OF 579.14 FEET; THENCE RUN N 46 DEGREES 31'05" W, A DISTANCE OF 580.87 FEET TO A POINT ON THE EASTERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF SAID STATE ROAD 51; THENCE RUN N 43 DEGREES 28'55" E ALONG SAID EASTERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE, A DISTANCE OF 60.00 FEET; THENCE RUN S 46 DEGREES 31'05" E, A DISTANCE OF 556.32 FEET; THENCE RUN N 89 DEGREES 05'14" E, A DISTANCE OF 554.78 FEET; THENCE RUN N 00 DEGREES 49'33" W, A DISTANCE OF 304.41 FEET; THENCE RUN S 00 DEGREES 05'18" E, A DISTANCE OF 829.95 FEET; THENCE RUN S 00 DEGREES 54'42" E, A DISTANCE OF 60.00 FEET; THENCE RUN S 89 DEGREES 05'18" W, A DISTANCE OF 770.05 FEET; THENCE RUN S 00 DEGREES 49'33" E, A DISTANCE OF 1957.17 FEET; THENCE RUN S 00 DEGREES 51'58" E, A DISTANCE OF 1960.38 FEET; THENCE RUN N 89 DEGREES 56'57" E, A DISTANCE OF 1927.25 FEET TO A POINT ON THE WEST RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF COUNTY ROAD 349; THENCE RUN S 00 DEGREES 47'49" E, ALONG SAID WEST RIGHT OF WAY LINE, A DISTANCE OF 60.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

TOGETHER WITH THAT CERTAIN Y E A R : 2 0 0 0 . . V I N # : GAFLX75A35429WS21, MANUFACTURED HOME, WHICH IS PERMANENTLY AFFIXED TO THE ABOVE DESCRIBED LANDS, AS SUCH IT IS DEEMED TO BE A FIXTURE AND A PART OF THE REAL ESTATE.

TOGETHER WITH THAT CERTAIN YEAR: 1978, MAKE: DARLINGTON, VIN#: 6024D676L AND VIN#: 6024D676R, MANUFACTURED HOME, WHICH IS PERMANENTLY AFFIXED TO THE ABOVE DESCRIBED LANDS, AS SUCH IT IS DEEMED TO BE A FIXTURE AND A PART OF THE REAL ESTATE.

more commonly known as 15728 128th Place, Live Oak, FL 32060.

This action has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, upon SHAFER for Plaintiff, whose address is 4630 Woodland Corporate Blvd., Suite 100, Tampa, FL 33614, within thirty (30) days after the first publication of this notice 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.

WITNESS my hand and seal of this Court on the 15th day of May, 2013.

(Court Seal)  
Clerk of the Circuit Court

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By: /s/ Jillian Buchanan  
Deputy Clerk

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodations in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator; 173 Northeast Hernando Street, Room 408, Lake City, Florida 32056; (386) 719-7576 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification of the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days. If you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. 05/29, 06/05

### BID SOLICITATION BID NO. 2013-17

The Suwannee County Board of County Commissioners, Suwannee County, Florida will receive sealed bids at the Clerk of Court Cashier Window at the Courthouse to the attention of Clerk to the Board, 200 South Ohio Avenue, Live Oak, FL 32064 until Friday, June 21, 2013 at 4:00 P.M. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Judicial Annex Building, 218 Parsley Street SW, Live Oak, Florida 32064 on TUESDAY, JUNE 25, 2013 AT 1:00 P.M., for the following:

### PAINT STRIPES FOR ROADS SUWANNEE COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS

The Board of County Commissioners may accept all or part of any bid. Any bid received after Friday June 21, 2013 at 4:00 P.M., will be retained at the Clerk of Court Office unopened and will not be considered. The Board of County Commissioners reserves the right to reject any and all bids, waive formalities and re-advertise and award the bid in the best interest of Suwannee County.

The Board of County Commissioners does not discriminate because of race, creed, color, national origin or handicap status.

The Board of County Commissioners requires a Sworn Statement under section 287.133(3)(a), F.S., on Public Entity Crimes.

The following condition will be a part of the contract as required by Suwannee County Contractor shall utilize the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify system, in accordance with the terms governing use of the system, to confirm the employment eligibility of: 1. all persons employed by the Vendor/Contractor during the term of the Contract to perform employment duties within Florida; and 2. all persons, including subcontractors, assigned by the Vendor/Contractor to perform work pursuant to the contract with Suwannee County.

Anyone wishing to obtain bid documents may contact the Administrative Services Department, at (386) 364-3410. Any questions concerning the bid specifications should be directed to Randy Harris at (386) 362-3992.

All bids must be submitted with one (1) original and four (4) copies and labeled on the outside of the envelope as "SEALED BID NO. 2013-17 FOR PAINT STRIPES FOR ROADS, SUWANNEE COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS."

Wesley Wainwright, CHAIRMAN  
SUWANNEE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
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IN THE COUNTY COURT, THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR SUWANNEE COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION

CASE NO.: 13-44-CC

CITY OF LIVE OAK, Plaintiff,

vs.

ROBERT DAVID HANCOCK, JR., Defendant.

### NOTICE OF SALE UNDER F.S CHAPTER 45

Notice is given that pursuant to a Final Judgment Foreclosing Code Enforcement Lien dated May 23, 2013 in Case No. 13-44-CC of the County Court in and for Suwannee County, Florida, in which City of Live Oak is Plaintiff and Robert David Hancock, Jr., is Defendant, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash on the front steps of the Suwannee County Courthouse at Live Oak, Florida, at 11:00 A.M. on July 2, 2013 the following described property:

The South 210 feet of Lot 2, Block 50F and the West 10 feet of the South 210.00 feet of Lot 3, Block 50F, Original Town of Live Oak, as shown on Sheet 18 of the Old City Tax Assessors Map Book in the Public Records of Suwannee County, Florida, City of Live Oak, Florida in Section 23, Township 2 South, Range 13 East, Suwannee County, Florida.

DATED this 24th day of May, 2013.

(Court Seal) Barry A. Baker  
Clerk of the Circuit Court  
Suwannee County, Florida

By: /s/ Jillian Buchanan  
Deputy Clerk

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### NOTICE UNDER FICTITIOUS NAME LAW PURSUANT TO SECTION 865.09, FLORIDA STATUTES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of WILLARD MIRL DUKE, located at 16486 169th PL in the County of Suwannee, in the City of Macclain, Florida 32062, intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida.

Dated at MacAlpin, Florida, this 30th day of May, 2013.

Owner's name: Willard Mirl Duke  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR SUWANNEE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO. 2013-CA-44

THE HORIZON GROUP, LLC, A Florida Limited Liability Company

Plaintiff,

vs.

RENOLD BELZAIRE and EVENS BELZAIRE, et. al.,

Defendants.

### NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Default Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated May 21, 2013, in the above referenced case in which THE HORIZON GROUP, LLC, a Florida Limited Liability Company, is Plaintiff, and RENOLD BELZAIRE and EVENS BELZAIRE; unknown tenants; and other unknown parties in possession, including the unknown spouse of any person in possession of the property, and if a named Defendant is deceased, the surviving spouse, heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors, and all other parties claiming by, through, under or against that Defendant, and all claimants, persons or parties, natural or corporate, or whose exact legal status is unknown, claiming under any of the named or described Defendants, are Defendants, I BARRY A. BAKER, Clerk of the Court, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the front door of the Suwannee County Courthouse or such other location in Suwannee County Courthouse in Live Oak, Florida, as I as the Clerk of the Court may designate at the time of sale, at 11:00 o'clock A.M. on the 27th day of June, 2013, the following described property set forth in the Default Judgment of Foreclosure:

The South 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 33, Township 4 South, Range 11 East, Suwannee County, Florida; and part of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 4, Township 3 South, Range 11 East, of said county, being more particularly described as follows: For Point of Beginning, commence at the Northeast corner of said NW 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of Section 4, thence run S 88 degrees 06'02" W along the centerline of 152nd Street, a distance of 176.66 feet; thence continue along said centerline S 85 degrees 42'10" W, a distance of 90.35 feet; thence run N 76 degrees 36'59" W, a distance of 36.42 feet to the North line of said Section 4; thence N 89 degrees 12'15" E along said North line, a distance of 302.13 feet to the Point of Beginning.

Subject to existing county road right-of-way.

Subject to a 10.00 foot utility easement over and across the North 10.00 feet and the South 10.00 feet of the West 1024.28 feet thereof. Subject to a 20.00 foot utility easement lying 20.00 feet to Northerly of and parallel to the North right-of-way line of 152nd Street.

Any and all bidders, parties or other interested persons shall contact the information desk of the Clerk of the Court prior to the scheduled foreclosure sale who will advise of the exact location in the Suwannee County Courthouse for the foreclosure sale.

ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE.

NOTE: If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Court Administrator, Post Office Box 1569, Lake City, Florida 32056-1569, Telephone: (386) 758-2163, within two (2) working days of your receipt of this Notice or pleading. If you are hearing or voice impaired, please call: 1-800-955-8771.

WITNESS my hand and the official seal of said Court, this 28th day of May, 2013, at Live Oak, Suwannee County, Florida.

(Court Seal)  
HONORABLE BARRY A. BAKER  
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

By: /s/ Jillian Buchanan  
As Deputy Clerk

Rose M Decker, Jr., Esquire  
THE DECKER LAW FIRM, P.A.  
320 White Avenue  
Post Office Box 1288  
Live Oak, Florida 32064  
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Attorney for Plaintiff  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR SUWANNEE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO. 2012-92-CA

JUBILEE VENTURES, LLC, A Florida Limited Liability Company

Plaintiff,

vs.

SOLA GAFARU, deceased, and his surviving spouse, ANN B. SODE, unknown heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors, et. al.,

Defendants.

### NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated May 20, 2013, in the above referenced case in which JUBILEE VENTURES, LLC, a Florida Limited Liability Company, is Plaintiff, and SOLA GAFARU, deceased, and his sur-

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living spouse, ANN B. SODE; unknown tenants; and other unknown parties in possession, including the unknown spouse of any person in possession of the property, and if a named Defendant is deceased, the surviving spouse, heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors, and all other parties claiming by, through, under or against that Defendant, and all claimants, persons or parties, natural or corporate, or whose exact legal status is unknown, claiming under any of the named or described Defendants, are Defendants, I, BARRY A. BAKER, Clerk of the Court, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the front door of the Suwannee County Courthouse or such other location in Suwannee County Courthouse in Live Oak, Florida, as I as the Clerk of the Court may designate at the time of sale, at 11:00 o'clock A.M. on the 27th day of June, 2013, the following described property set forth in the Final Judgment of Foreclosure:

Lot 11, Green Grasses South, a subdivision according to the Plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 505, Public Records of Suwannee County, Florida.

Any and all bidders, parties or other interested persons shall contact the information desk of the Clerk of the Court prior to the scheduled foreclosure sale who will advise of the exact location in the Suwannee County Courthouse for the foreclosure sale.

ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE.

NOTE: If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Court Administrator, Post Office Box 1569, Lake City, Florida 32056-1569, Telephone: (386) 758-2163, within two (2) working days of your receipt of this Notice or pleading. If you are hearing or voice impaired, please call: 1-800-955-8771.

WITNESS my hand and the official seal of said Court, this 21st day of May, 2013, at Live Oak, Suwannee County, Florida.

(Court Seal)  
HONORABLE BARRY A. BAKER  
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

By: /s/ Jillian Buchanan  
As Deputy Clerk

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

CASE NO.: 13-19-CA

FIRST FEDERAL BANK OF FLORIDA, a Banking corporation organized under the laws of the United States of America, f/k/a FIRST FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK OF FLORIDA

Plaintiff,

vs.

SAMANTHA L. HOBBY n/k/a SAMANTHA L. PRINCE and DANIEL D. PRINCE, ET AL,

Defendants.

### NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that BARRY A. BAKER, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Suwannee County, Florida, will on the 25th day of June, 2013, at 11:00 a.m. on the front steps of the Suwannee County Courthouse, 200 S. Ohio Avenue, Live Oak, FL 32064, offer for sale and sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash, the following described property situated in Suwannee County, Florida, to-wit:

Lot 5, CHERRY BLOSSOM RANCHETTES, according to the map or plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 1, page 393, of the public records of Suwannee County, Florida

TOGETHER WITH a new 2007 Fleetwood Doublewide mobile home, Serial Number GAFL634A/B79858-TW21

Pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered in a case pending in said Court, the style of which is as set out above, and the docket number of which is 13-19-CA. Any person

# Calendar of Events

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**Smoky Mt. Show Trip** Oct. 14-18, 2013  
 Branson Show Extravaganza  
 Oct. 12 -20, 2013  
 New York City  
 Dec. 4-12, 2013

**Boy Scout Troop 408**

Meets on Thursdays from 7-8:30 p.m. at the American Legion Post 107, 10726 142nd St., between Live Oak and McAlpin. Membership is open to boys ages 11-17. Join us for camping, hiking, canoeing, and many other outdoor activities. 386-209-3480

**Cub Scout Pack 408**

Meets on Thursdays from 6-7 p.m. at the American Legion Post 107, 10726 142nd St., between Live Oak and McAlpin. Membership is open to boys ages 6-10. Join us for camping, archery, BB shooting, and many other fun activities. Parents encouraged to participate. 386-209-3480

**Elks Lodge Bingo**

Bingo is every Monday night from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the lodge featuring a progressive jackpot. Non Smoking. Kitchen is open serving drinks and snacks.

**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.

For more info on how you can help The Arc recycle products please call 386-362-7143 Ext. 5.

supporting adults with intellectual & developmental disabilities in Suwannee, Hamilton, Lafayette, Columbia & Baker Counties.

**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.

**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 cor-

ner 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 Irvin Chance, Chapter Chairman, at 386-330-2424, for more information on the association or the monthly program. You may also visit the web site at: www.suwannee.florida-trail.org or www.meetup.com/Suwannee-FTA for a calendar of activities.

**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.

**Suwannee Democratic Executive Committee meeting**

Suwannee DEC will meet on the second Thursday of every month at 7 p.m. at Live Oak City Hall, 101 White Ave., Live Oak, FL 32064.

**Save the Cats of 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 of Live Oak**

Special kittens adoption have several beautiful, cuddly kittens, male & females all have been spayed & neutered, checked for FIV, leukemia and rabies shots. Special donation rate \$30. To have these things done at a vet clinic would cost over \$100. We are a 501-C3 non-profit reserve. Also need donations of kitten food, dry food and tidy cats litter. Bring donations to Big Wheel Market Place, 317 W. Howard St or Downtown Cafe, Tractor Supply or Freds. Call for additional information Barney 386-364-1006.

**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.

## Sunscreen Ratings: The Best and Worst for Beach Season 2013

Want to really enjoy your day in the sun? Start by choosing the best **sunblock** out there so you don't have to worry about getting burned. Luckily, the Environmental Working Group (EWG) has just released its **2013 Guide to Sunscreens**, which rates more than 1,400 sunscreens, lip balms, and SPF moisturizers and cosmetics for safety and effectiveness. And some of their findings might surprise you. The EWG report found that only 25 percent of products on the market offer both broad sun protection and low-risk chemical ingredients. "Consumers are understandably confused about sunscreens," Sonya Lunder, lead author of the EWG report, told Yahoo! Shine. "And, unfortunately, they are facing some bad choices."

While sunburns are caused mostly by relatively short but intense ultraviolet B rays, longer UVA rays, which penetrate the body more deeply, inflict more insidious damage and may contribute to or cause cancer. But all sunscreens are not equal in how effectively they protect against both types of rays, says the EWG.

The FDA aimed to make that clearer when it put new sunscreen labeling rules into effect in 2012. One new requirement is for products to test and then label to identify sunscreens as "broad spectrum" if they protect well against both UVB and UVA rays. Those that don't must now carry a "skin cancer/skin aging alert" (although EWG says that the FDA standards on this are too low). Another requirement is that if a product claims to be water-resistant, it must say when, during sweating or swimming, the sunblock should be reapplied (for example, every 80 minutes).

But after analyzing 750 beach and sport sunscreens, EWG noted that the new FDA rules have not yet led to better sunscreens for 2013. "New rules, same old products," Lunder said. Still, learning to look past label claims and look carefully at ingredient lists can be a helpful way around the bad products. Below, the best and worst of what's currently on the market:

**EWG's List of Worst Sunscreens:**

Banana Boat Kids Max Protect & Play Continuous Spray Sunscreen, SPF 110 Banana Boat Ultra Defense Max Skin Protect Continuous Spray Sunscreen, SPF 110 CVS Clear Spray Sunscreen, SPF 100 CVS Kids Wet & Dry Sunscreen Spray, SPF 70 Neutrogena Wet Skin Spray Broad Spectrum Sunscreen, SPF 85+ Neutrogena Ultra Sheer Body Mist Broad Spectrum Sunscreen, SPF 100+ Rite Aid Renewal Extreme Sport Continuous



Spray Sunscreen, SPF 70 Rite Aid Renewal Kids Wet Skin Continuous Spray Sunscreen SPF 70

**EWG's List of Best Sunscreens (with average prices):**

Coppertone Kids Pure & Simple Sunscreen Lotion, SPF 50 (\$10) CVS Baby Sun Lotion Broad Spectrum Sunscreen, SPF 50 (\$8) Sunbow Dora the Explorer Sunscreen, SPF 30 (\$10) Alba Botanica Natural Very Emollient Mineral Sunscreen, Fragrance Free, SPF 30 (\$12) Coral Safe Broad Spectrum Face Stick, SPF 30 (\$8) Jason Pure Natural Sun Mineral Natural Sunscreen, SPF 30 (\$12) Blue Lizard Australian Sunscreen, Sensitive, SPF 30+ (\$20) Tropical Sands Sunscreen, SPF 50 (\$16) Absolutely Natural Sunscreen, SPF 30 (\$24) Aubrey Organics Natural Sun Sunscreen, Green Tea, SPF 30+ (\$11)

So what does the EWG say should be avoided when you make your choice?

**Sunscreen sprays or powders:** Sprays and powders may pose serious inhalation risks — and also make it too easy to apply too little or to miss a spot, leaving tender skin exposed to dangerous rays.

**SPF values above 50+:** SPF refers only to protection against UVB radiation, not the potentially cancer-causing UVA rays. So a high-SPF number may trick you into staying in the sun too long, blocking sunburns but increasing the risk of other kinds of skin damage. The FDA is considering limiting SPF claims to 50+, as is done in other countries.

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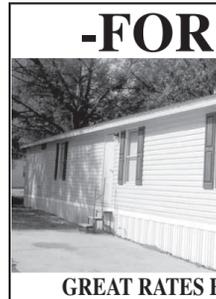
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