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District Back-To-School Event Set For August 15

On August 15, starting at noon, the King of the Grill Cook-Off and Car Show Extravaganza will be launched at Madison Recreation Center. These two exciting events will be complemented with the District Back-to-School Fair. Representatives from various health and service agencies will also be available to answer questions.

The Health Department will also be open from 1 until 4 p.m. that **Please see School, Page 4A**

Parents Of Disabled Children Invited To Presentation

Parents of children with autism and other disabilities are invited to attend a presentation by Lee R. Clark, Ph.D., Senior Advocate/Investigator with the Advocacy Center for Persons with Disabilities, Inc. The presentation will be held Tuesday, September 1, from 6:30-8 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Madison.

Specific topics to be addressed include, but are not limited, to: **Please see Parents, Page 4A**

Local Mitigation Strategy Meeting Set For August 19

As part of ongoing efforts for updating the Local Mitigation Strategy (LMS) for Madison County, Madison County Emergency Management will hold a public meeting on Wednesday, August 19, at 5:30 p.m., at the County Commission Meeting Room in the Courthouse Annex, located at 229 SW Pinckney Street.

The meeting will provide an opportunity for the residents of Madison County to review and comment on **Please see Meeting, Page 4A**

City Sidewalks

Madison residents discuss concerns that include city sidewalks



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This sidewalk hazard is located near the corner of Macon and Horry in downtown Madison. The missing sections and protruding pieces are severe, making it extremely difficult for wheelchair travel. Similar spots exist along both blocks that meet on this corner.

By Michael Curtis
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When the Concerned Citizens of Madison met on August 4 at the Art Guild to resume discussions of several concerns they look to address, including the formation of a formal Neighborhood Watch program, many expressed displeasure with the manner in which the city handled their complaints. The tone was passionate, although several expressed the importance of communicating and collaborating with local officials and law enforcement to bring their

concerns to action.

Among other key issues discussed was the poor condition of sidewalks throughout the city, with the historic district particularly emphasized. The group reviewed a few illustrations and cost details provided from the city, although the information was general, and didn't detail which sidewalks were currently scheduled for, or under repair, nor did it include budget information.

The next morning, City Manager Harold Emrich was interviewed regarding

the sidewalk concerns and asked to provide this detail of the city's current and future repair schedule.

Emrich acknowledged the concern as very "legitimate," providing a budget and geographic summary, which included five repair locations that are along the downtown Walking Tour:

- NE Livingston & Hancock
- NE Range & Livingston
- SW Hancock & Rutledge
- NE Sumpter & Horry

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This sidewalk is in the historic district of downtown Madison on Livingston Street. The sidewalk was likely built during or before WWII. It is heavily cracked, but passable.



Federal Guidelines For 2009 H1N1 Influenza In Schools Offer Many Options

Updated federal guidelines offer state and local public health and school officials a range of options for responding to 2009 H1N1 influenza in schools, depending on how severe the flu may be in their communities. The guidance says officials should balance the risk of flu in their communities with the disruption that school dismissals will cause in education and the wider community.

The guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) was announced today at a joint news conference by Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius, Education Secretary Arne Duncan, Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano, and CDC Director Thomas R. Frieden, M.D., M.P.H.

The school guidance is a part of a broader national framework to respond to novel H1N1 influenza, which includes encouraging people to be vaccinated against the virus and to take other actions to avoid infection. The CDC anticipates more illness after the school year starts, because flu typically is transmitted more easily in the fall and winter.

"We're going to continue to do

everything possible to keep our children - and all Americans - healthy and safe this fall," Secretary Sebelius said. "But all Americans also have a part to play. The best way to prevent the spread of flu is vaccination. A seasonal flu vaccine is ready to go, and we should have one for the 2009 H1N1 flu by mid-October."

"The federal government continues to coordinate closely with state and local governments, school districts and the private sector on H1N1 preparation as we head into the fall flu season—and the upcoming school year," said Secretary Napolitano. "Readiness for H1N1 is a shared responsibility, and the guidance released today provides communities with the tools they need to protect the health of their students and teachers."

For an outbreak similar in severity to the spring 2009 H1N1 infection, the guidelines recommend basic good hygiene, such as hand washing. In addition, students or staff members with flu-like illness (showing symptoms of flu) should stay home at least 24 hours after fever symptoms have **Please see Swine Flu, Page 4A**

Smokey Bear Turns 65 Years Old



Photo Submitted

Smokey Bear made a special appearance at Hickory Grove's annual Founder's Day. Smokey is pictured with Olivia (left) and Gracie Galbraith.

By Bryant Thigpen
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Smokey Bear will celebrate its 65th birthday on Sunday, August 9. It was on that date in 1944 that Smokey Bear made his debut appearance nationwide on posters and billboards as the United States Forest Service, promoting the message of forest fire prevention.

The first message that Smokey Bear brought to light was "Care would prevent nine out of **Please see Smokey, Page 4A**

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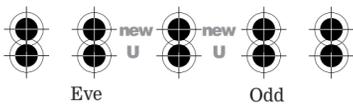


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VIEWPOINTS & OPINIONS



**Wandering With
The Publisher**
Mary Ellen Greene
Columnist

Happy 99th Birthday To My Father



This Saturday, August 15, 2009, is a special day in our families' lives.

The patriarch of our family, William Buford Selman, Sr., will turn a "young" 99 years old.

Not many people live long enough to turn 99, and many of those who do are not still in their right minds to know the significance of such a feat, and many do not realize the unusualness of such a birthday. But, our Dad does.

Dad was born in Armuchee, Ga. on August 15, 1910, to Jonah and Lottie Selman. He was the oldest son of the family of six children. The only other remaining living sibling in his family is his brother, Gordon, who also is a resident of Madison. Dad's mother was a music teacher and homemaker, and his father was a rural mail carrier. In the small community of Aruuchee, Ga., everyone knew every one else, and it was a fun place for us, as children, to visit our kin that we saw about once a year.

In Dad's immediate family were: Jessie, the oldest child, and the only girl of the family. She has passed away. She and her husband, Cyril, owned a restaurant in Aruuchee, and we always enjoyed going to visit them and eating in their place of business. They had three children of their own: Joyce, Ronald, and C.C. I can remember going to visit and playing with our cousins. What fun we always had with the Lynch family!

The second-born child of the Selman family was our father, William Buford Selman. He finished high school in Aruuchee after skipping several grades along the way for his scholastic excellence.

He later worked in repairs for a telephone exchange company with Southern Bell. During the Depression, he worked for the Georgia Agriculture Dept. inspecting cotton. This is how he came to Madison. He worked with the Ag. Dept. for three years as a statistician in the United States Cotton Service. He later worked with the Van H. Priest Co. as their head bookkeeper for their 16 stores in Florida and Georgia. The company, was, of course, based in Madison. Their office was located in the building still standing at Lake Francis to the left of the Madison Woman's Club building. It was known as the "Van H. Priest Warehouse." After meeting my mother, Berta Lucile Green, who worked for the Van H. Priest Co. also, they dated for a little time, and they decided to get married. Mother was working at the Priest Dime Store in downtown Madison, and after marrying Dad, they branched out on their own and opened Lucile's Dress Shop next door to the Priest Dime Store. They ran the dress shop for 60 years, until it burned when downtown Madison caught fire in 1997. Dad simply said at the time that it was the Lord's way of saying, "Buford, it's time to take Lucile, (who had developed Parkinson's Disease), and go home. And, he did. Mother died at age 83.

Third in line of my dad's family was Uncle Roy Selman, who was a real estate investor, and, who also owned a lumber yard, and sawmill business. Roy was a County Commissioner for Floyd County, Ga., for many years. Roy is also deceased, and his wife, Irene, passed away in 2005. Their daughter, Linda, still resides in Georgia with her family. The fourth child was Uncle Gordon Selman of Madison. He was married to Hettie and they had two children: Martha and Don, who still lives here. The fifth child was Uncle Clyde, who was the Vice-President of the 1st National Bank of Rome, Ga. He and his wife Jeanette had two boys. The baby of the family was Uncle James, a carpenter, also deceased. He had one daughter.

Our family feels blessed to have had Dad as our patriarch these many, many years. We wish a happy 99th birthday to the best Dad in the World.

Happy, Happy Birthday, Daddy! May you have 99 more wonderful years. Thank you, Dad, for all you have meant to me and your family, and still are, and for being our "guiding light" these many, many years.

Letters To The Editor

Letters to the Editor are typed word for word, comma for comma, as sent to this newspaper.

What's The Problem?

In 2000, our Hospital board received \$400,000. From the state legislature for architectural services on a 50 bed hospital. These monies were to be received through Florida Department of Health (FDOH).

This project was put out for bids, and Mr. Rutherford and his group (CRA) received the contract on 23 March 2000. Sometime in 2001, Mr. Rutherford's group finished the architectural work, and came up with the figure of \$16 Million for a 50 bed hospital building.

In September 2001, 30 acres of land was acquired from the School Board, where engineering and land preparation were in progress. At some point, they ran out of money and the project stopped. I have no problems with the above, the following is where the problem starts.

Today, we have a continuing contract (voted in by the Board) with Mr. Rutherford and his group. (CRA). Article (5) of the contract with CRA has a "Termination clause," when they (CRA) ran out of money the contract become null and void. My question is, "how was this now closed contract with the Hospital and CRA to be re-opened in 2006"?

According to Statute 287.055 Section 2 subtitle 2-g says, "A continuing contract" is a contract for professional services entered into in accordance with all the procedures of this act between an agency and a firm whereby the firm provides professional services to the agency for projects in which construction costs do not exceed \$1 million, remember this number) or for work of a specified nature as outlined in the contract required by the agency, with no time limitation except that the contract must provide a (termination clause). It then goes on to say, "Firms providing professional services under continuing contracts shall not be required to bid against one another." That statement would, in itself, eliminate the bidding for the new contract, were it not for the fact that the original contract was no longer in progress for nearly six years.

On 12/26/2006, a motion by hospital board member Mr. Sale, was approved by a 3 to 4 margin approving the continuation of the 2000 architectural contract with CRA eliminating the bid procedure. The minutes state that the contract with CRA was open ended as far as the time factor goes. At the Hospital board meeting 1-18-2007, the minutes state that the continuation of the contract with CRA was the "right thing to do."

On 05/09/2008, a man met with Mr. Abercrombie. As the man told me, "We now have 1.3 million dollars budgeted for architectural engineering costs. A cost of 19.8 million is expected for a 25 bed hospital today.

Please understand, I am not accusing anyone of wrong doings. With that said, I think there is a conflict of interest. I believe CRA ran over budget in 2000 and this is one way of paying him what we as a community owe them and this type project, I'm sure we do owe them something. But the law is clear, to me anyway. "see the figures above, "50,000 and 1 Million" This new contract exceeds these figures set by the State.

I don't know about anyone else in this county, but, I work hard for my money. I want to know where my tax money is going, why it's needed, and of what benefit it is to my community. It seems to me that we rush into things because it feels good. Do we really need a hospital? Why not a really top notch Health Care facility? We certainly have half the beds we were going to get back in 2000. "I just don't get it" When and if we ever do get a Hospital, how will we pay for the up keep of the grounds, building(s) employees and make payments on the interest and principle? The up keep on such a building could easily cost three or more million dollars a year. Then, we have salaries to pay, equipment to purchase where are we going to get these funds?

I want the 1/2 cent tax removed, we don't have the monies to maintain much less build a hospital.

George Pouliotte



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Emerald Greene
Publisher

Striking The Wrong Nerves

I received several responses regarding my editorial last week. I got several "atta boys" and I received two emails that I feel came out of left field. Apparently I struck a few nerves, but I must say, "They were the wrong nerves."

One statement that was written (regarding the quotes given about taking from one half and giving to the other half) said, "This whole statement is targeting minority and lower-class citizens."

WRONG - this statement says..... "Get up and go to work and earn a living. Don't sit at home all day and expect the working class of America to feed you, clothe you, and pay all your expenses." This is not targeted at anyone particular..... the working men (and women) of America don't care if those sitting at home are white, black, yellow, or red. We don't care if they are Baptist, Methodist, Catholic or Pentecostal. We just want you to get up and go to work and earn your own living.

There are millions of Americans who don't work, outside of the home, because of REAL disabilities, or age. I/we don't have a problem with them. I/we are happy to help the elderly/disabled - - the deserving.

The problem in this country is the tens of millions of **young, healthy, but just lazy** people who are sitting at home watching television all day and collecting a check to do so. That problem has **nothing** to do with color..... it has **everything** to do with "home-raising" and work ethic, and the lack of both. It is not right for the government to try to step in and reward these sorts of mind-sets, once again, regardless of age, color, creed, or nationality.

The other email I received told me I was spiritually weak, greedy, fearful, and needed to read my Bible.

This one dumbfounded me. Receiving a letter from someone, **who does not know me**, and within that letter tells me I need to read my Bible and search Jesus out more..... and that I "Fake Jesus Christ as your savior."

And this comes from what? The fact that I'm against higher taxes? The fact that I'm against higher prices on life's necessities, as a result of the higher taxes?

Am I spiritually weak because I see that this country is spending nearly \$300 billion a year on a Medicaid program that is intended for the low-income citizens, but yet wants to implement yet another government program that will cost TRILLIONS of more dollars?

I think not!!!

Until then.....see you around the town.

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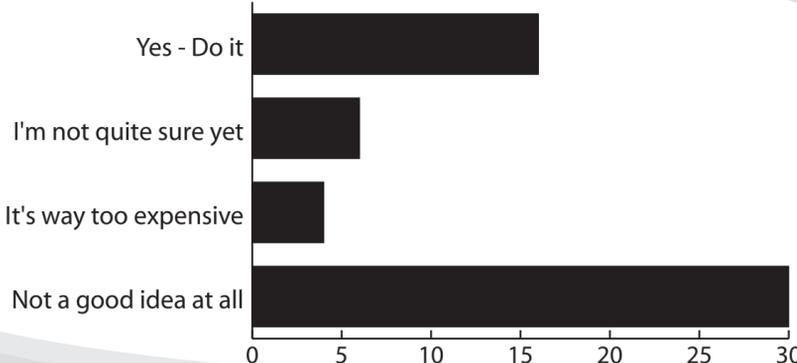
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LAST WEEK'S Online Poll

How do you feel about the plan to overhaul the nation's health care system?



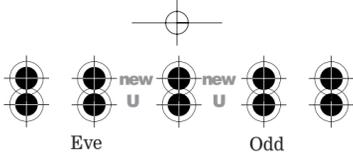
This week's question: How do you think the minimum wage increase will effect the economy?

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**Lee
Limelight**
Jacob Bemby
Columnist

Homecomings And Revivals

On Sunday, August 16, Midway Baptist Church of Madison will be celebrating its 65th Anniversary celebration and homecoming, with special guest, Dr. Olin Charles Horton. Sunday School will begin at 10:30 a.m., Morning worship at 11:30 a.m., and lunch at 1 p.m.

Dr. Horton has been in the ministry for 52 years and was ordained at New Home Baptist Church in Perry. Attending New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, he received a doctorate of ministry degree.

Macedonia Baptist Church will be hosting a revival beginning with a fish fry on Saturday afternoon, Aug. 22, at 6 p.m.

Services for the revival will begin Sunday morning, Aug. 23, at 11 a.m. through Wednesday night, Aug. 26. Evening services will begin at 7 p.m. The guest speaker will be former pastor, Brother Bill Reynolds, of Alabama. Brother Reynolds was the pastor of Macedonia Baptist Church during the early 1970s. Please come and join with us, celebrating the Word of God.

Belated birthday wishes are extended to Terri Reynolds, who celebrated her big day on Saturday, August 8. Belated birthday wishes also go out to Chloe Cline, who celebrated her birthday on Tuesday, August 11.

That's all the news for this week! Have a great week and a beautiful forever! May God bless each and every one of you.

Civil News

Brenda Roberson and Department of Revenue vs. Kendrick Richardson – support

Darren Bass and Department of Revenue vs. Deanna Bass – support

Tyrra Meserve and Department of Revenue vs. Scot Breaux – support

Kathy Hepburn vs. Alashie Lee – repeat domestic injunction

Reba Johnson vs. Claude Johnson – domestic injunction

Estrella Martinize vs. Jesus I. Martinez – dissolution of marriage

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Looking for something to help maintain your lawn? Check the *Greene Publishing, Inc. Classifieds*. This week, we had seven tractors and four mowers in our ads. We also had a number of other outdoor maintenance items from bug zappers to weed whackers. Whatever it is you're looking for, you can find it in the *Greene Publishing, Inc. Classifieds!*

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Linda Howell, Supervisor of Elections, was received into Kiwanis membership by Pat Cantey.

Phillip Howell, her husband, pins Linda during the induction ceremony.

Blue Dogs

**National
Security**
Joe Boyles
Guest Columnist



During the last two election cycles, Republicans have been given a severe thrashing from the American electorate. Democrats are firmly in control of our federal government and liberals are in the driver's seat. If there was ever any doubt, our president is the most liberal to ever occupy the White House. In the House of Representatives, liberal Democrats are in charge of most committees. Speaker Nancy Pelosi represents the far left fringe of her San Francisco district. In the Senate, where Democrats hold a super majority of 60 seats, the situation is slightly better with more moderates in key positions.

So what is a conservative to do? An important constituency is the Democrat Blue Dog Coalition in the House. This moderate federation of 52 representatives holds the key to slowing down the radical agenda pushed by Pelosi's liberal troops. A lot of these Blue Dogs are southerners, but more than half come from other mostly rural, conservative districts throughout the nation.

Before there were Blue Dogs, there were Yellow Dog Democrats who would "vote for a yellow dog before a Republican." Times change and when one conservative southerner proclaimed that "liberals had choked the Yellow Dogs blue," the Blue Dogs were born.

It is pretty easy to find the Blue Dog web-

site under www.house.gov. At the BlueDogs website, you can learn about their members and position statements on major issues. You can also find an update ticker that indicates the Federal debt now exceeds \$11 trillion. Fiscal responsibility has been the most important unifying force for the Blue Dogs since they were first formed.

A key member of the Blue Dog Coalition is seven-term Representative Allen Boyd (FL-02) from neighboring Monticello. Not long ago, he cast one of the 219 affirmative votes in the House to pass the onerous Cap and Trade Bill (HR-2454). Immediately, he posted a news release on his website proclaiming how proud he was of this historic vote. Once Boyd returned home, he was excoriated by the public for his vote in favor of the liberal "Cap and Tax" bill in places like Panama City and Live Oak. Since then, he has pulled his earlier news release. I think Mr. Boyd recognizes that many of his constituents are very upset with him over this vote.

In some respects, Cap and Trade was an easy vote for Blue Dogs because it is a hidden tax on energy users. As far as I know, it would not add any to the national debt, the foremost issue that unites Blue Dogs. But a hidden tax is still a tax and over time, energy users would feel the pain of much higher costs in their monthly light bill.

That's why there was such a strong statement about this in our last Tri-County Co-op newsletter.

The current battle in the House is over health care reform and here, the Blue Dogs can't run for cover. The energy bill (HR-3200) that has passed out of the Energy and Commerce Committee by a 31-28 vote will add massively to the federal debt (\$250 billion over the next 10 years) according to the Congressional Budget Office (CBO).

After wrestling some concessions from the liberals who run this committee, four of seven Blue Dogs voted in favor of the bill. Three Blue Dogs (Matheson of Utah, Melancon of Louisiana, and Barrow of Georgia) joined two other Democrats in voting with all the Republicans against this bill which would begin the socialization of our health care system.

Now that the House has adjourned for their August recess and members have returned home, they are catching an earful from the people they supposedly represent about Cap and Trade, but especially about Health Care Reform. The Blue Dogs are finding out that "Public Option" and single-payer might be popular inside the Beltway, but they aren't back home. One of those Blue Dogs who's getting ripped is Mike Ross of Arkansas. He voted in favor of HR-3200 in committee and at a townhall meeting last week in Southern Arkansas, his constituents let him have it. Good for them.

My guess is that as Allen Boyd holds townhall meetings in familiar places like Live Oak, Blountstown, Mariana, Chipley, Perry, and Cross City this month, he is going to get an earful about both issues.

He hasn't taken a position on health care yet as far as I know, so this is an opportunity for voters to tell him what they think about big government taking over our health care system.

Some of these townhall meetings have gotten pretty raucous lately. The reason is because the people are frustrated because we feel that our elected representatives have become tone-deaf. They are our neighbors here at home, but once they are captured by the Washington crowd, we hardly know them. As Dwight Eisenhower famously said more than a half century ago, "The problem with Washington is everyone's too far from home."

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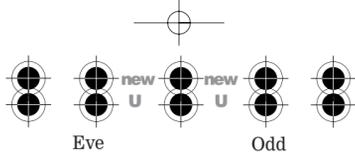
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FROM PAGE ONE

Smokey

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10 forest fires," according to Poytner Online's Al Tompkins. "Before Smokey, the government experimented with fire-prevention messages that were tied to World War II," he said.

Because of Smokey and the nationwide message of prevention and education on awareness, forest fires have decreased.

Every year during National Wildfire Prevention Week, Rangers from Madison County's Division of Forestry visit every public school within the county. Smokey Bear and the rangers visit every first grade class, educating the students on the dangers and prevention of wild fires. Smokey Bear is often spotted in parades downtown visiting with children.

How did Smokey Bear come into existence? According to smokeybear.com, "One spring day in 1950 in the Capitan Mountains of New Mexico, an operator in one of the fire towers to the north of the Capitan spotted smoke and called the location into the nearest ranger station. The first crew discovered a major fire being swept along the ground between the trees, driven by a strong wind. Word spread rapidly and more crews reported to help. Forest Rangers, army soldiers, Native American crews, men from the New Mexico State Game Department, and civilian volunteers worked together to gain control of the raging fire. As soon as they contained the fire to one spot, the wind would push it across the lines. During one of the lulls in firefighting, a report of a lonely bear cub who had been seen wandering near the fire line was reported. The men left him alone because they thought the mother bear might come for him."

And it continues, "About 30 firefighters, mainly soldiers but also a Capitan High School student, Several soldiers were caught directly in the path of the fire storm, barely escaping by laying face down on a rockslide for over an hour until the fire had burned past them. In spite of the experience, the firefighters were safe except for a few scorches and some burned holes in their clothes. Nearby, the little cub had been caught in the path of the same fire and had not fared as well. He had taken refuge in a tree that was now completely charred. His climb had saved his life but left him badly burned on the paws and hind legs. The soldiers removed the little bear cub from the burned tree, but they did not know what to do with him. A rancher, who had been helping the firefighters, agreed to take the cub home. A New Mexico Department of Game and Fish Ranger heard about the cub when he returned to the fire camp and drove to the rancher's home to get the bear. The cub needed veterinary aid and was flown in a small plane to Santa Fe where the burns were treated and bandaged."

The bear made headlines nationwide, and was presented to the agency for the purpose of fire prevention publicity.

The original Smokey Bear lived at the National Zoo in Washington, D.C., but passed away November 9, 1976.

Parents

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- Service delivery option

Lee Clark has spent the last 31 years working with high risk students and their families. Further, he is a consumer, for the last 10 years, having been diagnosed as having bipolar disorder and adult ADHD. He has been a social worker, classroom teacher, school principal, district administrator and for 18 years worked in the Department of Education in numerous positions, most recently as the state consultant for students with emotional disabilities.

Time will be allocated after the formal presentation and Question and Answer session to answer specific questions and address specific issues.

Contact Betsy Thompson at 973-5192 or Teresa Gallegos at 973-6489 if you plan to attend.

Swine Flu

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ended.

"We can all work to keep our children healthy now by practicing prevention, close monitoring, and using common sense," Secretary Duncan said. "We hope no schools have to close. But if they do, we need to make sure that children keep learning."

The guidelines also recommend schools have plans in place to deal with possible infection. For instance, people with flu-like illness should be sent to a room away from other people until they can be sent home. Schools should have plans for continuing the education of students who are at home, through phone calls, homework packets, Internet lessons and other approaches. And schools should have contingency plans to fill important positions such as school nurses.

If H1N1 flu causes higher rates of severe illness, hospitalizations and deaths, school officials could add to or intensify their responses, the guidelines say. Under these conditions, the guidelines advise parents to check their children every morning for illness, and keep the children home if they have a fever.

In addition, schools could begin actively screening students upon arrival and sending ill students home immediately. If one family member is ill, students should stay home for five days from the day the illness develops, the guidelines say.

"Influenza can be unpredictable, so preparation and planning are key," said Dr. Frieden. "We can't stop the tide of flu, but we can reduce the number of people who become very ill by preparing well and acting effectively."

School

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day, in order to provide required back-to-school immunizations. Health Department personnel will be serving at the back-to-school event and will be referring people who can then travel conveniently up the street to the health department for same-day service. Other organizations will be present as well to provide information for the new school year. Most of these organizations will also be providing some back-to school supplies. School personnel will also be in attendance.

Local Health Department and Healthy Start staff volunteered to help fill the gap created from the loss of funding for a district back-to-school event. They are to be complemented for their efforts, as everyone is urged to stop by and enjoy the day's events.

The Madison Recreation Center is located on MLK (360A), adjacent to the southern side of the old middle school.

Meeting

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the LMS Draft Mitigation plan. For additional information, contact Emergency Management Director Vicki Brown by phone (850) 973-3698, or by e-mail at madisoncoem@embarqmail.com.

Sidewalks

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Emrich noted these areas were pointed out in previous residential inquiries that were made priority because they were along the Walking Tour, which is a current tourism activity. And while he emphasized his desire to address all sidewalk repairs if it were feasible, he regretfully noted the current budget simply doesn't have the level of funding necessary to do so.

"Last year was the first year we included a line item for sidewalks in the budget. It was a modest amount of \$12,000, but it was a beginning. Our staff has worked hard to stretch it as far as possible, using the funds almost exclusively for materials. All the labor has been performed by the Streets Department or inmate labor. Our guys did a great job splitting their time among numerous other responsibilities, including yard debris pick-up, street and curb repair, recycling pick-up and right of way maintenance," Emrich explained.

Besides the repairs along the walking tour, another priority area currently under repair is the two blocks that come together at Horry (between Macon and Bunker) and Macon (between and Horry and Washington). These two blocks possess extreme sidewalk damage, including massive crater-like breaks and elevated jagged edges that, created a hazard for pedestrians and wheelchairs.

The city manager escorted this reporter to the location, where Supervisor J.R. Olmsted and his crew were working. According to Olmsted, the materials being used in this repair would be \$5,000. He additionally praised his crew and the prison labor employed for keeping costs as low as possible.

The city manager shared the concerned citizen's desire to beatify the historic district, and especially the desire for all sidewalks to be safe. In fact, although still characterizing it as modest, the proposed budget he is currently bringing to the commission calls for a \$3,000 increase to \$15,000 for sidewalk repairs.

"I know Madison residents and business owners are disappointed when they hear the option to accelerate or increase sidewalk repairs is a budget and manpower issue. Sidewalk repair is a general fund item that competes with police and fire in the budget, among other services, which are also high priorities and the commissioners have made it clear that increasing taxes isn't an option," Emrich added.

Most of the sidewalks in Madison, especially those in the historic district, are all over 50 years old, making the need for repairs extensive throughout the community. One of the other options commonly mentioned is a grant, although here too, the choice is often a trade-off for essentials.

For example, one of the grants potentially available for these types of renovations is the Community Development Block Grant, or CDBG grant.

"Recently the city applied for a CDBG grant to repair or replace a wastewater lift station. A breakdown in this system could have catastrophic health consequences and costs, but we weren't approved. So, while the city is open to any suggestions and will pursue all directives laid down by the commission, money is extremely tight and current options are very limited," Emrich went on to say.

The city manager also expressed his desire to increase communication with all concerned citizens and emphasize his availability to discuss all issues.

"I hope residents or business owners will call me at 973-5081 or stop by anytime. I'm available to speak at meetings and hope the information and tour I provided today was helpful. I truly wish we had the resources to complete a city-wide sidewalk renovation, and we will continue to work it as much as resources allow," he concluded.

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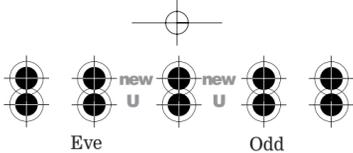
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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

August 15
LifeSong's Homecoming 2009 will be held at Yogi Bear's Jellystone Park in Madison on Saturday, August 15, at 7 p.m. This evening will be a live recording, and will feature the Bradys, LifeSong and Stephen Jones. Admission is free. A love offering will be received during the concert. For more information, call (850) 464-0114 or (904) 472-7865, or visit www.lifesongmusic.org.

August 15
An outreach ministry with free food, clothes, health screening and the Word of God will meet at the Greenville Park Pavilion in Haffye Hayes Park on August 15 at 10 a.m.

August 15
Excellence Dance Studio Inc. presents *King of the Grill* show-down and *Art on Wheel Exhibition*, Aug. 15, noon-4 p.m., Madison County Recreation Center, Hwy. 360A. For more information, call (850) 322-7673.

August 29
The Florida DEP's Stephen Foster Folk Culture Center State Park will host a Container Gardening Workshop on Saturday, Aug. 29. Participants will learn how to avoid many of the pests and diseases associated with summertime gardening in containers and explore warm weather flower and vegetable gardening. The class will cover proper grouping of plants, choosing the right container, selecting the right plants to grow for each season and touch on annuals, perennials and ferns. Bring your pruners and take home some cuttings. This is a hands-on workshop and fees are \$5 per workshop, including park admission. For additional information or to register for the workshops, please call (386) 397-1920 or visit www.stephenfosterCSO.org.

Tuesdays in August
Tuesdays in August at 1:30 p.m., TABE (Test of Adult Basic Education) will be given at NFCC Testing Center (Bldg. #16), in Madison, Florida. TABE is required for acceptance into vocational/technical programs. Photo ID is required. Pre-registration is required. To register please call 850/973-9451.

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Thursdays in August
Thursdays in August at 8:30 a.m. & 1:30 p.m. College Placement Test (CPT), NFCC Testing Center Bldg. #16), 8:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., Madison. Register in NFCC Student Services 24 hours before test. For information please call 850/973-9451.

September 4-6
The Madison High School Class of 1974 has its 35th reunion planned. The event will take place September 4-6, Labor Day weekend. Interested members need to respond ASAP to Shirley Johnson, 293 SW Georgiana Trail, Madison, FL 32340 or call (850) 973-2953 or (850) 973-3932 or Linda Bass at (850) 971-5873. Reunite with classmates online at www.myschoolreunited.com.

September 12
Seniors save on auto insurance. Florida requires all auto insurance companies give drivers 50 and older with a good driving record and that complete the AARP Driver Safety Program, a premium discount for three years. There will be a class at the Madison Ext. Bldg. on Saturday, Sept. 12, at 9 a.m. Call (850) 843-0092 to reserve a seat.

Thursdays
Redemptive Recovery Classes/Support Group is held every Thursday in the old First Baptist Church sanctuary, and is for addicts who are seeking to recover and need help. The class is free, and starts at 7 p.m. For more information, please call (850) 464-9022.

Thursdays-Mondays
The Florida DEP's Stephen Foster Folk Culture Center State Park will host an ongoing wood carving workshop on Thursdays through Mondays, from noon until 4 p.m. Participants can create figure carvings, wood spirits, spoons, bowls, relief carvings and more during this four-hour class. Workshop fees are \$15 per session and include

park admission. For additional information or to register for the workshops, please call (386) 397-1920 or visit www.stephenfosterCSO.org.

Each Weekday Except Tuesday
The Senior Citizens Center offers computer classes to seniors 60 and older each weekday except Tuesday. For more information or to sign up, please call (850) 973-4241. A regular instructor is needed to teach these classes. Interested individuals should ask to speak with Sharon concerning the opening at the number above.

Every Tuesday-Saturday
The Diamonds in the Ruff Adoption Program at the Suwannee Valley Humane Society is open every Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. It is located on 1156 SE Bisbee Loop, Madison, FL 32340. For more information, or directions, call (866) 236-7812 or (850) 971-9904.

First Saturday of Each Month
Everyone is invited to gospel (open mic) sings at Lee Worship Center the first Saturday night of each month, beginning at 7 p.m. The church is located at 397 Magnolia Dr. in Lee. Everyone is asked to bring a dish for the pot luck supper. There will be great musicians, so those who can play an instrument are wel-

come to come and join in. Bring a friend with you. For more information, call Allen McCormick at (850) 673-9481.

Second and Fourth Saturday of Each Month
The Madison Church of God hosts a free soup kitchen the second and fourth Saturday of each month at the Greenville Senior Citizens Center. Lunch is served from noon to 1 p.m.

Third Tuesday of Each Month
The Greater Greenville Area Diabetes Support Group is a free educational service and support for diabetes and those wanting to prevent diabetes. The group meets the third Tuesday of each month at the Greenville Public Library Conference Room at 312 SW Church St., Greenville, 11-11:30 a.m. Everyone is welcome!

Every Wednesday and Friday
The Senior Citizens Center's sewing club for seniors 60 and older meets every Wednesday and Friday. For more information or to sign up, please call (850) 973-4241.

Third Wednesday of Each Month
The Madison County Health Education Club is holding a free educational service and support group for people interested in preventing or controlling diabetes,

high blood pressure, elevated cholesterol levels, obesity and other chronic health conditions. The club meets the third Wednesday of each month at the Madison Public Library Conference Room at 378 NW College Loop, Madison, 12:15-12:45 p.m. Everyone is welcome to bring their own lunch.

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The Madison County Diabetes Support Group is a free educational service and support group for diabetes and those wanting to prevent diabetes. The group meets the third Wednesday of each month at the Madison Public Library Conference Room at 378 NW College Loop, Madison, 11:45 a.m.-12:10 p.m. Everyone is welcome to bring their own lunch. For details, contact Marcia Kazmierski at (386) 752-2461 or Lorraine Miller at (386) 752-6439.

Fourth Wednesday of Each Month
An informational meeting for those injured and needing help returning to work will be held the fourth Wednesday of each month from 12-3 p.m. at the Madison County Extension Office located at 184 College Loop, Madison. The meeting is free and open to the public. For more information, please call (850) 245-3489.

Fourth Tuesday of Each Month
Big Bend Hospice's adult Grief Support Group meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month at the Madison County Senior Center, located at 4886 SW Rutledge. The group is open to anyone in the community who has experienced the death of someone in their life. The support groups are a free community service. For more information, please call Casey Shaffer at 566-6189.

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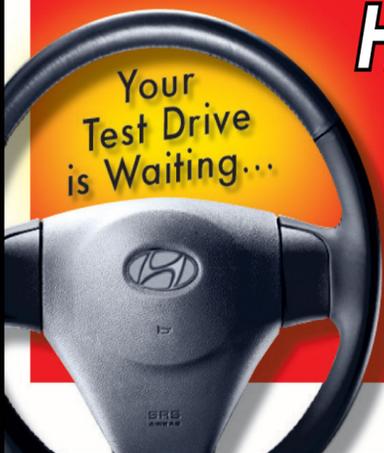
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AROUND MADISON COUNTY

Humane Society Praises Volunteers

By Michael Curtis
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The Suwannee Valley Humane Society has an exceptional record of care for its animals. More amazing than that, however, is that volunteers run the entire facility.

Located at 1156 S.E. Bisbee Loop in Lee, the shelter

volunteers who walk and play with them. I truly can't say enough for all they do."

As a "no-kill" shelter (only exceptions are medical and behavioral) set up on 21 acres, animals often stay at the shelter for extended periods of time, just like Sissy and Morris. Puppies and kittens are luckier, usually finding homes more quickly. Of course, shots and

checkups are performed regularly, and for those who don't get adopted, there is a lovely cemetery for them.

Another valuable service available through the Humane Society is a \$25 voucher to spay or neuter cats and dogs at participating vets in the area. The program is funded by a grant from the "Florida Animal Friend" license plate program.

Locally, call (850) 971-9904, or toll-free (866) 236-7812, for voucher details or to arrange a visit, or perhaps to adopt a new loving member to the family.

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Youth volunteers, many students at Lee Elementary School, help out at the animal shelter over the summer. They were a huge hit with all the cats and dogs that appreciated the extra rubs and hugs. Pictured sitting left to right: Emma Grosskopf, Chastin Dickinson and Brandon McCool. Standing, left to right: Barbara Tippy and Hope Candy.

is home to 78 animals, divided equally among cats and dogs. Some are long-term residents, like "Sissy," a tabby cat that would love to move to a nice home, although the affection and care she has received over the past six years has been wonderful.

"They treat me purrrr-fectly," she could be heard saying. One of Sissy's old friends, Morris, a shepherd mix who has lived at the shelter for over five years, was recently adopted, and other well-behaved adult pets are available to those willing to give them care.

This same care is exactly what each animal receives from a staff of volunteers and helpers who treat them as though they were their own. Animal Care and Shelter Coordinator Barbara Tippy, herself a volunteer, expressed tremendous praise for the adult and youth who have made the facility one of the best in the region.

"The staff of volunteers that work here are incredible. We couldn't do it without them. We are supported exclusively by donations and the proceeds from our two thrift stores and our plant shop - all of which are run by volunteers as well," Tippy said. "During the summer, the animals have received an extra treat from our youth



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Shirley Tegra grows and sells plants from a shop located adjacent to the Suwannee Valley Humane Society in Lee, with all proceeds going to support the shelter.



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The volunteers at the Suwannee Valley Humane Society are dedicated to making sure every animal finds a home, and is treated like family until they do. Pictured sitting left to right: Marge Hutchinson and Barbara Tippy. Standing front, left to right: Jennifer Johnson, Molly Maguire, Candy Mosher and Lexie Soles. Standing back, left to right: Mike Mosher and Nakia Sherwood.

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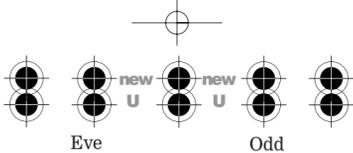
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Madison High School Graduate Leads Air Force Cyber Security Education And Research

Dr. Richard A. Raines, a 1976 graduate of Madison High School, is the Director of the Air Force's Cyberspace Technical Center of Excellence, located at Wright Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio. His duties are to facilitate and ensure the advancements of cyberspace technical capabilities and resources for the Air Force and Dr. Raines is a retired Air Force officer, serving over 21 years of combined active duty in the Army and Air Force. His background includes technical assignments in Germany as a radar and computer analyst, as well as systems engineer for the procurement of Air Combat Maneuvering Instrumentation (ACMI) systems. Since 1994, he has been assigned to the Air Force Institute of Technology, where he has served in numerous educational and research capacities.

In 2002, he founded the Air Force Center for Cyberspace Research (CCR). Under his direction, the CCR has become the Department of Defense lead for cyberspace education and research. The CCR has received national designation/recognition as a Center of Excellence from the Department of Homeland Security, the National Security Agency, and the National Science Foundation. In addition to his role as Director of the Air Force center, he currently serves as a Department of Defense Force Transformation Chair, responsible for the development of cyber professionals

and capabilities. He also holds the highest academic distinction of Professor of Electrical Engineering, recognized for sustained and outstanding scholarship and contributions to the engineering profession.

Dr. Raines leads a team of 22 researchers dedicated to the development, design and implementation of cutting-edge technologies for the defense and protection of our national cyber infrastructure. His team annually produces between 40-50 research efforts, which transition to the Department of Defense for further development and deployment to the warfighter.

Dr. Raines received his formal education from Florida State University (Bachelor's degree in Electrical Engineering (with distinction); the Air Force Institute of Technology (Master's degree in Computer Engineering); and Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (doctorate degree in Electrical Engineering). He is a Senior Member of the Institute for Electronic and Electrical Engineers (IEEE) and serves on numerous advisory panels across the Department of Defense and Federal Government. He has led and performed research on communication systems vulnerabilities such as the Iridium satellite communication system and for the Presidential Airlift Squadron. In 2007, he was elected to

the national Hall of Fame for Electronic Warfare and Information Operations (AOC) for his contributions to the advancements of these technologies. In 2008, Dr. Raines was named the Air Force Science and Engineering Educator of the Year. He is an accomplished speaker and author, having provided over 100 talks internationally on communication theory and cyber security and has written

and presented over 150 articles at international conferences and technical journals on communication systems and security.

Dr. Raines is married to the former Helen Wilson of Madison. They have two children, Garrett of Indianapolis, Ind., and Kelley of Athens, Ohio.

Dr. Raines is the son of Bill and Pat Raines of Madison.



Photo submitted

Richard A. Raines, left, is pictured with Michael Wynne, Secretary of the Air Force. Raines leads Cyber Security Education and Research for the United States Air Force.

Thank You

A year ago today, our family suffered a great loss. Marjell - Daddy - PaPa - left us and we want to give heartfelt thanks again to family and friends, churches and ministers, community and medical personnel, Hospice in its entirety - Dr. Schindler and staff, and to all others who had a part in his life and death. In the long difficult time since retiring in 1986 for health reasons and especially his last year of being unable to do the things he loved, he seldom "grumbled, murmured or complained."

He touched us all in so many

ways and left the world a better place. He loved God, talked about Him and never failed to give Him thanks in all his stories. What a way with words he had and what a great storyteller he was.

We felt surrounded by much love, care, concern, prayers though often not aware of the hearts and hands that gave. We appreciate all the calls, cards, food, flowers, Gideon Bibles, money, yard work.

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By Jacob Bemby
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Christine is married to David Walker, from Pinetta. The couple has two children, Daniel and Katie, who are students at Pinetta Elementary School. She also has a daughter from a



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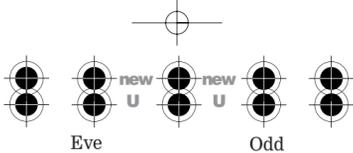
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AROUND MADISON COUNTY

Learning Center Searching For Computer Instructor

By Bryant Thigpen
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The Madison/Greenville Learning Center in Greenville is currently searching for a computer instructor who would be interested in volunteering his time to teach computer classes. The classes will be scheduled based upon the instructor's availability.



The purpose of the Learning Center is to help the local youth in the county, hopefully

keeping them off the streets, and helping youth, adults are also welcome to participate in the classes.

"We have a lot going on," stated Otis Norton, owner of the Learning Center. The center currently hosts a GED prep course every Saturday from 9-11 a.m., and is currently working on different projects that will allow the center to offer more to the community.

If anyone is interested in volunteering, please call (850) 997-5683 or (850) 508-3566.



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Shekinah is based out of Madison and is composed of (left to right) Phillip Holbrook, Dan Campbell, Liane Wakefield, Tom Fico and Marcus Holbrook.

U-Pick Brings Different Approach To Farming

By Bryant Thigpen
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In a world where everything is instant, gardening and farming on a low scale basis is becoming a thing of the past. Many people who are 60 years of age or older fondly remember growing up on a farm. Because of physical ailments, it's hard for them to plant and grow a garden, but there's still a way for them to pick their own vegetables and fruit. U-Pick farms take care of the planting and nurturing, but the customer benefits from the joys of reaping the harvest. U-pick farms have a lot to offer its customers.

Blueberries U-Pick is typically open May through August. This company allows citizens to pick as many fresh blueberries as the customer would like. This U-Pick farm is located at 332 NE Chamomile Way in Madison.

Tanya's U-Pick is located at SE Gunpowder Avenue in Madison and has a variety to pick from. Their prod-

ucts include strawberries, sweet corn, onions, tomatoes, squash, melons, peppers, peas, beans, okra and sweet potatoes. This farm is open year-round.

Tuten's U-Pick offers a wide variety of things to choose from, such as tomatoes, egg plant, peppers, squash, watermelon, cantaloupe, peas, corn and sweet potatoes. Tuten's is open from October until the end of November for the fall season, and May and June for the spring. Locally owned by Timmy and Mickey Tuten and Jim Doner, Tuten's has been serving the people of Madison for 15 plus years.

Before visiting U-Pick farms, please call to confirm dates of operation, as well as the availability of the products.

When visiting the farm, remember to dress in clothes that are comfortable and one wouldn't mind getting dirty. Some farms may require one to bring his/herr own containers. Support local farmers.

Local Merchants To Hold Country Jamboree

By Bryant Thigpen
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Businesses in downtown Madison are teaming up to host the Country Jamboree on the South side of the Country Store in downtown Madison. The event will be held on Friday, August 28, from 6-9 p.m.

This event is sponsored by the Spaghetti House, Ashlyn's Rose Petal Florist, Granny's This-N-That and the Country Store, in an effort to remind the citizens of businesses located downtown. The effort is supported by the Madison County Chamber of Commerce and Tourism.

To kick off the evening is a new group in the world of gospel

music, LifeSong signed with Lamp Music Group in the summer of 2009, and recently released their latest project, *Brand New Start*. The group is composed of three young guys: Ethan Brooks (age 17), Bryant Thigpen (age 21) and Steven Gunter (age 26).

One of gospel music's most exciting groups, Shekinah, will take the stage next. From Madison, Shekinah travels with a four-piece band and deliver God's word in the style of southern gospel music. Shekinah is composed of Phillip Holbrook, Marcus Holbrook, Liane Wakefield, Dan Campbell and Tom Fico.

Elvis tribute artist

the *GaddisGirls* will then entertain the crowd. The girls, Kambrie (age 12) and Kelsie (age 9) are from the state of North Carolina and have been dancing and entertaining since the age of three. The girls have had the privilege of performing at Graceland Crossing, as well as other Elvis entertainment events.

The event will be held outdoors, so please bring lawn chairs. There is no cost for admission, however a love offering will be received during the concert.

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BRIDAL GUIDE

Double Weddings: Twice As Nice, Or Double Trouble?

By Jason Hennessey

Figure this out; you have a grand double wedding with your longtime pal. Double weddings can bring double excitement while at the same time keeping the budget at its best. If you happen to have a cousin, a brother, a sister or a close friend who by instance is marrying at the same time as you, you can plan a double wedding to share the expenses that come with the hosting of this special event. Instead of putting up two small wedding ceremonies, you can combine more resources available for one grand event. A joint wedding with a relative who is marrying at the same time as you can give your attendees and the family a blessed union ceremony. Guests who are from far don't have to travel twice almost at the same time to attend both weddings. At the same point, the conflict of whose wedding is to be first is not likely to erupt. However, for you to have a successful joint wedding you need to plan it adequately. Else, the double wedding may in the end turn double trouble.

First, while preparing wedding invitations ensure that the names of both couples are in the invitations so as not to cause bolt from the blue when they find it late that they are attending a double wedding. If you are in a joint wedding with your sister or brother, the elder sister or brother can be listed first in the invitations. For instance, an invitation line would go like; we are glad to request

your presence in a wedding ceremony of Jenny Bill to Joseph James and Jane Williams to Michael Smith. The other parts of the invitation may need not change from the standard format.

when you say "I do" to your friend's groom.

Mini-weddings have been popularly practiced as an alternative to the double weddings. Some couples have preferred to have the mini-weddings so as to have each bride get her moment of spotlight. Compared to joint weddings, mini-weddings can be tiresome and seemingly long. Double weddings can be successfully by blending the color schemes, order of events and the theme without losing any of the person's individuality. It is possible for each bride to show her own style, and the style to her bridesmaids. However, it would be brilliant to keep everything harmonious. For example, you can choose the right color shade combinations that are likely to go well with each other. A successful double wedding requires working together to bring out that atmosphere of love.



There is always a slight difference in the arrangement of a double wedding ceremony since the two couples will follow the routine each at a time. Each couple will in turn take the vow or light the unity candle one after the other. This can be confusing to the couples. The best way to prepare is to do practice and more practice so as when the d-day comes, there will be no disorder. Making a prior practice will ensure that things are responded to appropriately and everything runs smoothly. You don't want to be a price of the wrong man

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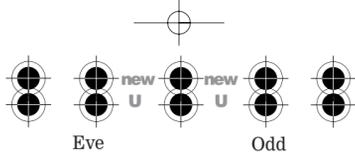
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HEALTH & NUTRITION

Easy Tips To Elevate Your Walk To A Workout

When it comes to keeping fit, walking is more than a step in the right direction

(NAPSI) There's an easy way to shape up that's accessible, affordable and can accommodate even the busiest of schedules—it's walking. No wonder it's the No. 1 fitness activity for adults. And with the simple addition of a few fitness goals and a pedometer, you have everything you need to elevate your walk to a workout.

Walk It Out

Many people don't realize the walking they already do each day is a positive step to help them get fit. In fact, studies at the Stanford School of Medicine have uncovered a long list of benefits from walking, including reduced body fat, lowered cholesterol and blood pressure as well as increased flexibility and mental well-being. It's widely recommended that adults take 10,000 steps a day, the

equivalent of about five miles, which can be achieved by walking 30 to 60 minutes at one time or in multiple 10-minute increments over the course of the day.

Walking is also a key component to many fitness plans, including that of trainer-to-the-stars Ramona Braganza, who's helped shape some of the hottest bodies in Hollywood, from Jessica Alba to Halle Berry. "For me, being fit is a lifestyle. I'd be bored just going to the gym every day. That's why I always recommend walking to my clients as a great form of exercise," Braganza said. "Adding a few easy things into your daily routine can help you make sure that every step counts."

A Passion for Pedometers

One of Braganza's favorite fitness tools is a pedometer, which can keep track of the steps you're taking and give you a benchmark for measuring progress. Stanford School of Medicine research also shows using a pedometer can increase physical activity by about 2,000 steps—or an extra mile—each day, proving it's also a great motivational tool that can push you to go further.

Further Your Finish Line

"I arm all of my clients with a pedometer to ensure they're still held accountable, even when I'm not there," Braganza said. "It's like having a personal trainer in their pocket that keeps pushing them to go further."

Braganza recommends the GOsmart Pocket Pedometer from Omron, which features smart sensor technology, making it one of the most accurate pedometers available. Using smart sen-

sors, it can count steps whether it's clipped at your hip, buried in your pocket or even attached to your bag, and since there are no moving parts, there's no annoying clicking sound. Trusted for its accuracy, this line of pedometers lets you track steps taken, calories burned and distance walked. Coupled with a seven-day memory, it provides what you need to chart progress, compare to your goals and manage your shape-up strategy.

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Braganza's other get-fit tips include:

- **Warm Up First.** Before you walk, perform some dynamic stretching exercises (arm circles, hip circles and leg lifts) to get your blood flowing and reduce the risk of injury. Always wear comfortable shoes, preferably ones with arch support.

- **Mix It Up.** Add variety to your walking program, especially if your personal fitness goal includes weight loss. Try alternating intervals of fast walking with intervals at a slower pace. Walking up hills is also great for a challenge.

- **Add Cardio.** Include some upper body exercises as you walk, such as arm reaches overhead or to the sides, to add another dimension to your walk and increase calorie burn. Hold small water bottles while you do the exercises for added resistance.

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Legislation To Help Families Protect Health

New legislation introduced in Congress would let parents use pretax dollars to help pay for an increasingly common investment in their families' health: cord blood banking for their newborn.

Called the Family Cord Blood Banking Act, the legislation would amend the current tax laws to allow individuals and couples to use money saved in flexible spending accounts (FSAs), health savings accounts (HSAs), health reimbursement arrangements (HRAs) or the medical expenses tax deduction to pay for umbilical cord blood banking.

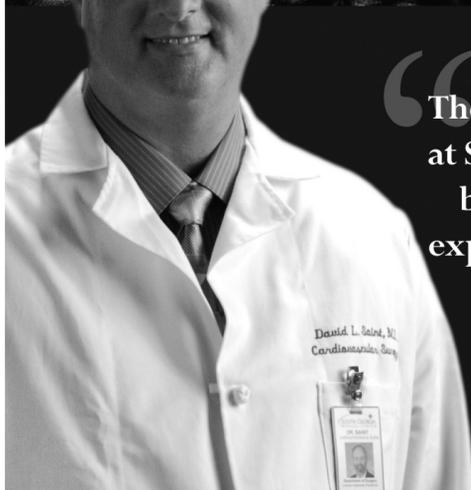
A growing number of parents are making the choice to save their newborn's umbilical cord blood, which is a rich source of noncontroversial stem cells. Saving these cells in a cord blood bank ensures that they will be available for the child or

another genetically matched family member if needed to treat disease or injury. Cord blood stem cells are currently used to treat more than 70 chronic or life-threatening diseases and researchers are studying their potential to treat even more conditions that affect millions of Americans, including brain injury and type 1 diabetes.

Because many studies involving cord blood require children to have access to their own stem cells, the legislation could have an important effect on advances in science and medicine. By making it easier for families to bank their cord blood, the bill could accelerate the timetable for new research involving cord blood stem cells.

Parents who believe cord blood preservation should be an option through a health savings plan should contact their congressional representatives to urge support for the Family Cord Blood Banking Act. For information on how to communicate with Congress, visit the U.S. House of Representatives at <https://writerep.house.gov/writerep/welcome.shtml> or call (202) 225-0100.

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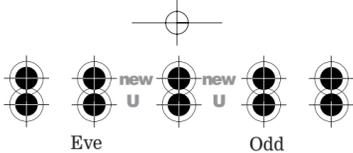
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MONEY & FINANCE

Savings Rate Approaching Modern History Highs

By Michael Curtis
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Few people find the topic of economics interesting enough for picnic conversation, although almost every adult with a job – or looking for a job – is interested in the economy, locally in Madison County and throughout America. As more and more people look to calm their worries, however, they want explanations. They want the answer to questions like, "What will it take to turn the economy around?" "Can all this stimulus spending possibly turn out okay?" or "Who's going to pay for all this?"

Unfortunately, there are no short or simple answers, but there is a question that might suggest how to approach the issue – "How do you eat an elephant?" Of course, the answer is, "One bite at a time."

So, here's the first bite. The savings rate in the United States, especially compared to nations like Germany or France, has been exceptionally low in modern times. American savings behavior has mostly given way to its spending behavior, with Americans putting aside little in savings compared to the enormous consumer debt load they carry.

For instance, in the noted countries of Germany and France, the savings rate has remained at or above 10 percent for several decades. Over that same period, U.S. savings rates have plummeted from over ten percent to less than one percent going into 2008. There was even one point in 2005 when the rate measured negative. That trend has now changed.

According to government reports, the U.S. Savings rate surged to 6.9 per-

cent through May 2009, the highest it's been in over 15 years. And while common sense would suggest this move is simply a natural response to economic uncertainty, several side effects of the

Those maxed out credit cards represent and lot of goods and services, and with nothing to replace those dollars, America's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) will fall, which is the official

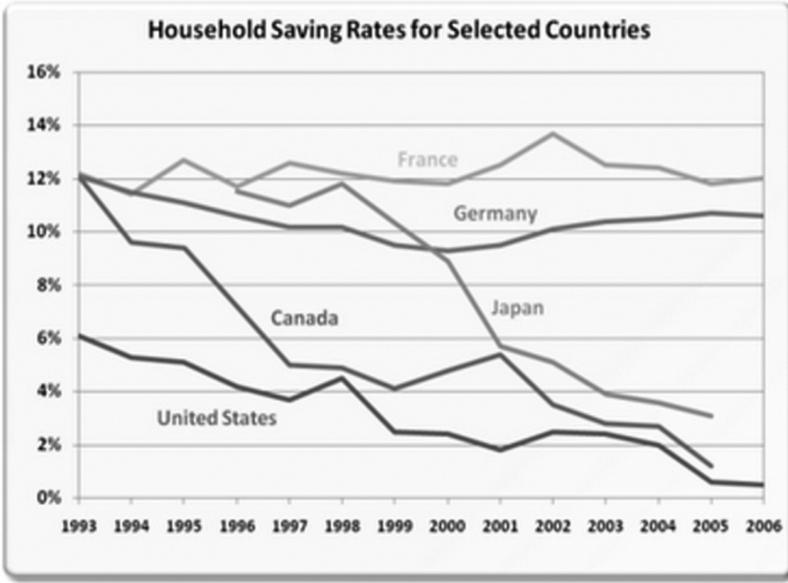
tainly do not view government as a suitable private business partner.

For consumer spending and gross investment to return will, among other variables, require a pool of private capital. The amount of lending that banks can extend is a ratio of their reserve base, for example, which is directly tied to the amount of savings they possess.

In other words, this surge in American savings not only represents good personal money management, it also creates a massive source of funds for business investment. As investment grows and the economy recovers, it is also a source of cash for consumers to use for purchases. Both of these actions will have a positive impact on GDP, which will then allow government spending to decrease. Additionally, the growth will create increased tax revenues, which can also be used to pay down the stimulus debt, at least that is what the equation shows.

The growth of – actually the return to – increased savings rates in America will be very positive for the economy, assuming the government can successfully unwind itself as it claims it will. Many believe that is an unlikely assumption, which will be the topic of Madison Money – Part 2: Government and the economy.

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The shift from consumer spending to savings sounds great to any grandfather who has tried to get his fast-spending children to save for the future, and it is. Economically, it isn't all good news immediately though, as consumer spending accounts for approximately 70 percent of the American economy. In fact, this component has fallen off the shelf in the last year. But again, savings is a good personal practice, right? It's better to save than to spend what one doesn't have, right?

In the short run, a sharp decrease in consumer spending will hurt.

measure that determines recessions and depressions, as well as booming economies.

Whether politically favorable or not, the current government spending explosion – also a component of GDP – has kept the numbers propped up to the point some economists are declaring the recession almost over. Until consumer spending and private business investment comes back, however, many remain skeptical, as they cer-

tainly do not view government as a suitable private business partner.

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Financial Focus...

Review Financial Strategies after Life Events

Provided by Brad Bashaw, Edward Jones

If nothing ever changed in your life, you could probably chart your financial and investment strategies and then forget about them. But your life is full of changes – and many of them will require you to take a new look at how you save, invest and protect your family.

Let's run through some of the most common milestones in life and see what sort of moves you might make in response:

- **Marriage** — It sounds obvious, but once you're married, you have to stop thinking in terms of "one" and start thinking of "two" in most aspects of your life — including your finances. For example, if you are an aggressive investor but your spouse is more conservative, you both may need to compromise and choose an investment strategy that's "down the middle." At the same time, you'll want to set some common goals, such as saving enough for a down payment on a home.
- **Children** — When you have children, you have to protect them today — and invest for their future. Your first step, then, might be to purchase life insurance. You can typically buy a term life policy at very reasonable rates. The exact amount of coverage you need depends on your individual situation, but you'll probably want at least enough to pay off your mortgage and send your children to college should anything happen to you. And to protect your income, you might want to consider disability insurance. Finally, it's never too soon to start saving for college. You might want to consider opening a tax-advantaged account, such as a Section 529 college savings plan.
- **Job changes** — When you leave a job, you may well have an important decision to make about your 401(k) or other employer-sponsored retirement plan. If you don't need the money right away, you might want to avoid cashing out your plan, because you'll likely face an immediate tax bill — and you'll have fewer resources for retirement. Consequently, you may want to roll your 401(k) to an IRA or your new employer's plan, if it allows such transfers. Before taking action, consult with your tax advisor.
- **Remarriage** — If you ever remarry, you may need to change the beneficiary designations on your 401(k), IRA and other investment accounts. You also may need to work with your attorney to revise your will, living trust and other documents related to your estate plans.
- **Retirement** — For many decades, you saved and invested for your retirement. Once you retire, however, you should move away somewhat from the "accumulation" phase and start thinking instead of how best to manage the money you have accumulated. That means you'll need to decide when to start taking Social Security and how much to withdraw each year from your various retirement accounts, such as your 401(k) and IRA. A professional financial advisor can help you develop a withdrawal rate that's suitable for your individual situation.

You'll encounter many important events on the road of life. By making the right financial moves along the way, you can help make the journey more pleasant.

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(NAPSI)-Having affordable insurance in place could help Americans who have lost their jobs protect their families' financial well-being.

However, a recent survey found that only 18 percent of respondents believed they would be able to afford their insurance for more than six months following a layoff. The number drops to 14 percent when looking at respondents under the age of 45. Industry analysts say the findings point to an immediate need for alternate insurance programs.

The survey questioned more than 1,000 adults to determine the threat to Americans from limited access to affordable insurance in light of the current economic conditions. It was conducted by Affinion Group, a leading marketer of insurance services. Other findings include:

At Risk of Being Uninsured

When asked how long they believed they would have access to affordable

insurance, more than 50 percent of the respondents either believed that they would have access for less than six months or didn't know how long they would have access to affordable insurance after losing a job.

Accidents Are Costly

Nearly half of respondents, 45 percent, believed that an out-of-pocket cost of as little as \$500 would have a "severe" impact on their financial stability. This is problematic given that the average cost of hospitalization is \$560, according to the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality.

Smart Solutions

It seems people recognize the value of life insurance but may not understand all their options. More than half of respondents were either "concerned" or "extremely concerned" that their loved ones would be financially vulnerable in the event of an accident or the death of the respondent. But many did not understand the cost savings an Accidental Death and Dismemberment (AD&D) plan might offer.

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Wealth News

July 2009

Information from Madison County Community Bank and SPFF* to help keep your financial life in balance

Consumer Sense

Rethinking Retirement

You did everything right. You planned for your retirement by properly diversifying your investment portfolio, and even scrimped in order to maximize contributions to your retirement plans. However, after a year of some of the biggest stock losses since the Great Depression, you might be wondering whether your shrunken nest egg will be enough to carry you through retirement. Before drawing any premature conclusions, it's important that you first take charge of your situation by asking and answering these four critical questions.

Where do I currently stand?

Take inventory of where your retirement accounts are held and how they're invested. These would include IRA's, employer sponsored accounts (401k's, etc.) and other accounts earmarked for retirement. Although it might be disconcerting, gather up your latest statements from these accounts and total how much they're worth. The losses may seem astonishing but do not let that discourage you. Understanding where things stand

Source: www.ssa.gov

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today will help you determine how much you will need to save for your future.

Can I get help with understanding my situation?

With all of the economic tumult of the past year, a thorough review of your financial plan should be considered mandatory. Whether with the advisor who helped you put together your plan prior to the market downturn or another advisor who might be a better fit, it's important to tap into the knowledge and experience of a financial professional who will take the time to understand your goals and speak to you directly and realistically about where you stand and what you should expect going forward. He or she may be able to help you in simplifying your financial life without reducing your retirement goals.

Should I plan on receiving Social Security benefits?

If you have not already done so, you

may want to become familiar with your Social Security benefits options as part of your overall income strategy. In order to help maximize your social security income, pay special attention to the date when you begin withdrawing Social Security benefits. According to the Social Security Administration, lifetime income benefits will generally be higher the longer you wait to take your first withdrawal. For more information on your benefits as well as information on income planning tools, visit the Social Security website (<http://www.ssa.gov>).

Get Help from our financial professionals

Our financial professionals can help you determine the financial path to follow in pursuit of your near- and long-term financial goals. We will work with you to identify and understand your investment goals and then develop a well structured investment plan.

Interested in Learning More?

I specialize in helping people maintain a healthy financial balance and discover smart money strategies. Call me to set an appointment to review your investment objectives, and to discuss any questions you might have. I look forward to speaking with you!

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LEGALS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR MADISON COUNTY, FLORIDA. WILLIAM L. SULLIVAN Post Office Box 729 Madison, Florida 32341 Plaintiff, vs. FORECLOSURE AND OTHER RELIEF CAROLYN F. McMILLIAN 247 City View Drive Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33311 Defendant. NOTICE OF JUDICIAL SALE PURSUANT TO SECTION 45.031(1), FLORIDA STATUTES TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN; NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on July 29, 2009 in the above styled action, I, Tim Sanders, Clerk of the Court, will sell at public sale the following described real property: A PARCEL OF LAND LYING IN SECTION 1, TOWNSHIP 2 NORTH, RANGE 10 EAST, MADISON COUNTY, FLORIDA AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 1, AND RUN SOUTH 00 DEGREES 06 MINUTES 49 SECONDS WEST A DISTANCE OF 3,273.86 FEET; THENCE NORTH 90 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 2,215.16 FEET; TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING RUN SOUTH 00 DEGREES 33 MINUTES 10 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 1,964.01 FEET; TO THE NORTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY OF NE BELLVILLE ROAD; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 22 MINUTES 30 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID RIGHT OF WAY, A DISTANCE OF 30.00 FEET; THENCE LEAVING SAID RIGHT OF WAY RUN NORTH 00 DEGREES 33 MINUTES 10 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 1,055.55 FEET; THENCE NORTH 90 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 417.99 FEET; THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 26 MINUTES 55 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 908.11 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 90 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 449.64 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING CONTAINING 10.08 ACRES, MORE LESS. PROPERTY ID NO. 01-2N-10-5802-0BH-018 The sale will be held on August 27, 2009, at 11:00 a.m., to the highest and best bidder for cash, at the West door of the Madison County Courthouse in Madison, Florida, in accordance with Section 45.031, Florida Statutes. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the owner of the above-described property as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. 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 Sondra Williams, Court Administrator, Post Office Box 1569, Lake City, Florida 32056, telephone:(386)758-2163, within 2 working days of your receipt of this notice; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. Dated: July 30, 2009. Tim Sanders As Clerk of the Court BY: /s/ Ramona Dickinson As Deputy Clerk 8/5, 8/12

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR MADISON COUNTY, FLORIDA. WILLIAM L. SULLIVAN Post Office Box 729 Madison, Florida 32341 Plaintiff, vs. FORECLOSURE AND OTHER RELIEF EVANS FENELON 21391 Town Lakes Drive, Apt. 127 Boca Raton, Florida 33486 EDENSWEAR CARRE 75 Tower Hill Street Lawrence, MA. 01841 Defendants. NOTICE OF JUDICIAL SALE PURSUANT TO SECTION 45.031(1), FLORIDA STATUTES TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN; NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on the July 29, 2009 in the above styled action, I, Tim Sanders, Clerk of the Court, will sell at public sale the following described real property: A PARCEL OF LAND LYING IN SECTION 1, TOWNSHIP 2 NORTH, RANGE 10 EAST, MADISON COUNTY, FLORIDA AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 1, AND RUN SOUTH 00 DEGREES 06 MINUTES 49 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 1,383.66 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING CONTINUE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 06 MINUTES 49 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 465.01 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 30 MINUTES 58 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 1,996.44 FEET TO THE EASTERLY RIGHT OF WAY OF NE HICKORY GROVE ROAD; THENCE NORTH 16 DEGREES 19 MINUTES 08 SECONDS EAST ALONG SAID RIGHT OF WAY, A DISTANCE OF 31.18 FEET; THENCE LEAVING SAID RIGHT OF WAY RUN SOUTH 89 DEGREES 30 MINUTES 58 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 1,043.25 FEET; THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 435.02 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 30 MINUTES 58 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 945.36 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING CONTAINING 10.81 ACRES, MORE OR LESS. LESS AND EXCEPT: RIGHT OF WAY FOR COUNTY ROAD PROPERTY APPRAISER'S ID #01-2N-10-5802-0BH-003 The sale will be held on August 27, 2009, at 11:00 a.m., to the highest and best bidder for cash, at the West door of the Madison County Courthouse in Madison, Florida, in accordance with Section 45.031, Florida Statutes. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the owner of the above-described property as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. 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 Sondra Williams, Court Administrator, Post Office Box 1569, Lake City, Florida 32056, telephone:(386)758-2163, within 2 working days of your receipt of this notice; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. Dated: July 30, 2009. Tim Sanders As Clerk of the Court BY: /s/ Ramona Dickinson As Deputy Clerk 8/5, 8/12

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR MADISON COUNTY, FLORIDA THOMAS J. BEGGS, IV, CASE NO. 2009-261-CA Plaintiff, vs. ENANTE DELHOMME, individually, Defendant. NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Default Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated July 29, 2009, in the above referenced case in which THOMAS J. BEGGS, IV is Plaintiff, and ENANTE DELHOMME is Defendant, I TIM SANDERS, Clerk of the Court, will sell the highest and best bidder for cash on the front steps of the West door of the Madison County Courthouse in Madison, Florida, at 11:00 AM (or as soon thereafter as practicable), on the 27th day of August, 2009, the following described property set forth in the Default Final Judgment of Foreclosure: Description: OH 10 Parcel ID: 15-2N-10-5965-010-000 A portion of Section 15, Township 2 North, Range 10 East, being more particularly described as follows: Commence at a concrete monument marking the northeast corner of said Section 15; thence South 00°09'21" West along the east line of said Section 15 a distance of 1321.10 feet to a concrete monument marking the northeast corner of the South Half (S 1/2) of the Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4) of said Section 15; thence North 89°50'02" West along the north line of said S 1/2 of NE 1/4 a distance of 2646.43 feet to a rebar marking the northwest corner of said S 1/2 of NE 1/4; thence South 00°15'42" West along the west line of said S 1/2 of NE 1/4 a distance of 989.02 feet to the northwest corner and POINT OF BEGINNING of the following described parcel; thence South 89°44'18" East a distance of 662.70 feet; thence South 00°15'42" West a distance of 333.86 feet to the centerline of a 60 foot easement; thence North 89°44'18" West along said centerline a distance of 662.70 feet to said west line of S 1/2 of NE 1/4; thence North 00°15'42" East along said west line a distance of 333.86 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING. Density exception: 03-23-B Containing 5.08 acres, more or less. SUBJECT TO THE ARTICLES OF THE ASSOCIATION OF THE OAK HILLS PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION; RESTRICTIONS AND PROTECTIVE COVENANTS FOR OAK HILLS (an unrecorded subdivision in Madison County, Florida) as more particularly described in the Official Records of Madison County, Florida, including OR Book 705 Page 94, and OR Book 705 Page 96. ALSO SUBJECT TO that easement for utilities granted to Tri County Electric Corporation and recorded in OR Book 708 Pages 199 to 203 of the public records of Madison County, Florida. ALSO SUBJECT TO existing county graded road rights-of-way. ALSO SUBJECT TO a 60 foot easement for ingress and egress as recorded in OR Book 673, Page 140 of the public records of Madison County, Florida. Together with all structures, improvements, fixtures, appliances, and appurtenances on said property or used in conjunction therewith. 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Density exception: 03-24-B Containing 5.08 acres, more or less. SUBJECT TO THE ARTICLES OF THE ASSOCIATION OF THE OAK HILLS PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION; RESTRICTIONS AND PROTECTIVE COVENANTS FOR OAK HILLS (an unrecorded subdivision in Madison County, Florida) as more particularly described in the Official Records of Madison County, Florida, including OR Book 705 Page 94, and OR Book 705 Page 96. ALSO SUBJECT TO that easement for utilities granted to Tri County Electric Corporation and recorded in OR Book 708 Pages 199 to 203 of the public records of Madison County, Florida. ALSO SUBJECT TO existing county graded road rights-of-way. ALSO SUBJECT TO a 60 foot easement for ingress and egress as recorded in OR Book 673, Page 140 of the public records of Madison County, Florida. Together with all structures, improvements, fixtures, appliances, and appurtenances on said property or used in conjunction therewith. The property will be sold in separate, serial sales. 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: In accordance with Rule 2.065, Florida Rules of Judicial Administration, please be advised as follows: 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 29th day of July, 2009 at Madison, Madison County, Florida. TIM SANDERS CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT MADISON COUNTY, FLORIDA By: Ramona Dickinson Deputy Clerk Scot B. Copeland, Esq. LAW OFFICES OF SCOT B. COPELAND, P.L. FBN: 0156681 P.O. Drawer 916 Madison, FL 32341 8/5, 8/12

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR MADISON COUNTY CIVIL DIVISION BRANCH BANKING AND TRUST COMPANY, Plaintiff, vs. CASE NO. 40-2009-CA- 000230 DONALD RAY CAPPS A/K/A D. RAY CAPPS; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF DONALD RAY CAPPS A/K/A D. RAY CAPPS; DENISE BAILLARGEON; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF DENISE BAILLARGEON; IF ANY, INCLUDING ANY UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF SAID DEFENDANT(S), IF REMARRIED, AND IF DECEASED, THE RESPECTIVE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, CREDITORS, LIENORS, AND TRUSTEES, AND ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST THE NAMED DEFENDANT(S); AUCILLA PLANTATIONS PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC; MADISON TIMBERLAND LLC; WHETHER DISSOLVED OR PRESENTLY EXISTING, TOGETHER WITH ANY GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, CREDITORS, LIENORS, OR TRUSTEES OF SAID DEFENDANT(S) AND ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, OR AGAINST DEFENDANT(S); Defendant(s)

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR MADISON COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION CHASE HOME FINANCE LLC, Plaintiff, vs. CASE NO.: 40-2009-CA-000026 DIVISION: PAUL KIRKLAND A/K/A PAUL M. KIRKLAND, et al, Defendant(s). NOTICE OF RESCHEDULED FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated July 30, 2009 and entered in Case No. 40-2009-CA-000026 of the Circuit Court of the Third Judicial Circuit in and for Madison County, Florida wherein CHASE HOME FINANCE LLC, is the Plaintiff and PAUL KIRKLAND A/K/A PAUL M. KIRKLAND; MARIE KIRKLAND A/K/A MARIE R. KIRKLAND; MADISON COUNTY FLORIDA; are the Defendants, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at EAST DOOR OF THE MADISON COUNTY COURTHOUSE at 11:00AM on the 27 day of August 2009, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment: A PARCEL OF LAND IN THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 32, TOWNSHIP 1 NORTH, RANGE 11 EAST, MADISON COUNTY, FLORIDA, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: FROM THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 32 RUN SOUTH 89 DEGREES 39 MINUTES 18 SECONDS EAST ALONG THE SECTION LINE 1326.97 FEET TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID NORTHWEST QUARTER OF NORTHWEST QUARTER AND NORTHEAST CORNER AND POINT OF BEGINNING OF THE HEREIN DESCRIBED PARCEL, THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 15 MINUTES 12 SECONDS WEST ALONG FORTY LINE 250.0 FEET, THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 29 MINUTES 18 SECONDS WEST PARALLEL WITH SECTION LINE 175.0 FEET, THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 15 MINUTES 12 SECONDS EAST PARALLEL WITH FORTY LINE 250.0 FEET TO SECTION LINE, THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 39 MINUTES 18 SECONDS EAST ALONG SECTION LINE 175.0 FEET TO POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 1.00 ACRE, MORE OR LESS, SUBJECT TO COUNTY MAINTAINED PUBLIC ROADS AND POWER LINE A/K/A 1336 NELANTANA STREET, LEE, FL. 320590000 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 sixty (60) days after the sale. WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of this Court on July 31, 2009. Tim Sanders Clerk of the Circuit Court By: Ramona Dickinson Deputy Clerk 8/5, 8/12

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NOTICE OF SALE Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to a Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the above-styled cause, in the Circuit Court of Madison County, Florida, I will sell the property situate in Madison County, Florida, described as: TRACT 117, AUCILLA PLANTATIONS UNRECORDED, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE AT AN IRON ROD MARKING THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SECTION 24, TOWNSHIP 1 SOUTH, RANGE 4 EAST, MADISON COUNTY, FLORIDA AND RUN NORTH 89 DEGREES 54 MINUTES 53 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 2682.65 FEET TO A POINT, THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREE 06 MINUTES 52 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 1348.23 FEET TO A POINT, THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 54 MINUTES 53 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 919 FEET TO A POINT, THENCE RUN SOUTH 11 DEGREES 54 MINUTES 08 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE 233.03 FEET TO A POINT, THENCE SOUTH 85 DEGREES 21 MINUTES 12 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 2672.79 FEET TO A POINT NORTH 87 DEGREES 16 MINUTES 52 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE 1796.09 FEET TO A POINT IN THE CENTERLINE OF AN 80 FOOT WIDE ROADWAY, UTILITY AND DRAINAGE EASEMENT (335TH STREET) THENCE NORTH 46 DEGREES 35 MINUTES 25 SECONDS EAST, ALONG SAID CENTERLINE, A DISTANCE OF 518.21 FEET FOR A POINT OF BEGINNING, THENCE FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING, RUN CONTINUE ALONG SAID CENTERLINE AS FOLLOWS: NORTH 46 DEGREES 35 MINUTES 25 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 159.15 FEET TO A POINT, THENCE NORTH 57 DEGREES 49 MINUTES 53 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 410.62 FEET TO A POINT, THENCE NORTH 44 DEGREES 16 MINUTES 57 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 86.24 FEET TO A POINT, THENCE NORTH 13 DEGREES 34 MINUTES 40 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 159.15 FEET TO A POINT, THENCE NORTH 01 DEGREE 53 MINUTES 36 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 212.55 FEET TO A POINT, THENCE LEAVING SAID CENTERLINE, RUN NORTH 68 DEGREES 05 MINUTES 16 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 1970.63 FEET TO A POINT, THENCE SOUTH 42 DEGREES 57 MINUTES 45 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 899.29 FEET TO A POINT, THENCE SOUTH 68 DEGREES 05 MINUTES 16 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 2052.15 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. A/K/A SW 1 Federal Road, Lot 117 Greenville, FL 32331 at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash. At the west front doorsteps of the Madison County Courthouse, 125 SW range Ave, Madison, Florida 32340 at 11:00 a.m., on August 20, 2009 DATED THIS 28 DAY OF July, 2009. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Us pendens, must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Witness, my hand and seal of this court on the 28 day of July, 2009. CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT Ramona Dickinson Deputy Clerk THIS INSTRUMENT PREPARED BY: Law Offices of Daniel C. Consuegra 9204 King Palm Drive Tampa, FL 33619-1328 Phone: 813-915-8660 Attorneys for Plaintiff In accordance with the American with Disabilities Act of 1990, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the ASA Coordinator no later than seven (7) days prior to the proceedings. If hearing impaired, please call (800) 955-8771 (TDD) or (800) 955-8770 (voice), via Florida Relay Service. 8/5, 8/12

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING: The District Board of Trustees of North Florida Community College will hold its regular monthly meeting Tuesday, August 18, 2009 at 5:30 p.m. in the NFCC Student Center Lakeside Room, NFCC, 325 NW Turner Davis Dr., Madison, FL. A copy of the agenda may be obtained by writing: NFCC, Office of the President, 325 NW Turner Davis Dr., Madison, FL 32340. For disability-related accommodations, contact the NFCC Office of College Advancement, 850-973-1653. NFCC is an equal access/equal opportunity employer. 8/12 NOTICE OF SALE PURSANT TO CHAPTER 83, PART IV Under the Authority of the Self-Sevice Storage Facility Act, Section 83.805 the described below has been seized for nonpayment of rent and other accrued expenses. Property consists primarily of household & personal goods in units rented by Darlene Choche and James Lee. The property will be Sold at auction to the highest bidder as provided by the Self-Storage Facility Ad. Section 83-806. The sale will be held Saturday August 29,2009 at 9:00 A.M., at the Madison Mini Storage, 1088 E. U.S. 90, in Madison, Florida. For further information call 973-6246. 8/12, 8/19 Business Name Change From: Hughey Memorial Personal Care Center To: Southern Living For Seniors 8/12

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ADOPTION OF THE PROPOSED EVALUATION AND APPRAISAL REPORT OF THE MADISON COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN Madison County, Florida, by and through its Board of County Commissioners, will consider the adoption of the Evaluation and Appraisal Report on the Madison County Comprehensive Plan, for transmittal to the Florida Department of Community Affairs (DCA) for its review of sufficiency through Ordinance, pursuant to the requirements of Chapter 163.3191, Florida Statutes. The public hearing on the report will be held: When: Wednesday, August 19, 2009 at 5:00 p.m. Where: Madison County Annex Building: Downstairs Board Room, 229 SW Pinckney Street, Madison, FL The proposed report may be reviewed by the public at 229 SW Pinckney Street, Suite 219, Madison, FL between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Interested parties are encouraged to appear at this hearing and provide comments regarding the proposed report. Persons needing special access considerations should call the Madison County Planning and Zoning Department at (850) 973-3179 at least 48 hours before the date of the meeting for scheduling purposes. 8/12

Notice Madison County will submit the Annual Report required by the State Housing Initiatives Partnership Program for fiscal years 2006/07, 2007/2008 and 2008/2009 by September 15, 2009. Copies of the reports are available for public inspection and comment at the Office of the Chairman of the Madison County Board of Commissioners, Madison, Florida. 8/12

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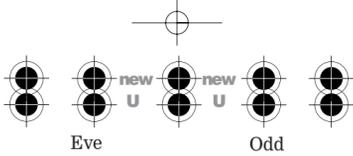
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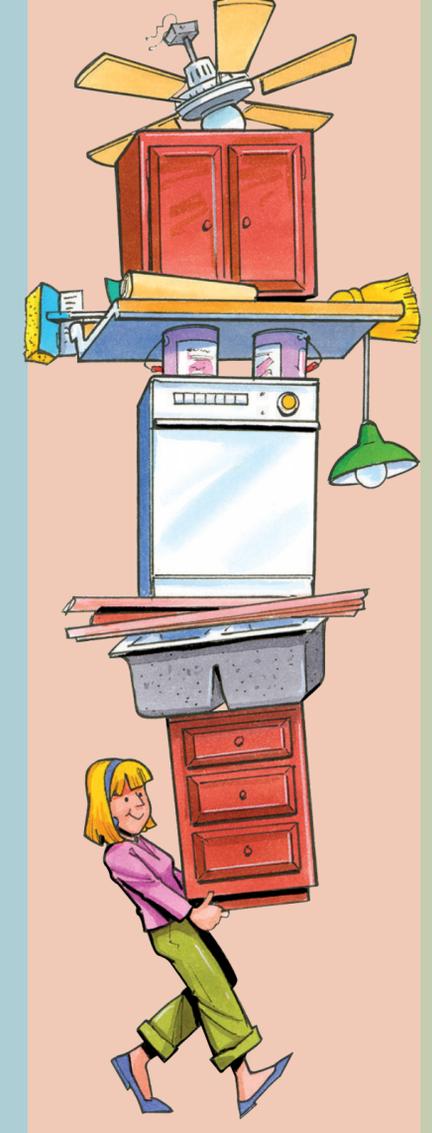
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Wednesday, August 12, 2009



TIPS FOR A SUCCESSFUL SCHOOL YEAR

Whether it's the beginning of the school year or well into the semester, sometimes helping a child succeed academically means understanding how he or she learns best.

Experts say children's individual learning styles are linked to one or more of their senses and can generally be classified in one of four categories: visual, auditory, kinesthetic or tactile. Knowing the group in which your child falls can help him or her overcome scholastic obstacles and, in many cases, move to the head of the class.

"Successful learning happens when we

make a connection between what we are attempting to learn and our personal strengths," says Dr. Mary Mokris, an education specialist for Kumon Math and Reading Centers.

"When the connection is made, learning is easy. When it isn't, difficulty follows." She offers these tips for identifying your child's learning style:

Seeing Is Believing
Visual learners learn best when "shown" how to do something. They thrive on written directions. If your child is a visual learner, it could be best for him or her to write and rewrite a spelling list

to see the letters come together on the page.

All Ears
Auditory learners retain more information from what they hear than read. Audi-



tory learners can make an audio recording of themselves spelling out words on a spelling list so they can replay them and spell along with the tape.

Move On
Kinesthetic learners express themselves through movement and often have trouble sitting still. To learn a spelling list, a kinesthetic learner can use his or her body to form the letters, can put the words on ob-

jects or can recite the spelling of words while jumping rope.

Feeling Smart
Tactile learners need to feel and manipulate objects with hands-on experience in order to learn best. They can use magnetic letters to spell out spelling words on the refrigerator or form the letters in clay or sand.

"If you know your child's strongest learning style, share this information with the teacher," says Dr.

Mokris. "That can help them adapt certain lessons appropriately."

For instance, at Kumon Math and Reading Centers, instructors offer an oral reading component to the reading program and math manipulatives such as the number board in the math program. The program currently helps more than 4 million children in 45 countries. For more information, visit www.kumon.com.



**Jack McClellan,
Principal,
Lee Elementary School**

Lee Elementary School's Faculty and Staff are excited about our students returning for the 2009-2010 School Year. As wonderful as our last year was, this next will be even better. Our kids did great: working hard, learning a lot and earning the school another "B." Even better, the students did so well that the school was considered to have met the State's stringent requirements for Adequate Yearly Progress. You rock, Rockets! And of course, we couldn't have done it without our Lee Elementary parents! Thanks, y'all!

We also cannot thank Warden Hicks and Officer John Stevens enough for the wonderful job done by their work crew at our school. In addition to the excellent job they did painting and polishing the classrooms and hallways and maintaining the school grounds, they presented us with some great artwork in our front office. Please come by and check it out!

Our open house will be on Monday, August 24, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Our classrooms will open to visit after a short meeting in our cafeteria. If you aren't able to attend, we will be able to answer any questions that you might have at our booth at the Family Fun Day at the Madison Rec Center on August 15th from Noon till 4.

School starts on August 24 at 8 a.m. You can drop off your students at the front office beginning at 7:30. In order not miss instruction or cause disruption, please make sure your student is at school before 8 and not picked up before 2:40.

If you have any questions, please call your Lee Elementary School at 973-5030.



**Beth Moore,
Principal,
Pinetta Elementary School**

Dear PES Family and Friends,
Hard work and a positive attitude do pay off! This was evident as we met our set goals for last school term. Pinetta Elementary School not only maintained an "A" grade from the state of Florida but we also met AYP (adequate yearly progress) requirements set by the federal government. This was a huge goal that was set this time last year and with your hard work and dedication to our school we were successful in reaching our goals.

Now we are ready to begin a new year with new goals, challenges, and expectations. The entire faculty and staff return from last year and are looking forward to an exciting school year.

New for this year will be a new reading series, SRA "Imagine It" for first and second grade. Last year it was purchased for third, fourth and fifth grades and they loved it! The teachers are excited about diving into something new and they have high expectations for the students!

Again this year PES has adopted a uniform dress code for our students. Shirts may be blue (light or navy), white, black, grey, or yellow/gold. Students can wear Pinetta logo t-shirts or regular pull over shirts with a collar. Pants or shorts can be Khaki, navy blue, or black. All shoes must be closed toed and attached to your foot (no flip-flops). If you have any questions please give us a call at school.

You are invited to this year's back to school open house on Friday, August 21st from 5:00-7:00. Come meet your child's teacher and hear a little of what will be expected of your child. I would also like to invite you to get involved with our school. There are so many ways you can volunteer at a school, so get involved today!

Sincerely,
Beth Moore
Principal



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"Back to school" means it's time to go back to dancing school as well. On Tuesday, September 8th, the sound of tapping feet and lively music will once again be heard at Becky's Dance Steps Studio as students put on their dancing shoes for the studio's 34th season of dance instruction.

Registration and dancewear fittings for the 2009 - 2010 term will be held Wednesday, August 19th - Friday, August 21st, from 2 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. at the studio located at 438 East Base Street, next to McDon-

ald's in Madison. "Early Bird" discounts and door prizes will be given to those registering the first day on Wednesday, August 19th. Enrollment is limited so be sure to register early! Classes will be offered in Ballet, Tap, Jazz, Kindredance and Pointe for ages three



through adult. Boys' Zone, a special class in Jazz, Tap & Hip Hop just for boys will also be included in the curriculum. New short term workshops lasting 6 - 8 weeks each will include Mommy & Me classes, Hip Hop for Kids, and So You Want to Learn to Dance!, a class for Adults with

no dance experience that just want to get some exercise and have fun while exploring the different genres of dance.

Becky's Dance Steps Studio is owned and operated by Becky Robinson, a member of Dance Masters of America. She and her staff, which includes Associate Instructor, Toni Blanton Norris, are excited about the prospects of a new school year after attending conventions and classes this summer in Orlando. For more registration information, call 973-4828 or 973-4444.

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Learning Center Holds Back To School Jam

By Bryant Thigpen
Greene Publishing, Inc.

The Madison/Greenville Learning Center in Greenville will be hosting its Third Annual Back To School Jam on Saturday, August 22, from 10-12 p.m. The event is sponsored by Otis and Essie Norton, along with the Men's Club of Madison.

The center will be giving away school supplies to needy families who have children returning to school in the fall. These items include backpacks, pencils and pens, paper, rulers and more.

The Madison/Greenville Learning Center is owned by Otis and Essie Norton of Monticello. The purpose of the center is to help the local youth. "We wanted to establish this center for the community," stated Otis. "We realize the young people on the streets are uneducated, and we want to help our youth by furthering their education. This is something we wanted to do for the youth of our community."

If you would like to donate school supplies for this cause, or give a monetary gift for the center to buy school supplies, please call (850) 997-5683 or (850) 508-3566.

The Madison/Greenville Learning Center is a not-for-profit organization.

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FAITH
HOLY BIBLE

Bobby Burnett, Principal, Christian Heritage Academy

On August 24, 2009 Christian Heritage Academy (CHA) will welcome students Pre-K through eight grades back for our fourth year of teaching and training the next generation for God's glory. These past three years have been filled with excitement and continued development of our vision and our faculty. CHA is the ministry of First Baptist Church of Greenville, Florida. CHA offers a Christ-centered education in a Christian environment where students are instructed with commitment to education that places Christ at the center of all learning.

This summer has seen the remodeling of our classrooms where the impact by our staff will make a powerful difference in the lives of these children. Our sincere appreciation is extended to all those who help make this remodeling a success. Education is coupled with nurture and love from the heart of God through our dedicated staff to each student everyday. CHA uses the ABEKA curriculum in each class.

Parents, again this year have expressed deep appreciation for the Step Up for Students scholarship program opportunities that make it possible to send their children to private schools. If you would like more information on this scholarship program go to www.stepupforstudents.org

Again, we welcome our faculty and students back to school with much excitement and enthusiasm for the 2009-20010 school year. If you believe this is the direction God is leading you and your family please contact us. For more information about CHA call (850) 948-2068. We cherish your prayers for our school and students.

Bobby Burnett
Principal
Christian Heritage Academy

SCHOOL & EDUCATION



**Shirley Joseph,
Principal,
Madison County Excel
Alternative School**

The term alternative education broadly refers to the public schools which have been set up by the school district, within the state of Florida, for the population of students that are not succeeding in the traditional public school environment. Alternative schools offer students who are failing academically or may have learning disabilities or behavioral problems an opportunity to achieve in a different setting.

The MADISON COUNTY EXCEL ALTERNATIVE SCHOOL is the Alternative Education program for Madison County Schools. A goal of the EXCEL School is to improve student's academic performance, attendance, and discipline. The curriculum is based on the Florida Sunshine Standards and the Madison County Student Progression Plan. In addition to a rigorous academic focus on the curriculum, our hope is to also provide support and some type of counseling to the students.

Several budget crises for Madison County Schools have caused us to take another look at scheduling. In order to meet the needs of a greater number of students, there has been a creative approach to scheduling for the 2009-2010 school year.

Though EXCEL has not received a school grade for the past three years, the students are required to take the FCAT and it is possible for students to graduate from the school with a regular diploma. EXCEL is not exempt from APY rating. For the 2008-2009 school year EXCEL achieved 85% of the AYP goals.

As we begin this school year, there will be a greater focus on the individual student. With the individual growth should come the collective growth of the group. We solicit your help as we embark upon this journey. We truly believe that, "it takes a village to raise a child." We know with your help and the help and goodwill of the community that we can, and will make, a difference.

Shirley Joseph will be assuming the leadership role at EXCEL for this school year. She is busy trying to schedule conferences to meet individually with each parent and their student before school begins. So, if your student will be attending EXCEL in August, please call the school and make an appointment for your conference.

Believing, Achieving, Succeeding.....Yes, we can!!!!



**Emily Spencer,
Principal,
Latma Christian Academy**



Greetings Madison County!

The LATMA Christian Academy is happy to begin its seventh year in operation, and it has been a wonderful, exciting, and history making seven years at that! The Bible instructs us to exam ourselves and so did the Department of Education! Therefore we have worked diligently in our studies and we are so happy to report an increase in our Stanford 10 scores! (The "Stanford 10" is a Standardized Test that replaces the FCAT at LATMA)

Attending LATMA means being a part of a history making environment. We thank God for blessing us to make and be a part of history and we thank those of you who have supported us in our many endeavors. We can't help but reflect on one of the coldest days of last Winter in which we participated in the Inauguration of President Barack Obama, our first African American President! We were elated when First Lady Michelle Obama responded to our letter with an invitation to the White House! We have accepted the invitation for the 2009-10 school term.

Our elementary students not only enjoyed a beautiful garden right on the school grounds, but took a trip to the Mixon Fruit Farm and the Mosi Museum of Science in Tampa, which houses the largest scientific activity area for children in the country! Our Elementary and older students can look forward to a great trip this year as well.

At LATMA, we love working in our community. Area nursing home residents are as happy to see LATMA students on Tuesdays when we go to sing, and LATMA is happy to be there also. This outreach will continue during this school year. Madison county residents can also look forward to the Mock Constitution Signing that will take place on September 18th on the Courthouse steps and lawn, and yes that delicious lunch will be available again!

The Annual Celebration will take place on December 12th, so please get ready for elegant dining, great entertainment, and the sharing of our accomplishments in the past six years. We will start the New Year off with the Martin Luther King, Jr. Commemorative Breakfast, continue with our Black History and Women's History activities and look forward to saying farewell to our third set of graduates next Summer.

LATMA is currently accepting applications, and scholarships are still available. Please call us at (850) 973-2359. Volunteers are also needed. If individuals or groups can share at least an hour of time, it would be very much appreciated! Our Parent/Student Orientation will take place on Tuesday evening, August 17th at 7:00 PM. Potential parents and students are also welcomed to come! Thank you Madison, and we wish all the other schools in the area a great and successful year. Please pray for us as we "Train Excellent Leaders for His Excellency!"

Pastor Emily Spencer, Principal



**C. Davis Barclay,
Principal,
Greenville Elementary School**



Colts

Welcome back to the beginning of a great school year filled with high expectations from our faculty, staff, and students. This year marks a new beginning for Greenville Elementary School. Last school term the school received a letter grade of "A" on the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test also known as the FCAT, as well as making AYP (adequate yearly progress). We will continue to work very hard to maintain a grade of "A" and AYP required by the No Child Left Behind Act. We are very excited that all of our wonderful and highly qualified teachers will be returning along with the addition of a newly assigned Para-professional.

The PTO (Parent-Teacher Organization) is alive and well at Greenville Elementary School. Each month we will meet and discuss what's happening at school and how we can work together to best meet the needs of our children. The PTO supports the school in an advisory capacity, through volunteers, fund raising, mentoring, and community activities. The PTO and school form a partnership all year long to make the school a "Good Place to Learn." Another organization that provides assistance to the school is the School Advisory Council (SAC). The SAC provides advisory support to the school and provides important input and feedback on school improvement.

Supervision for students starts at 7:30 a.m. Students should not be dropped off, or brought to school, before 7:30 a.m. Students arriving to school at 7:30 a.m. will report directly to the cafeteria for breakfast. After eating breakfast, students will report to their classrooms. Teachers will be in their classrooms at 7:45 a.m. to receive students. Our school day for students will end at 2:45 p.m.

We welcome our parents, guardians, grandparents, and other interested individuals to visit your and our school. However, in order to comply with the *Jessica Lunsford Act*, we must ask that *all visitors* come to the main office and sign in so that we may assist you in the purpose of your visit. After the first week of school, the students should know their teacher and classroom and should not have to be escorted to class. Therefore, we are asking that students arriving by car should be dropped off in the parent drop-off and pick-up area in front of the school. Please do not park and wait for children to disappear into their classroom as this will create a safety problem for other parents dropping off their children. Your assistance in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Lastly, as the newly assigned principal at Greenville, I would like to say thanks for the opportunity to serve the community where I grew up and began my education.

C. Davis Barclay

Panthers

**Janna Barrs,
Principal,
Madison Academy**



Dear Madison Academy Students and Parents,

I trust that you are enjoying your summer break; I've certainly enjoyed mine! In checking the calendar it appears that a new school year is quickly approaching. You know what they say, "All good things must come to and end"; however I would like to add to that expression...All good things must come to an end to make way for even better things in the future!! The floors are clean and shiny, many rooms are freshly painted, and materials are arriving daily; all that's missing are teachers and students!

Speaking of teachers and students, I am pleased to announce the addition of four new faces to our faculty. Crysti Burnette has accepted the fourth grade teaching position, Bridgett Jenkins will be assisting Karen Weiland in 4K, Mrs. Nancy Varn will be teaching Art History in middle grades, and Kelsey Varn will be assisting us with after-school care. In addition, Shawna Swope will be assisting in the upper grade after-school care program. It appears that we have several new families relocating to our area and they have decided to put their children in our care. Let's make every effort to make them feel welcome into our "family".

Our Board of Directors, alumni, parents, grandparents, and maintenance crews have been busy this summer making improvements to our buildings and grounds and adding items to our PE and Music Departments. During our Open House on August 20th, we will be "showing off" some additions to our program. Specifically, we would like for you to plan to visit our new weight room and be sure to stop by the music room to gaze at the new Orff Instruments! We will also have a sampling of new PE Equipment on display in the gymnasium.

The PAT Club has met over the summer and they have an exciting year planned! To kick off the year they will have a display of new spirit wear in the gym during Open House. In addition to the PAT Club, there will be numerous other opportunities for parents, grandparents, and alumni to get involved in our school this year. Information will be available at Open House detailing some possibilities for involvement that you may wish to consider.

Mark your calendars with these important dates and times; Thursday, August 20th, from 5:30 to 6:30 Open House and Monday, August 24th, at 7:50 First Bell for the 2009-2010 school year. Enjoy the rest of your break and we'll see you soon!

Sincerely,
Janna Barrs
Head of School

SCHOOL & EDUCATION

Tips For Packing Healthier School Lunches

Lunches that make the nutritional grade can help your kids get better grades. And, what better way to boost that brainpower than to fuel those bodies with healthy fruits and veggies. Here are a few tips to make your kids the envy of the lunchroom.

Covert yogurt: In your children's lunch, pack a plastic container of plain yogurt and fruit chunks. Encourage them to play detective and identify which fruits you included. If they come home and identify the fruit you added, give them a small prize.

Thermos fusions: Help your child experiment weekly with new 100 percent fruit and vegetable beverages in a ther-

mos for school.

Color your crunch for lunch: Have your child choose from a rainbow of colors to brighten up his or her lunch. Carrots or celery with light ranch dressing or apples with peanut butter are a fun way to crunch.

Get sporty: Proportion energy snacks for your kids as they head to sporting events, such as their favorite dried fruits and nuts.

Let them play with their food: For a little lunch bag fun, slice apples into boats (cutting apples into eighths), or try red pepper butterflies (slicing red peppers across diameter) or cucumber hearts (sliced with a paring knife).

Slow-cooker

creations: Add carrots, potatoes, onions, celery and all your favorite veggies together in the Crock-Pot for a hearty stew that cooks while you help with homework.

A Call To Action

The national public health initiative encourages Americans to eat more fruits and vegetables--fresh, frozen, canned, dried and 100 percent juice for their better health. The initiative is a national call to action that is attainable and easy for people to understand--it is simply to eat more fruits and vegetables. Moms can find these and more Get Smart! tips, as well as recipes, nutrition information and more, on the Fruits & Veggies--More Matters Web site www.fruitsandveggiesmorematters.org.



David B. Hanks
Principal,
New Testament
Christian School

Dear Parents and Students of New Testament Christian School, I am looking to the coming year with excitement and expectations of great things. Since arriving here last year, I have already seen some amazing growth in the lives of our students, and I anticipate a continuation of that progress both educationally and spiritually.

Preparations are well underway for classes which begin August 17. The teachers have been making plans and they are excited about the coming year.

If you would like enrollment information at NTCS, call the office at 973-3877. We still have openings in several grades.

New Testament Christian School - Where Jesus is Lord!

David B. Hanks
Principal



Sam Stalnaker
Principal,
Madison County Central School



BRONCOS

The faculty and staff of Madison County Central School would like to welcome all students to the 2009-2010 school year. We are certainly excited about the upcoming year and ready to continue our success. Our school grade improved from a "D" to a solid "C"; only 42 points away from being a "B." We, at MCCS, are confident in our students' abilities to achieve their fullest potential. To facilitate our students' achievements, MCCS has made some significant changes in our teaching strategies and methods.

Kindergarten will be self-contained throughout the day, while first and second grade teachers will be on specific grade level teams of two or three teachers. Third, fourth and fifth grade teachers will be teaching on teams of three; as a "Small Learning Community." Sixth, seventh and eighth grade teachers will continue with the grade level "House" process. MCCS has gotten away from the traditional "self-contained" approach for the majority of our grade levels and classes.

Our commitment to your child's success remains our highest priority in order to insure each child is able to meet his/her individual goals. In order for MCCS students to achieve their highest potential, a strong community partnership is vital to our school. MCCS began creating a partnership by holding individual "Town Hall" meetings to encourage community involvement and awareness. This process will continue throughout the 2009-2010 school year as well.

Your child's school day will begin at 8:15 a.m. daily. Student supervision will begin at 7:35 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. daily unless the child is participating in an approved after-school program. All students will be directed to their first period class at 8:00 am to prepare for the day to begin. In order to prevent any unnecessary interruptions during the school day, please be sure your child arrives to school on time.

MCCS's dress policy will remain the same as last year. A copy of this policy is available at the school's main office and will be published in the *Madison County Carrier* and *Enterprise Recorder*. We will be hosting our annual "Open House" Thursday, August 20th from 4:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. Pre-K and Kindergarten students will need to report to the school's cafeteria and will be directed to their appropriate classes. All other students will report to the main office area for individual home room assignments. MCCS's Succeed Academy will be hosting a separate "Open House" Tuesday, August 18th beginning at 6 p.m.

Additionally, as the school year gets started, each grade level will be hosting individual "Parent Night" meetings to address specific parental concerns.

Sincerely,
Sam Stalnaker
Principal
Madison County Central School



Ben F. Killingsworth
Principal,
Madison County High School



The Madison County High School faculty and staff would like to welcome our parents and students to the 2009-2010 school year. Our school, along with the Southern Regional Education Board, is in the second year of a three-year partnership to increase student success. This year, we will change from the traditional seven period day to a modified block which has five periods during the day. The first two periods will change after the end of the first semester and the remaining three will change after the end of the first semester and the remaining three will last the entire year. We are also assessing the academic rigor to ensure grade level proficiency.

Our main commitment is to the success of our students. Research shows that poor reading and writing skills prevent many students from graduating from high school, completing college and contributing in the workplace. We are asking parents to reinforce the importance of reading and encourage your child to read. We gave reading lists out at the end of last school year to students in order for them to read two books over the summer and they will be tested on it when they come back for the 2009-2010 school year.

Our Media Center will be open for our students to check out books on Tuesday and Thursday from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. if they still need to check books out. Improving our students' reading and writing skills must be our first priority. I am, as the Principal of your child, begging you to support your child in their academic development in the same manner that I see you support your child in extracurricular events.

The 2009-2010 school year will be a very busy year as we strive to make our school one that our students, parents and community can be proud of. The grade we received last year is one that is unacceptable and we will make every effort to correct it.

Our school day will begin at 8:25 a.m. daily. The buses will come in the afternoon around 3:10 p.m. We invite you to attend our Open House on August 20 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. We look forward to talking with you during that time and if we can be of any future, help please call at 973-5061. We look forward to a great year.

Sincerely,
Ben F. Killingsworth
Principal
Madison County High School

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SCHOOL & EDUCATION

Great Community Support For St. James Back-to-School Fair

By Michael Curtis
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Several members of Madison County civic and educational leadership, including Excel School Principal Shirley Joseph and Supervisor of Elections Jada Woods-Williams, were among educators and officials who addressed the students attending the St. James Missionary Baptist Church Back-to-School Informational Fair. Reverends David DeLaughter and Octavious Tookes welcomed chil-

all children who qualify for it. Sam Stalnaker emphasized the Central School's improvement goals, and Shirley Joseph reminded parents and students that the Excel School can and will produce productive graduates. Other guests and their messages included: Sharon Reynolds, Women's Pregnancy Center - Teenage pregnancy is a very emotional issue and the young women of Madison County have a place to go for help.

Madison County Fire Department - In addition to fire safety tips; he excited and involved the children regarding the importance of being a respectful and attentive student. Jerome Wyche, Madison County Alcohol and Other Drug Prevention Coalition - Told children about the importance of good choices, and that adult helpers are available for them and their parents. Ashley Rudd & Tyuanna McCall, MCHD Students Working



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Students appreciated the door prizes and school supplies they received at the Back-to-School fair held at St. James on August 8. Pictured left to right with host Geneva Thomas: Amber Brown, Keith Brown, Rekaeye Ware, Aquilla Powell and Desirea Alexander.



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Superintendent of Schools Lou Miller thanked Reverend David DeLaughter for hosting the Back-to-School Fair at St. James Missionary Baptist Church.

dren, parents and speakers to the gathering, which kicked off at 9 a.m. on Saturday, August 8, following a delicious breakfast served up by the lovely ladies of the church.

Elizabeth Brinson, County Extension Office - Food Stamp grant includes resources to provide parents guidance regarding importance of food choices and nutritional health for all stu-

Against Tobacco (SWAT) program - Program has been approved as a club at the Central School and will include leadership training and field trips. Tim Sanders, Clerk



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Ashley Rudd, representing the MCHD Students Working Against Tobacco program, introduced the kids to Mr. Grossmouth during the Back-to-School Informational Fair held on August 8 at St. James Missionary Baptist Church.

Following a brief greeting by LaGretta Woods, Superintendent of Schools Lou Miller opened the morning, providing information and warm words of encouragement to students, age kindergarten to high school. Among other key comments that followed, Gwen Hubbard reviewed tutoring options, emphasizing the value of the resource for

dents, especially those in early developmental stages. Ben Stewart, Madison County Sheriff - Expressed his appreciation for grant program school district recently received that creates additional school resource officer. Reminded children their safety and comfort are his priorities as well. Ernie Johnson,

of the Court - Reminded children to aim high and be the best they can be, as well as urging children to work hard and know there are adults around them who want to help. He included the story of a special mentoring relationship he has with Tony Straughter who now plays football for the University of South Carolina. Preston Mathews,



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Students were presented generous bags of school supplies at the St. James Missionary Baptist Church Back-to-School Informational Fair.

Big Bend AHEC Smoking Cessation Specialist - Entertained all in attendance with lively Q & A session regarding the hazards of all forms of tobacco use, including smokeless. He also invited everybody to join him for the "Freestyle Connections" BMX stunt bike show he is sponsoring for the Fifth Saturday festival scheduled for August 29 at Four Freedoms Park.

Jada Woods-Williams, Supervisor of Elections - Having grown up at St. James, she really connected to all the kids, reminding them they can achieve their dreams but it requires dedication and a respect for those around them. Her combination of humor and understanding was a big hit.

Children and guests were treated to two gift bag raffles during the fair. Additionally, generous bags of school supplies were provided to all students in preparation for returning to school on August 24.

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Preston Mathews, tobacco cessation specialist with Big Bend AHEC, entertained students and guests at the St. James Back-to-School Informational Fair.



Richard Finlayson
Principal,
Aucilla Christian Academy

Dear Parents,

I hope this finds you in the midst of a summer filled with family, fun, fellowship, and faith. Here at school this is a busy time as we work diligently to prepare for the return of your precious children. We are very excited about the year ahead and will continue to strive to be in a constant state of improvement as we work to become all that God intends for our ministry to be.

We are extremely excited about the success of our Securing the Future capital campaign. As the temperature seems to approach 100 degrees daily, we are nearing \$1.8 million in commitments as we press on toward our goal of \$2 million! This level of success would be astounding under normal circumstances, but it is absolutely miraculous in today's economic times. This is an awesome testimony about the ability of God to provide for His school and we give Him the glory for these results. We would like to thank all of our supporters who have generously committed thus far and ask that everyone pray about how they may be able to support this campaign.

Due to the success of our Securing the Future campaign, our first through third grades will be moving into a new classroom building this fall. Construction is moving along well as all the drywall is up and the sod went down today. This will secure the future for our facilities to accommodate our student growth for many years to come and allow us to not be overcrowded in our current facilities.

Most importantly, we will continue to strive to secure the eternal future of our precious children as we lay a strong spiritual foundation on which they can build their lives. Thank you for the privilege of working with your children. It is an honor and responsibility that we do not take lightly. Always remember that an Aucilla Christian Academy education is an investment in the future of your children. May God continue to bless you and your family throughout the remainder of the summer.

In Christ,
Richard Finlayson

Back-To-School ABC's of Safety

It's time for school to start again—make the grade in safety with these handy tips!

A

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B

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D

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E

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K

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KENNY HALL
School Board Member
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L

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M

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U

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Saturday 9:00am - 12:00 Noon

V

Vacant lots and buildings should be avoided.



WAYNE VICKERS
County Commissioner
District 2

W

Walk to school with friends.



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Save money. Live better.

X

Exit carefully from a car or school bus.

LOU S. MILLER
Superintendent of Schools



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Yield to others when bike riding.

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Zap germs with clean hands.



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