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Hamburg-Lovett VFD To Host Annual Peanut Boil

The Hamburg-Lovett Volunteer Fire Department will have their annual peanut boil on August 29, from 5 p.m. until.

There will be chicken and rice dinners and hotdogs for sale. There will be a cake auction and also activities for children.

The Hamburg-Lovett VFD will have quart and gallon bags of peanuts for sale. They will be taking prepaid orders for bushels of peanuts, which can be picked up at a later date. Go join in the fun. For more information, please call (850) 948-4353 after 7 p.m.

Dave Galbraith Football And Cheering Signups Set

Dave Galbraith football and cheerleading sign ups are being held at the Madison County Courthouse on Saturday, Aug. 29, and Saturday, Sept. 5, from 9 a.m.-12 noon. Cheerleaders, ages 5-13, three football teams, ranging from ages 6-7, 8-10 and 11-13. The fee for all participating youth is 50 dollars.

Please bring your child with you to sign ups.

Country Jamboree Set For August 28

By Bryant Thigpen
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The first Country Jamboree is set for Friday, August 28, and excitement is in the air. Local merchants are excited about this event, which will be held on Dade Street, next to the Country Store, in front of the Spaghetti House.

The event will be held
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Truth-In-Millage Notices Go Out This Week



Leigh Barfield

You may be wondering why property values go down and your taxes went up? Taxpayers should start receiving the Truth-In-Millage (TRIM) Notices this week.

"Keep in mind this is not a bill, simply the year's proposed property taxes," said Leigh Barfield, Madison County Property Appraiser. "I would like to stress that if you did not receive yours, please contact the Property Appraiser's office to verify address and make sure you receive your notice of proposed taxes. If

one has moved, has a change of an address, physical to post office box; if one has not notified the property appraiser's office, their notice may become undeliverable."

Barfield pointed out that it is very frustrating to understand the true fact of the three values that are reported and just how critical it may be.

"Market Value' will not control a longstanding homesteaded property owner's tax bill. It is the 'Assessed and taxable values' that are what drive the individual tax-

payers scenarios on the TRIM notice," said Barfield.

Those taxpayers who have had homestead exemption for the longest period of time are the most frequently affected in the confusion. A quick review of a sampling of these cases indicate that tax bills will generally increase between \$40.00 and \$150.00 for 2009, if the proposed millage rates are approved by the taxing authorities.

Typically, those who bought and/or had their homestead re-
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Local Businessman Pat Cantey Dies

Local businessman Pat S. Cantey, Jr., 68, died Sunday, Aug. 23, 2009, at Madison County Memorial Hospital.

Services will be held on Thursday, Aug. 27, at 11 a.m. at the funeral home with burial at Oak Ridge Cemetery.

Visitation was held Tuesday, Aug. 25, from 6-8 p.m. at Beggs Funeral Home.

Pat was born in Thomasville, Ga., and grew up in Madison. He graduated from Florida State University in 1962 with a B.S. in Accounting and was a member of the Pi Kappa Phi social fraternity. After college, he served two years in the Army, stationed in South Korea. He returned to Madison to run Cantey Motor Com-

pany with his father and later started a business providing cell phone, computer and Internet services. Pat was a charter member of the Kiwanis Club of Madison and served as president and secretary several times during his long tenure. He enjoyed ham radio and flying radio controlled airplanes on most weekends at the Lee airfield.

He is survived by his wife of 43 years, Elmire; two sons, Patrick and Michael (Mary); a grandson, Aidan; and a sister, Marie Cantey Middlemas.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial donations be sent to the Madison Kiwanis Club Scholarship, P.O. Box 8, Madison, FL 32341 or a charity of your choice.



Scam Alert

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has recently learned that an old long distance phone scam that leads consumers to incur high charges on their phone bills may now affect wireless consumers. In the past, consumers have been fooled into making expensive international calls by scam artists who leave messages on consumers' answering machines or their e-mail accounts. The messages urge consumers to call a number with an "809," "284," "876," or some

other area code to collect a prize, find out about a sick relative, or engage in sex talk.

Wireless consumers are now receiving similar calls from phone numbers with three-digit area codes that appear to be domestic, but are actually associated with international pay-per-call phone numbers. While wireless companies are working to block suspicious numbers on their networks, some consumers may become victims of this scam.

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More Dead Fish In Lake Frances



Photos courtesy of Pat Lightcap

Late Monday afternoon on August 24, workers were trying to clear dead fish from Lake Frances, located within the city limits of Madison.

This is very similar to the fish kill of March

22 in the same location.

The previous event was the result of the failure of system pumping air in to the lake waters to provide oxygen for the fish. The cooling fan on the pump had locked up and the airline had a

leak.

The latest event appears to be the lack of air going in to the lake, but the exact reasons why are unclear. The pump fan is working but the air outlets in the water show no air circulation.

Board Seeking Charities For Recycling Program

By Michael Curtis
Greene Publishing, Inc.

Two years ago, the Recycling 4 Charities program was launched in Madison County with Junior Auxiliary as its first recipient. Last year, Needy Families was the featured charity, raising over \$2,000 for their Christmas gift project.

Special receptacles have been placed in each of the collection sites throughout the county, where residents are urged to place their aluminum cans while disposing of their trash. In cooperation with the program, a representative of the charity simply collects these cans periodically and delivers them to the recycling center for payment.

As the program enters its third year, the Board of County Commissioners is now seeking applica
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Wed 8/26 89/72
Partly to mostly cloudy with scattered showers and thunderstorms developing.

Thu 8/27 88/71
Scattered thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 80s and lows in the low 70s.

Fri 8/28 86/71
Scattered thunderstorms possible.

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Mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the upper 80s and lows in the low 70s.

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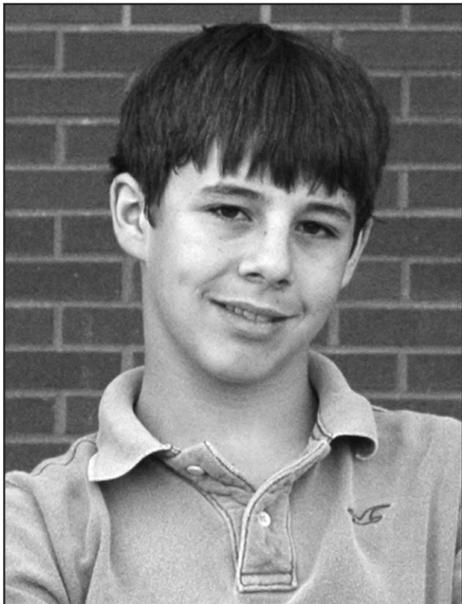
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Communism In Washington, D.C.?

Back in March 2009, President Obama appointed Van Jones as his Special Advisor for Green Jobs.

Jones, a former Black Nationalist and self-professed communist, was arrested in 1993 as a participant during the Rodney King riots (charges were later dropped.) He is quoted as saying that while in jail, "Met all these young radical people of color. I mean really radical, communists and anarchists. And it was like; this is what I need to be a part of." And, "By August, I was a communist."

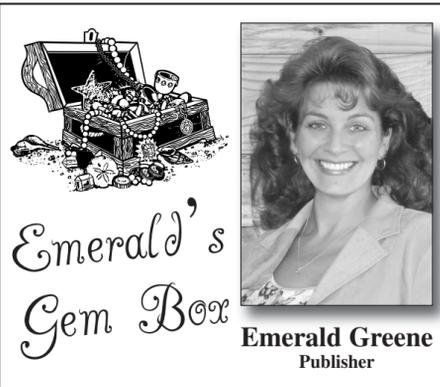
(Black Nationalist according to Dictionary.com "A member of a group of militant Black people who urge separatism from white people and the establishment of self-governing Black communities.")

(Radical according to Dictionary.com "a person who holds or follows strong convictions or extreme principles; extremist." And "a person who advocates fundamental political, economic, and social reforms by direct and often uncompromising methods.")

(Communist according to Dictionary.com "a person who is regarded as supporting politically leftist or subversive causes.")

(Communism according to Dictionary.com "a theory or system of social organization based on the holding of all property in common, actual ownership being ascribed to the community as a whole or to the state." And "a system of social organization in which all economic and social activity is controlled by a totalitarian state dominated by a single and self-perpetuating political party.")

Anarchists according to Dictionary.com "a person who advocates or believes in anarchy or anar-



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chism." And "a person who seeks to overturn by violence all constituted forms and institutions of society and government, with no purpose of establishing any other system of order in the place of that destroyed." And "a person who promotes disorder or excites revolt against any established rule, law, or custom."

Jones also helped found a group called STORM (Standing Together to Organize a Revolutionary Movement) and held study groups in Marxist and Lenin studies

To paraphrase Glenn Beck, who said it best (referring to our President of the United States), How can you put a self-acclaimed communist as a czar and say you're not part of that? How can you surround yourself with radicals and say you have nothing to do with that?

America was founded on the principles of freedom. Communism and Socialism are NOT true freedom. Why has the President of a FREE country appointed a self-proclaimed communist as a personal advisor to him? Why is the President's health care system so close in comparison to a socialist program?

If we're not careful, America seems to be headed in the wrong direction.

God help us all! (And yes, I pray to God/The Father/The Son/and Holy Ghost... for all you ACLU supporters)

(And for all who have taken offense to this article because you think I'm attacking Van Jones because of his skin color..... think again!!! The word communist says it all!!!)

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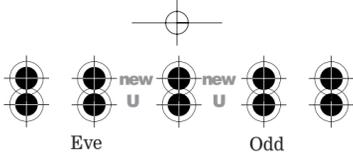
Yes, completely ready	10%
A little prepared	45%
Not prepared at all, but working on it	30%
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This week's question: Do you find yourself saving more and/or spending less than you did, say, three to five years ago, when the economy was in much better shape?

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School's Back In

Students returned to school Monday. Make sure that you watch out for children waiting for school buses and watch out for traffic.

The Gaddis Family will appear on Saturday, Aug. 29, at Midway Church of God at 7 p.m. The family will appear in downtown Madison the night before, from 6-9 p.m. Groups will include the Gaddis Family and LifeSong. On Sunday evening, Aug. 30, they will appear at Sirmans Baptist Church.

A special town council meeting will be held Tuesday evening, Sept. 1. People who are interested in the town's proposed wastewater system are encouraged to attend and voice their concerns against or for the system.

The last night of the Macedonia Baptist Church revival with former pastor Bill Reynolds will be Wednesday, Aug. 26, beginning at 7 p.m.

Happy birthday wishes are extended to Martha Lou Provan, who will celebrate her birthday on Wednesday, Aug. 26. Michael Keeler will celebrate his birthdays on Wednesday, Aug. 27. Edna Doyle will celebrate her birthday on Monday, Aug. 31. Margaret Brown and Russell Williams will celebrate their birthday on Tuesday, Sept. 1, as will I.

Belated birthday wishes go out to Ridge McCormick, Aug. 22, and Allen McCormick, Aug. 24.

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!

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Billie Jean Fuqua, left, was on hand for the tree dedication service, where a tree was planted in memory of her friend, Jessie Adamson. Pictured with Billie Jean are Willie Clare Copeland, center, and Nell Ring, right.

Greene Publishing, Inc. Photo, October 13, 2005.

Perry Townhall

National Security
Joe Boyles
Guest Columnist



Last week, I attended Allen Boyd's townhall meeting in neighboring Perry. I wasn't content to listen to how the news media described these gatherings, so I decided to witness one in person. The venue was changed from the Woman's Club to the Forestry Park, presumably to accommodate a larger crowd.

Congressman Boyd has said on countless occasions this month that he has never before hosted larger townhalls than during this August recess. I estimated that there were between 400 and 500 citizens present at this meeting in Perry.

Boyd spent about 10 minutes laying groundwork for the meeting. He noted that CNN had come to record the event. That might explain why this meeting received so much national coverage. He gave notice to the crowd that we would show our visitors "Southern manners and hospitality" which I think for the most part we did.

The congressman talked about the recession and that there were some recent signs of recovery. He said that the Blue Dog Coalition (52 House Democrats) had four tests for any health care reform plan: you must be able to keep your current plan; reform must slow the growth of accelerating health care costs; we must insure more Americans; and the plan must pay for itself without borrowing money. The crowd signaled their approval of the plan, particularly the last point.

Then Boyd opened the meeting up to questions. I was impressed with his manner. He was in amongst the crowd and listened carefully to every concern. Most of the time he answered a question directly. He seemed genuinely interested to hear what his constituents were thinking.

The crowd got a little agitated at times, but for the most part, we were all respectful.

When a questioner made an important point, the crowd would roar its approval.

Every person who came forward to ask a question, with one exception, was generally opposed to the president's health care reform plan in some way.

This was a conservative crowd that voiced its disapproval of anything liberal. The exception was a woman from Tallahassee who said she favored the president's plan for a government run health plan. It was obvious from the crowd's negative reaction that she did not represent the views of the citizens of Perry.

Here are some of the things that speakers said that drew positive reactions from the crowd. They didn't want health insurance to be extended to illegal aliens. They didn't want public funds to be spent for abortion (or rather, to use the liberal code words - "women's reproductive health services"). They seriously questioned the federal government's ability to run anything as large as health care successfully after witnessing debacles in the VA and Medicare. One speaker noted that both the Energy and Education Departments were created during the Carter Administration and matters had gotten steadily worse since that time.

One citizen said that "you don't need to tear down the house to remodel the bathroom," indicating that we could improve health care and lower costs without such a drastic reform. That logic made a lot of sense to the crowd.

Congressman Boyd held up the thousand page HR 3200 bill (passed by the House

Energy and Commerce Committee) and said that he "wouldn't vote for this bill in its present form." The people sitting close to me said, "That doesn't tell me anything. What do you favor? If one provision changes, would you vote for it then?" At one point, Boyd warned a questioner that, "There is a lot of misinformation on the internet." The people in the crowd asked, "What about all the misinformation coming from Congress?"

Most of the questions were about health care, but one official from Tri-County Electric took Boyd to task about his vote for the "Cap and Tax" energy bill. Boyd reminded everyone that the bill had only passed the House and wasn't law yet and used the excuse that a national electric co-op lobby group had advised the Agriculture Committee that they could support the bill. The crowd didn't care for that answer.

One questioner said that an important way to cut health care costs was tort reform to prevent lawsuit abuse. Boyd said that he favored tort reform, but he didn't say that the trial lawyers were in the back pocket of the Democrat Party and as long as his party was in charge, tort reform was dead.

The message at the Perry Townhall meeting was clear: we don't want big government to run our lives; fix what you already have rather than add a lot of big ticket entitlements that will cause our taxes to rise. I wouldn't be surprised if Congressman Boyd heard this same message repeatedly, respectfully, but firmly in communities throughout North Florida.

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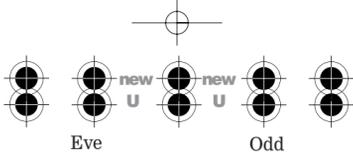
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On August 22, 2009, Officer David Myers responded to Fred's in reference to a theft. Upon arrival, he met with the store manager. The manager reported she observed the Defendant, Tara McNealy conceal items and attempt to leave the store without paying for the items. Officer Myers interviewed McNealy who admitted to taking the items. McNealy was charged with Petit Theft.

On August 22, 2009, Officers Joseph Agner and Joseph Smith responded to Winn Dixie in reference to a person panhandling and intoxicated. Upon arrival, Agner met with the store management who gave a description of a subject and stated the subject was walking around the store, asking other patrons for money and appeared to be intoxicated. The subject left the store before officers arrived. Officer Smith located the subject matching the description given a short distance from Winn Dixie. The subject was identified as John Dale Murray. Officer Smith recovered items from the defendant which were taken from Winn Dixie. Murray was arrested for Petit Theft and Disorderly Intoxication.

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Answer: I know what you mean. A pill that could stop the infection of gum disease would be great! Especially if you could get a 30 day supply for \$10. I am sorry to say this does not exist. Many researchers have dedicated their careers to finding a pill for the infection of gum disease. Naturally, antibiotics are at the top of the list. Researchers discovered the germs mutated and became resistant to the antibiotics very quickly. Additionally, there were many unwanted complications in patients taking chronic daily antibiotics. All in all, pills have failed.

We know that a hygienist cleaning out the bacteria and tartar on teeth is beneficial for preventing gum disease. Gum disease can be controlled and its progression delayed. With routine maintenance the outcome of gum disease can be greatly improved. In my opinion, treat the gum disease and hang on to your teeth as long as you can. Teeth with gum disease are better than any set of dentures will ever be.

My suggestion, see your dentist and hygienist. Don't wait for a mouthwash or pill to cure gum disease.

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established for some reason during the peak of the market years (2005-2008) are the people who will see some tax relief due to specific market drops in the county. The same homeowners also paid the highest taxes during the boom years because their market and assessed values were merely the same.

The millage rates set by the taxing authorities play a key role in the equation needed to lower a homeowner's tax bill. At the local level, a taxpayer may have recourse with the taxing authorities setting millage rates as part of their annual budget process. That is why TRIM notices are mailed, that Information provided on notice advises the public of the dates and times of those hearings.

"The major reason longstanding homestead property owners are not seeing a reduction in taxes, even while market conditions are declining assuming their market value has dropped, is the recapture provisions of 'Save Our Homes,'" stated Barfield. "The provisions of Section 193.155, F.S., mandate an annual increase of three percent (3%) over the prior year, or the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for Florida, whichever is lower, be applied to assessed value.

"In 2009, the CPI applies, since it is lower-it is virtually zero (0.1%) this year. As long as the law stands as written and interpreted, this is what happens. The Property Appraisers' association pressed legislation early on of the 2009 session. Bills were filed, but the shortage of funding this year dominated the session, so the proposed legislation did not make it out of the committee. Local delegation supported bills in 2009 that would have insured that taxable values would not go up when market value dropped. I urge YOU the taxpayers to join us on this issue in 2010. No voice is greater than that of the taxpayer," said Barfield.

If the current declining market condition continues, until such time as market value drops to the assessed value on homestead properties, no reduction in assessed value can occur. Once the two values (market and assessed) are equal, then assessed value will drop at the same rate as market value. Assessed value can never exceed market value.

Property Appraiser Leigh Barfield asks that any questions or concerns you may have, please do not hesitate to call her office at (850) 973-6133 or come by the office, located in the Courthouse Annex.

"We are very willing to answer or explain to you your proposed notice," said Barfield.

Jamboree

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from 6-9 p.m.
Kicking off the event is Lamp Music artists LifeSong. Based out of Madison, LifeSong is formed by three young men, Ethan Brooks (age 17), Bryant Thigpen (age 21) and Steven Gunter (age 26).

The GaddisGirls of North Carolina will take the stage for an animated set. The GaddisGirls tour the southeast, performing at Elvis Conventions and churches. The girls perform gospel music as well as country.

The evening is sponsored by Ashlyn's Rose Petal Florist, Granny's This N That, The Country Store and the Spaghetti House.

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When you return the call, you assume you are making a domestic long distance call - as "649," "809," "284," "876," and other area codes involved in this scam, appear to be typical three-digit U.S. area codes.

When you dial the three-digit area code plus the number, however, you are connected to a phone number outside the United States, often in Canada or the Caribbean, and are charged expensive international call rates, and may be charged for pay-per-call services as well. (In this case, "649" goes to the Turks and Caicos, "809" goes to the Dominican Republic, "284" goes to the British Virgin Islands, and "876" goes to Jamaica.)

You don't find out about the higher international call rates until you receive your phone bill.

What You Can Do to Minimize the Risk of This Happening to You:

Check any unfamiliar area codes before returning calls.

Be aware that there are many 3-digit area codes (mostly in the Caribbean) that connect callers to international telephone numbers.

If you do not otherwise make international calls, ask your local or wireless phone company to block outgoing international calls on your line.

Filing a Complaint with the FCC

If you are billed for a call you made as a result of this scam, first try to resolve the matter with your telephone company. If you are unable to resolve it directly, you can file a complaint with the FCC. There is no charge for filing a complaint. You can file your complaint using an FCC on-line complaint form found at esupport.fcc.gov/complaints.htm. You can also file your complaint with the FCC's Consumer Center by e-mailing fccinfo@fcc.gov; calling 1-888-CALL-FCC (1-888-225-5322) voice or 1-888-TELL-FCC (1-888-835-5322) TTY; faxing 1-866-418-0232; or writing to:

Federal Communications Commission Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau Consumer Inquiries and Complaints Division 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554.

The best way to provide all the information the FCC needs to process your complaint is to complete fully the on-line complaint form. When you open the on-line complaint form, you will be asked a series of questions that will take you to the particular section of the form you need to complete. If you do not use the on-line complaint form, your complaint, at a minimum, should indicate:

- your name, address, e-mail address, and phone number where you can be reached;
- the telephone and account numbers that are the subject of your complaint;
- the name and phone numbers of any companies involved with your complaint;
- the amount of any disputed charges, whether you paid them, whether you received a refund or adjustment to your bill, the amount of any adjustment or refund you have received, an explanation if the disputed charges are related to services in addition to residential or business telephone services; and
- the details of your complaint and any additional relevant information.

Filing a Complaint with the Federal Trade Commission (FTC)

If you feel that you are a victim of an international phone scam, you can file a complaint with the FTC online at <https://www.ftccomplaintassistant.gov>. You can also submit a complaint by calling the FTC toll-free at 1-877-382-4357 (voice) or 1-866-653-4261 (TTY), or writing to:

Federal Trade Commission CRC - 240 600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW Washington, DC 20580.

For information about other telecommunications issues, visit the FCC's Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau Web site at www.fcc.gov/cgb, or contact the FCC's Consumer Center using the information provided for filing a complaint.

Recycling

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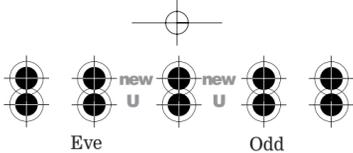
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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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August 28
A special night of music, sponsored by the downtown businesses, will be held Friday, Aug. 28, from 6-9 p.m. Featured groups include the Gaddis Girls and LifeSong.

August 29
The Hamburg-Lovett Volunteer Fire Department will have their annual peanut boil on August 29, from 5 p.m. until. There will be chicken and rice dinners and hotdogs for sale. There will be a cake auction and also activities for children. The Hamburg-Lovett VFD will have quart and gallon bags of peanuts for sale. They will be taking prepaid orders for bushels of peanuts,

which can be picked up at a later date. Go join in the fun. For more information, please call (850) 948-4353 after 7 p.m.

August 29
Children's book author Melissa Burke-Joost will be available to sign copies of her children's book, Johanna Pig and the Diamond Kids on Saturday, Aug. 29, from 11 a.m.-4 p.m., at Books-A-Million, located at 1705 Norman Drive in Valdosta, Ga.

August 29
The Gaddis Family will appear on Saturday, Aug. 29, at Midway Church of God at 7 p.m.

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.

August 30
The Lamont Baptist Church, located at 121 River Road, in Lamont, would like to announce the celebration of paying off the mortgage. A note-burning ceremony will be held on the fifth Sunday, Aug. 30. Services, guest speakers and special music will start at 11 a.m., followed by dinner in the fellowship hall. Go and help celebrate. Everyone is welcome. Call (850) 997-2492 for more information.

August 30
The Gaddis Family will appear at Sirmans Baptist Church at 6 p.m.

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.

Wednesdays in August
Wednesdays at 8:30 a.m. & 1:30 p.m., CJBAT (Criminal Justice Basic Abilities Test) will be given at NFCC Testing Center (Bldg. #16), Madison, Florida. CJBAT is required for acceptance into Corrections & Law Enforcement programs. Photo ID required. Pre-registration is required. To register please call 850/973-9451.

Thursdays in August
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September 2
The Tall Pines Club will meet on Wednesday, September 2, in the Mill Conference Room in Clyattville, Ga. at noon. You may bring a covered dish, make plans to attend for great food, fun and fellowship.

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 10
Join the Madison Woman's Club Thursday, Sept. 10, 11:45 a.m. for a delicious lunch and an inspired program. For further information, please call (850) 973-6873.

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.

September 13
Harmony Baptist Church will hold homecoming on Sunday,

Sept. 13, beginning at 10:30 a.m. There will be singing from 10:30-11:20 a.m. with Ann Isbell and Judy Bentley. Former Pastor Larry Gandy of Moultrie, Ga. will be the guest speaker. Dinner and fellowship will follow the morning services.

September 13
New Bethel Primitive Baptist Church Choir will celebrate their anniversary on Sunday, September 13, at 3 p.m. They are extending invitations to all choirs, soloists and communities.

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.

Obituaries

Pat S. Cantey, Jr.

Pat S. Cantey, Jr., 68, died Sunday, Aug. 23, 2009, at Madison County Memorial Hospital.

Services will be held on Thursday, Aug. 27, 2009, at 11 a.m. at the funeral home with burial at Oak Ridge Cemetery.

Visitation was held Tuesday, Aug. 25, 2009, from 6-8 p.m. at Beggs Funeral Home.

Pat was born in Thomasville, Ga. and grew up in Madison. He graduated from Florida State University in 1962 with a B.S. in Accounting and was a member of the Pi Kappa Phi social fraternity. After college, he served two years in the Army, stationed in South Korea. He returned to Madison to run Cantey Motor Company with his father and later started a

business providing cell phone, computer and Internet services. Pat was a charter member of the Kiwanis Club of Madison and served as president and secretary several times during his long tenure. He enjoyed ham radio and flying radio controlled airplanes on most weekends at the Lee airfield.

He is survived by his wife of 43 years, Elmire; two sons, Patrick and Michael (Mary); a grandson, Aidan; and a sister, Marie Cantey Middlemas.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial donations be sent to the Madison Kiwanis Club Scholarship, P.O. Box 8, Madison, FL 32341 or a charity of your choice.



Lois Clairise Southall

Lois Clairise Southall, age 74, of Madison, died Saturday, Aug. 22, 2009, at Tallahassee Memorial Healthcare Center in Tallahassee.

Funeral services were held at the Beggs Funeral Home Madison Chapel at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 25, 2009. Burial followed at the Macedonia Cemetery in Madison County. Visitation was held Monday, August 24, from 7-9 p.m. at Beggs Chapel.

Mrs. Southall was born in Madison on January 8, 1935 to her parents, Ben B. and Janie R. Merritt, and was a lifelong resident of Madison. She was a teacher's aid in the Madison County School System and a homemaker and a member of Emmanuel Baptist Church.

She is survived by her husband, Randy Southall of Madison; one son, Glenn Southall of Madison; one daughter, Shirley Houston of Pinetta; three brothers, Talmadge Merritt of Ocala, Roy Merritt of Madison and Gene Merritt of Madison; five sisters, Hazel Latner of Ocala, Evelyn Sapp of Ocala, Betty Reams of Ocala, Bonnie Lyons of Ocala and Barbara Durden of Atlanta, Ga.; four grandchildren, Tasha Turner, Angel Lewis, Jill Page and Jenna Southall; and three great-grandchildren, Alyssa Tanner, Logan Tanner and Kadyn Lewis.

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Curves Of Madison Highlights The "Before" And "After" Of Local Member

Curves of Madison knows a fitness transformation isn't impossible and their local member, Lavonte McDaniel, is proof that the Curves system works. The local women's fitness franchise is recognizing Lavonte's success and highlighting the "before" and "after" photos.

Lavonte joined Curves on April 11, 2008 and since then has lost 38.25 inches and 54.5 pounds. She has also lost 8.7% of her body fat. She has been a consistent member since joining and has logged in 192 work outs.

Lavonte reported that the best thing she liked about the Curves program/workout is: "The CurvesSmart system. It lets me know how many calories I burn during a workout. This has been

ment to her fitness program. She has attended Curves consistently, week after week. She never gave up and I commend her for that. Just look at her now!" said Judi Wyche.

Lavonte burns an average of over 500 calories per 30-minute workout. Her strength has increased dramatically since joining Curves and especially since working out on the new CurvesSmart system. CurvesSmart is the newest technology available in the world today and features four different programs to meet the individual strength levels of the women who join. There's the Cardio level for Special Populations; Fit 'N Trim for average fitness; Muscle Size and Strength for the more advanced fitness level; and Endurance for those training for a marathon or other high level endurance/strength event.

Beginning in September, Curves will be offering FREE weight loss classes every Tuesday at 6 p.m. These classes will be open to members and non-members alike. We will show you how you can lose weight and have a support group setting to keep you motivated. Each week we will show DVDs on special topics as well as teach you the Curves weight loss plan.



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very beneficial to my weight loss progress."

When asked how she stayed so consistent with her workouts, Lavonte said, "Since joining Curves, I've noticed changes in my physical and mental well being. Seeing these changes keeps me motivated."

"We are so happy to be honoring Lavonte for her success and glad we could do our part in assisting her with her fitness goals," said Judi Wyche, owner of Curves of Madison, located at 249 SW Range Ave., Suite A, in Madison. "The 'before' and 'after' photos show Lavonte's tremendous achievement. "The dramatic transformation Lavonte has accomplished is just awesome. Her success is a tribute to her dedication and commit-

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Unraveling The "Health Scare" Emails

By Michael Curtis
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As anybody who has an email account will attest, there has been a massive surge in emails dealing with the proposed health care plan (H.R. 3200) circulating lately. The vast majority is against the plan, with allegations of "death panels" among other emotionally and politically charged statements. In an effort to keep the debate on the "reality" of the plan — which isn't to imply there aren't numerous aspects of the proposal that will continue to be subject to debate — the president recently discussed the issue in his weekly radio address.

According to Associated Press Writer Darlene Superville, "President Barack Obama is challenging critics of his push to overhaul the health care system to stop making 'phony claims' about proposals now the subject of intense coast-to-coast debate." Coincidentally, this reporter has a friend from church that he admires as an exceptional businessman and conservative who recently made similar discoveries regarding the claims made by the president.

"This is an issue of vital concern to every American, and I'm glad that so many are engaged. But it also should be an honest debate, not one dominated by willful misrepresentations and

outright distortions, spread by the very folks who would benefit the most by keeping things exactly as they are," the president said. "So today, I want to spend a few minutes debunking some of the more outrageous myths circulating on the Internet, on cable TV and repeated at some town halls across this country."

Superville pointed out that, "Obama said the overhaul would not cover illegal immigrants nor use taxpayer dollars to pay for abortions, and he does not intend a government takeover of health care — as critics have claimed at contentious town hall-style meetings with members of Congress."

"He also took a swipe at 'death panels,' an idea former Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin introduced on her Facebook page," the reporter added.

"As every credible person who has looked into it has said, there are no so-called death panels — an offensive notion to me and to the American people," Obama said. "These are phony claims meant to divide us."

Last week, over three-dozen stop signs in Madison County were vandalized. The crime entailed painting the word "OBAMA" underneath the word "STOP," and it is unlikely the president's address will satisfy critics locally or nationally. As Superville goes on to point out,

"Obama angered his liberal base this past week after seeming to suggest he would be OK with a plan that didn't have a government-run health insurance option."

"This is one idea among many to provide more competition and choice, especially in the many places around the country where just one insurer thoroughly dominates the marketplace," Obama said. "Let me repeat: It would be just an option; those who prefer their private insurer would be under no obligation to shift to a public plan."

The AP article concluded with a statement from Republican opposition.

"Republicans, in their weekly address, accused Obama of being the one misrepresenting his proposal. 'As opposition to the Democrats' government-run health plan is mounting, the president has said he'd like to stamp out some of the disinformation floating around out there,' said Rep. Tom Price, R-Ga. 'The problem is the president, himself, plays fast and loose with the facts.'"

Price notes, "the whole idea should be scrapped and lawmakers should start anew with a plan that ensures sure patients — not Washington or insurance providers — are the top priority."

"We all know that when the government is setting the rules and is backed by tax dollars, it will destroy, not compete with, the private sector," said Price, a doctor. "The reality is, whether or not you get to keep your plan, or your doctor, is very much in question under the president's proposal."

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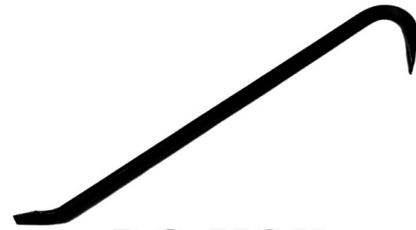
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Health Fair At Senior Center



Tamika Glanton (left) and Jean Carroll

By Bryant Thigpen
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The Senior Citizens Council of Madison County sponsored a health fair at the Greenville Senior Citizens Center on Friday, August 21, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The event was headed by Sharon Underhill, who is the Older American Act Coordinator for the center.

On hand to speak were representatives from businesses that offer services to seniors. Terry Lenz of the Crime Stoppers from the Madison County Sheriff's office. Lenz spoke of the new

Madison hotline number that will be available to Madison residents. Charles Place of the Area



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Agency on Aging spoke for a few minutes and answered questions from the

audience concerning their Medicare or Medicaid plans. Deborah Rivera of Three Rivers Legal Services informed seniors of the programs they have to offer.

After a couple of presenters, seniors enjoyed a light lunch and visited the many different vendors before returning for the second session. Many door prizes were given away in between each speaker.

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The bride is a 2003 graduate of Madison County High School and North Florida Community College and is a 2007 graduate of the University of Florida, Warrington College of Business, with a degree in Marketing. For the past two years, Lauren has been employed with Naylor, LLC as a marketing specialist.

The groom is a 2003 graduate of Durant High School and a 2005 graduate of the University of Florida with a degree in Animal Science. Josh is employed with Intervet/Schering-Plough Animal Health as a Territory Representative for Florida and Georgia.

Lauren is the granddaughter of Doris Newman and the late Norman Newman of Greenville and James and Betty Williams of Madison. The couple now resides in the area of Gainesville.



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Happenings

At

Madison First Baptist Church



By Kristin Finney

Sunday morning worship was Madison First Baptist's Teacher and Staff Appreciation Day.

We would like to thank all of the teaching staff who joined in our Sunday morning worship. Beth Carey presented the message through song. She sang "Masterpiece."

This was followed by the offertory prayer being given by Dennis DeHart. The Worship Choir then sang "Your First Day in Heaven." Pastor Ferrell's message came from Deuteronomy 6 on the three sermons of Moses.

The following events will be happening for Madison First Baptist in the next month: This Saturday will be Madison First Baptist's last work day. We would like to thank everyone that has helped. Children's Choirs have begun and will continue every Sunday at 6 p.m. Children from three-year olds-sixth graders are invited to attend. On August 13 at 2 p.m. at Lee First Baptist, there will be a Senior Adult Ice Cream Social.

Madison First Baptist still is in need of more AWANA helpers. If you are interested, please contact Becky or Heath Driggers. There will be an Associational Key Leader Workshop August 25 at 7 p.m. There will also be a SAM meeting September 2.

We would like to invite you to join us for our services! Our worship schedule is as follows: Sunday school 10 a.m.-11 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship 11 a.m.-12 noon. Sunday Evening Worship 6-7 p.m., followed by youth dinner and fellowship until 8 p.m. Wednesday evening services begin at 6 p.m. for both the adults and youth and lasts until 8 p.m.

Our prayers this week go to John-Mac Smith, who will be starting college this Monday in Tallahassee. We also would like to pray for everyone who is beginning, or has already begun, this new school year. We would also like to pray for Buddy McWilliams, may the Lord be with him as well as our prayers.

God bless.

Bennetts To Present Missions Work Program



The Bennetts will appear at Lee First Baptist Church on Sunday night. Pictured back row, left to right: Candace, Mark, Josh and Vickee Bennett. In front: Montine Bennett.

The Bennetts will present a program of their Esperanza Missions Work in Mexico at Lee First Baptist Church on Sunday evening, August 23, at 7 p.m.

Wallace and Montine Bennett began their mission work in Mexico in the 1950s. Presently, Montine and family are carrying on this work.

Lee First Baptist Church extends an invitation to be with them this Sunday night.

Revival Set At Macedonia Baptist Church

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

Services will begin at Sunday morning, Aug. 23, at 11 a.m. and run through Wednesday night, Aug. 26.

Evening services will begin at 7 p.m.

The guest speaker will be former pastor Bill Reynolds, of Alabama. Brother Reynolds was the pastor of the church during the early 1970s. Go out and join them, celebrating the Word of God.



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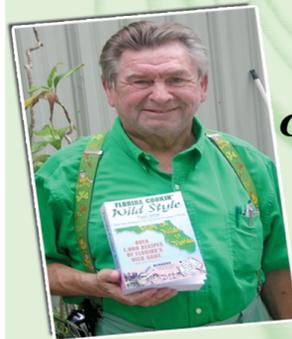
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Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.
Worship Service.....11:00 a.m.
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Unity Baptist Church

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Dr. Murrell Bennett, Pastor
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Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship Service.....11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship Service.....6:00 p.m.
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Choir Practice (Sunday Evening).....7:00 p.m.
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Discipleship Training.....5:30 p.m.
Evening Worship Service.....6:30 p.m.
Wednesday Worship.....7:00 p.m.

Madison Church of God

771 NE Colin Kelly Hwy., Madison, FL.
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Rev. Doyle Glass, Pastor
Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night Service.....7:00 p.m.

Lee First Baptist Church

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Sunday Services
Morning Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Sunday Bible Study.....9:45 a.m.
Discipleship Training.....6:00 p.m.
Sunday Evening Worship.....7:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening:
Services Wed Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.
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Dannite H. Mays

By Alfa Hunt

Special to the Madison Enterprise-Recorder

Dannite Hill Mays served as a representative to the Florida House and would later serve two terms as a United States Congressman.

Mays was born near Madison, close to the Hicktown area, on April 28, 1852. For several years, he attended the Madison County schools before attending the public schools of Savannah, Ga. after his family relocated. After completing his secondary education, Mays furthered his education at Washington and Lee University in Lexington, Va. After receiving his degree, Mays moved to Monticello, where he became engrossed in his agricultural pursuits.

Mays' political career began in 1888 when he served as a delegate to the Democratic State Convention. Later, his political pursuits grew when he became a member of the State House of Representatives in 1891, then was reelected in 1895 and 1897. In the later months of 1897, Mays eventually served as Speaker of the House.

In the 1891 legislature, Jefferson County was represented by W.C. Thomas in the senate and Mays and John E. Morris in the House. Mays continued to serve in the Florida House of Representatives in 1895 and 1897.

During an angry election which lasted longer than a month, Mays received a large amount of support that encouraged him to replace Senator Wilkinson Call on several of the election ballots. The battle ended with the governor certifying the election of R.H.M. Davidson and Call challenging the certificate to the United States Senate. The senators quickly decided in favor of Call whom they had been known for the last 12 years.

While Mays was Speaker of the House in 1897, another battle between Call and William Dudley Chipley, Call's greatest personal and political enemy, ensued. This time, the electoral battle ended with Call's defeat and Chipley's death shortly afterward under mysterious circumstances.

Both William B. Lamar and Mays continued as leaders of the Democratic Party. Mays ran for governor in 1900, and both men served in Congress later years.

At the last Democratic nominating convention at Jacksonville in 1900, Mays was a leading gubernatorial candidate. In the famous 1897 Call-Chipley senatorial election battle, Mays had used his influence as Speaker of the House against Senator Call; however he was opposed for the nomination by a growing liberal wing of the Democratic Party. Supported by Napoleon Bonaparte Broward of Duval County, William S. Jennings defeated Mays for the nomination.

In the first state wide primary election in 1904, Mays ran for governor against Broward,

Robert W. Davis and C.M. Brown. Finishing third in the election, he gave his support to Davis who ended up losing to Broward in the runoff.

In 1908, Mays ran for Congress to fill the seat that was about to be vacated by his Jefferson County neighbor William B. Lamar. With his success in serving as a Congressman, he then served two Congressional terms before being defeated for reelection in 1912.

Mays' life not only revolved around his political career, but also his personal interest and business endeavors. By the 1890s, some of the local businessmen died or moved away, but many of those who had been in business during the post-Civil War years remained. Mays had a degree in law and was admitted to the bar shortly after the completion of his education. In the 1890s, he and another local lawyer, Benjamin W. Partridge, were doing business together under the firm Mays and Partridge. In 1901, some of the practicing attorney's were Mays, Samuel Pasco, T.L. Clarke, S.D. Clarke, Thomas M Puleston, William B. Lamar, Daniel A. Finlayson, B.J. Hamrick, and C.W. Hamrick. Included among them were in United States senator, two Congressmen, and several state legislators and judges. The practice of law was largely concerned with civil cases. Petty crimes were numerous, but only a few larger cases came before the courts of the local areas.

Several large farms continued to operate with large numbers of tenants. They took liens on growing crops for the rent and advanced provisions on credit either from general supply stores on their land or through the local merchants. Some of these were John E. Morris, John B. Mays, H.B. Hines, the John Finlayson estate, and Mays. A large commissary was operated in Ashville just over the Madison/Jefferson County border by Mays and John Finlayson III.

There were several mule dealers in the county in addition to the general merchants who handled the necessary work animal. Mays had a mule business in Monticello from the mid-1890s until the early 1920s.

As the land was gradually bought up and closed to access of the general public, several Jefferson County residents formed their own Welaunee Hunting and Fishing Club and purchased from the estate of Charles T. Carroll about 200 acres of land on Welaunee Pond. Members of the club were Mays, Franklin Floyd, J.R. Cooksey, S.C. Walker, C.J. Reams, S.A. Ward, Charles Simmons, L.W. Sledge and others.

Mays' personal interest lied with the numerous clubs of which he was part. The Jefferson Rifle Company was replaced in popularity by the Monticello Gun Club which featured target competitions between individuals, and even teams



Dannite H. Mays

from other towns. The newspaper was amused in 1886 when the club failed to turn in the scores of a contest. It turned out that R.C. Parkhill, who had never before shot at a moving target, made the best score of the day to the chagrin of some of the experts. In May 1866, Mays won the club's silver badge for target shooting the third straight year. Even though much of his time was spent in Jefferson County, he did have some dealings in his native county of Madison. He was a member of the Concord Baptist Church since it was his father, R.J. Mays who had assisted in the organization of the church years before.

After his defeat for renomination to Congress in 1912, Mays returned to Monticello where he resumed his agricultural and business pursuits. He died at his home in Monticello on May 9, 1930 and was interred at Roseland Cemetery in Jefferson County.

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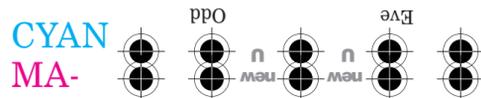
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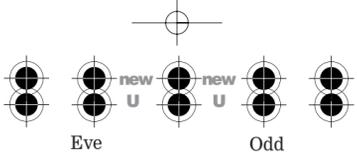
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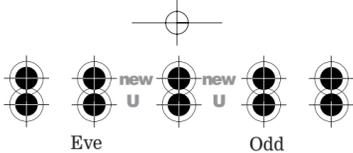
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS
NOTICE OF INTENT TO FIND
CITY OF MADISON
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT(S) IN COMPLIANCE
DOCKET NO. 08-PEFE1-NO1-4004-(A)-(I)

The Department gives notice of its intent to find the Amendment(s) to the Comprehensive Plan for City of Madison, adopted by Ordinance No. 2008-2 on July 8, 2008, IN COMPLIANCE, pursuant to Sections 163.3184, 163.3187 and 163.3189, F.S.

The adopted City of Madison Comprehensive Plan Amendment(s) and the Department's Objections, Recommendations and Comments Report, (if any), are available for public inspection Monday through Friday, except for legal holidays, during normal business hours, at the City of Madison, City Hall, 109 West Rutledge Street, Madison, Florida 32340.

Any affected person, as defined in Section 163.3184, F.S., has a right to petition for an administrative hearing to challenge the proposed agency determination that the Amendment(s) to the City of Madison Comprehensive Plan are In Compliance, as defined in Subsection 163.3184(1), F.S. The petition must be filed within twenty-one (21) days after publication of this notice, and must include all of the information and contents described in Uniform Rule 28-106.201, F.A.C. The petition must be filed with the Agency Clerk, Department of Community Affairs, 2555 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2100, and a copy mailed or delivered to the local government. Failure to timely file a petition shall constitute a waiver of any right to request an administrative proceeding as a petitioner under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S. If a petition is filed, the purpose of the administrative hearing will be to present evidence and testimony and forward a recommended order to the Department. If no petition is filed, this Notice of Intent shall become final agency action.

If a petition is filed, other affected persons may petition for leave to intervene in the proceeding. A petition for intervention must be filed at least twenty (20) days before the final hearing and must include all of the information and contents described in Uniform Rule 28-106.205, F.A.C. A petition for leave to intervene shall be filed at the Division of Administrative Hearings, Department of Management Services, 1230 Apalachee Parkway, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3060. Failure to petition to intervene within the allowed time frame constitutes a waiver of any right such a person has to request a hearing under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S., or to participate in the administrative hearing.

After an administrative hearing petition is timely filed, mediation is available pursuant to Subsection 163.3189(3)(a), F.S., to any affected person who is made a party to the proceeding by filing that request with the administrative law judge assigned by the Division of Administrative Hearings. The choice of mediation shall not affect a party's right to an administrative hearing.

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STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS
NOTICE OF INTENT TO FIND
TOWN OF LEE
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT(S) IN COMPLIANCE
DOCKET NO. 08-PEFE1-NO1-4003-(A)-(I)

The Department gives notice of its intent to find the Amendment(s) to the Comprehensive Plan for Town of Lee, adopted by Ordinance No. 2007-09 on July 1, 2009, IN COMPLIANCE, pursuant to Sections 163.3184, 163.3187 and 163.3189, F.S.

The adopted Town of Lee Comprehensive Plan Amendment(s) and the Department's Objections, Recommendations and Comments Report, (if any), are available for public inspection Monday through Friday, except for legal holidays, during normal business hours, at the Town of Lee, Town Clerk's Office, 304 North Main Street, Lee, Florida 32059.

Any affected person, as defined in Section 163.3184, F.S., has a right to petition for an administrative hearing to challenge the proposed agency determination that the Amendment(s) to the Town of Lee Comprehensive Plan are In Compliance, as defined in Subsection 163.3184(1), F.S. The petition must be filed within twenty-one (21) days after publication of this notice, and must include all of the information and contents described in Uniform Rule 28-106.201, F.A.C. The petition must be filed with the Agency Clerk, Department of Community Affairs, 2555 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2100, and a copy mailed or delivered to the local government. Failure to timely file a petition shall constitute a waiver of any right to request an administrative proceeding as a petitioner under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S. If a petition is filed, the purpose of the administrative hearing will be to present evidence and testimony and forward a recommended order to the Department. If no petition is filed, this Notice of Intent shall become final agency action.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF FLORIDA,
THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR
MADISON COUNTY.

In re the marriage of
CASE NO.: 2009-246-DR

JENNIFER ANN BLESY,
Wife,
and
JEFFREY D. BLESY,
Husband.

NOTICE TO PRODUCE AT HEARING

TO: JEFFEREY D. BLESY
c/o Edwin Bailey Browning, III
Attorney at Law
Post Office Box 652
Madison, FL 32341

Pursuant to Florida Rules of Civil Procedure 1.350, the Husband is requested to serve his written response hereto and produce, for inspection and copying, at or before the Hearing scheduled in this matter on September 14 at 3:30 p.m., the originals, or copies if the originals,--are not available, of those items listed below:

- A Financial Affidavit;
- Federal, State, Gift and Intangible Returns filed in the past 3 years;
- W-2 for 2008 if past year income tax return not filed;
- 1099 for past year if income tax return not filed;
- K-1 for past year if income tax return not filed;
- 2006, 2007 and 2008 Income Tax Returns;
- Pay stubs or evidence of income for 3 months prior to service of Financial Affidavit;
- Statement identifying amount and source of all income received from any source during the 3 months preceding service of Financial Affidavit if not reflected on pay stubs;
- All loan applications and financial statements within 12 months preceding service of Financial Affidavit for any purpose;
- All deeds within the last 3 years;
- All promissory notes within the last 12 months;
- All present leases owned;
- All periodic statements from the last 3 months for all checking accounts, and from the last 12 months for all other accounts;
- All brokerage account statements held within the last 12 months;
- Most recent statement for any profit sharing, retirement, deferred compensation, or pension plan (IRA, SEP, 401 (k), 403 (b), KEOGH) and summary plan description for any plan;
- Declarations page, last periodic statement, and certificate for all life insurance policies, whether group or otherwise;
- All current health and dental insurance cards covering parties or dependent children;
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- All promissory notes for the last 12 months;
- All credit card statements for the last 3 months;
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- All present lease agreements;
- All written premarital or marital agreements and/or modifications;
- All documents showing special equity or nonmarital status of an asset or debt; and
- Any court order directing a party to pay or receive spousal or child support.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Notice to Produce at Hearing has been furnished by U.S. Mail: Edwin Bailey Browning, III, Post Office Box 652, Madison, FL 32341, this 20th day of August, 2009.

KATHLEEN C. FOX

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The following is a list of unclaimed bond money held by the Madison County Sheriffs Office. Persons having or claiming any interest in said funds or any portion thereof shall file their written claims with the Sheriff or Clerk of Court and shall make sufficient proof to said Sheriff or Clerk of his ownership and upon so doing shall be entitled to receive any part of the money so claimed. Unless such bond money is claimed on or before the first day of September, 2009, same shall be declared forfeited and all claims in reference thereto are forever barred.

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NOTICE OF HEARING

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on the 15th day of September, 2009, at 3:30 p.m., the undersigned will bring on to be heard the Wife's MOTION TO COMPEL before the Honorable Gregory S. Parker- Circuit Judge, Madison County Courthouse, Madison, Florida. Time allocated is thirty minutes.

Persons with disabilities requesting reasonable accommodations to participate in this proceeding should contact (850) 253-0165 (Voice & TDD) or via Florida Relay Service at (800) 955-8771.

PLEASE GOVERN YOURSELF ACCORDINGLY!

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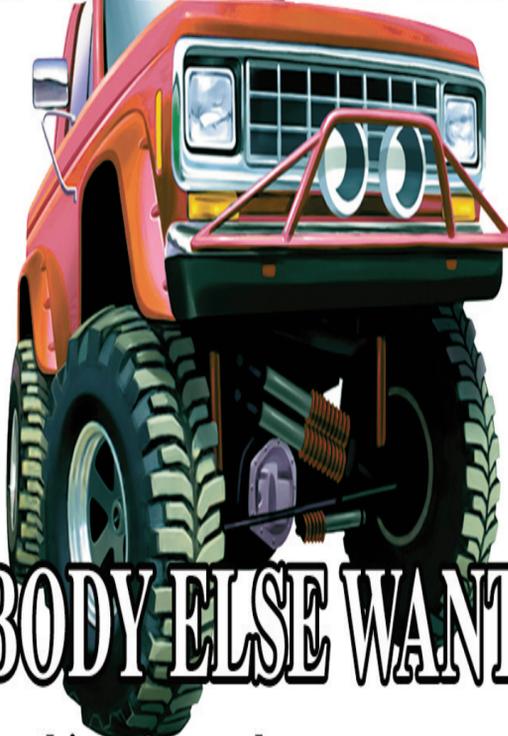
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District Prepares For Great Year

By Michael Curtis
Greene Publishing, Inc.
The Madison County School District opened its doors on August 24, as students and staff returned for a new year of reading and math, football and friends, along with all the other subjects, sports and activities that make up the school year.

In preparation for that return, on Thursday, August 20, district and school staff gathered at the Central School for a morning of information and motivation. Superintendent Lou Miller opened the occasion with a warm welcome, which was followed by several speakers, each with a special message that reminded everyone about the importance of teaching and learning, as well as giving and receiving.

"Remember that students are watching



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The ladies from Greenville show their spirit during the district meeting held on August 24 at the Central School.

us," Miller recalled, as she recited a poem accompanied by a moving PowerPoint presentation that illustrated the immense difference a

teacher can make in a student's life. A little while later, Merv Mattair, a local author and teen advocate, echoed her sentiments with an

energized speech, recognizing many in attendance who played a role in turning his life around. It served as proof that opportunity is available for everyone with the right focus and teamwork.

Last year's Teacher of the Year, Christi Adams, also spoke, relating a colorful story that urged everyone to live life fully, to enjoy new experiences, and to inspire those they teach. She, like Mattair, praised those throughout the district who played a role in developing the skills and character that led to her award.

In addition to district personnel and guest speakers, representatives from local banks and insurance companies were on hand to introduce themselves and hand out a few door prizes. Willy Gamalero, chair of United Way in Madison County, added to this spirit of giving with a brief musical presentation that involved numerous school staff and volunteers, noting the importance of supporting local charities.

Miller shared a few statistics with the group, including an overview of the district's overall report card. Last year's measures in reading, math, writing and science were reviewed. Additionally, she noted the state objective to have 85 percent of all students on grade level in all subjects by 2014. And while this leaves some ground to cover, recent improvements at the Central School, not to mention the exemplary

strides at Greenville Elementary over the last few years, has created a strong sense of, "Yes, we can!"

The Madison County School District has almost 2,700 students and is the largest employer in the county. Along with parents, it is also the front line for preparing future workers and business owners, as they move through school with the intention of college or productive vocations. The gathering

underscored this goal, recognizing the fact that small rural counties, especially those that have experienced generational poverty, depend on their school systems more than ever to help fill the gap. Based on the enthusiasm and unity displayed at the meeting, it's safe to say that district personnel are determined to make that goal a reality.

Michael Curtis can be reached at michael@greenepublishing.com.



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Local bank representatives and vendors set up tables to introduce themselves at the district kick-off held Thursday, August 20 at the Central School.



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Teacher of the Year Christi Adams inspired those attending the countywide meeting at the Central School with a message reminding everyone to live fully and give fully to all students they touch.



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Merv Mattair asks Lou Miller to assist him as he asks all attending the countywide district meeting to declare, "I am royalty!"

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Superintendent Lou Miller addresses district personnel at the Central School on August 20. She gave an inspired message, along with a review of the statistical goals for the district.

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