

### Second Arrest Made In Campbell Murder Case

Madison County Sheriff Ben Stewart reports that a second arrest has been made in the homicide case of James Edward Campbell.

Investigators from the Madison County Sheriff's Office, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, and

the Third Circuit State Attorney's Office have arrested and charged Jeremiah Gillyard, 20, with fraudulent use of a credit card and possession of stolen property in relation to the homicide.

At this time the investigation is ongoing. Anyone with any infor-



Jeremiah Gillyard

mation regarding this crime is urged to call the Madison County Sheriff's Office at 850-973-4001.

Funeral services will be held for Campbell on Friday, April 6, at 10 a.m. with burial immediately following the funeral in Campbell Cemetery in Greenville.

### Blair Payne Announces Candidacy For Public Defender

Lake City attorney M. Blair Payne announced his candidacy for the office of Third Judicial Circuit Public Defender. Payne is a native of Hamilton County and 1973 graduate of Hamilton County High School. He obtained his Associate's degree from what was then known as North Florida Junior College in Madison, and obtained his Bachelor's degree from Valdosta State. After working one year at Occidental Chemical Company (now known as PCS) in White Springs, he enrolled at Stetson University College of Law where he graduated first in his class.



After obtaining his law degree, Payne immediately began practicing in the Third Circuit with the law firm of Darby, Peele, Bowdoin & Payne, where he remained for 27 years. Although his practice focused on civil and criminal litigation, he also served as City Attorney for the City of Jasper and Assistant City Attorney for the City of Lake City.

In 2010, Payne joined the Third Circuit Public Defender's Office as the Circuit Court Division Chief for the Lake City office. In this position, he super-

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### Holton Named Volunteer of the Year



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After two years, Annie Holton recently finished this gorgeous Cathedral Window Quilt.

Annie Holton is the Madison County Senior Center's Volunteer of the Year for 2011, an award she received recently at the Area Agency on Agency in Tallahassee.

A superb quilter, Holton has volunteered with

the Center since 2009. She welcomes fellow seniors to join the Sewing and Quilting Group that meets weekday mornings at the Madison County Senior Center, 1161 SW Harvey Greene Drive, just off State Road 14 South. The phone number is (850) 973-4241.

### Granddaughter Of Local Couple Wins Scholarship



Sydney Robbins grew up playing soccer and softball. She did not pick up a golf club until sixth grade at Deerlake Middle School. She was juggling both softball and golf for her first two years at Chiles and was even moved up to the varsity softball team her sophomore year. However, when her junior year rolled around, she decided to focus solely on golf. During her career at Chiles, she earned numerous awards such as:

- 9th grade—Scholar Athlete Award (CHS)~ 2008
- Most Improved (CHS) (during the season)~ 2008
- 2nd team All Big Bend -2008
- 10th grade—Team City Champions- 2009
- Team District Champions- 2009
- Scholar Athlete Award-2010
- Highest GPA Award (CHS)~2009
- 2nd team All Big Bend -2009
- 11th grade—Team District Champions- 2010
- Team Regional 2nd place- 2010
- Team T-12th place F. State Championships -2010
- Sportsmanship Award-2010
- Scholar Athlete Award-2010
- 2nd team All Big Bend -2010
- 12th grade—Team City Champions-2011
- Team 2nd place district- 2011
- 1st Team All Big Bend -2011
- Academic scholar award (CHS)- 2011
- Most Improved (CHS) (from last season) -2011

She has also managed to maintain a 4.12 grade point average while staying very active in her youth group at Deer Lake United Methodist Church. Now she will be playing golf for Huntingdon College in Montgomery, Alabama. Surrounded by family and friends, Sydney signed her letter of intent on March 30. Sydney said that she knew Huntingdon was the place for her when she went to visit there with her parents, Rory and Kayla, in November. She especially loves the fact that it is a Christian college. Sydney is the granddaughter of B.J. and Inda Tinney.

### MCHS JV & Varsity Cheer Tryouts

By Kristin Finney  
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It's that time of year again. Time to select a new squad to cheer on the Cowboys and Cowgirls next school year.

The squad chosen during these tryouts will cheer on the Cowboys next football season and the Cowgirls next basketball season.

This year's tryouts will be held on Monday, April 23-Thursday, April 26.

Tryouts will be in the MCHS gym from 4:00-5:30 p.m. There will also be a MANDATORY pre-tryout meeting on Tuesday, April 10 at 4:00 p.m.

For more information, or if you have any questions, please contact cheerleading sponsor, Ruth Ann Latner at 973-5061 ext. 155. You can also email her at ruth.latner@madisonmail.us.

### Madison Hospital Holds 2012 Disaster Exercise



Photo submitted by Pat Lightcap

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Madison County Memorial Hospital staff met with representatives of their community partners to complete their annual disaster drill on Tuesday, March 27, 2012.

This year personnel from clinical, maintenance and administrative departments participated in a "tabletop" exercise at the Madison County Emergency Operations Center. They met with various organizations including State and local Health Departments, Emergency Management and Amateur Radio.

The drill, facilitated by Gail Stewart of the Florida Department of Health, Public Health and EMS Preparedness, provided the opportunity for face-to-face discussions aimed at overcoming difficult situations presented in the real-

world scenario of a county-wide medical crisis.

Those present felt this format enhanced the personal professional relationships needed for effective responses to community disasters. Results of the exercise provided guidelines for enhancing the hospitals disaster preparedness.

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#### Local Weather

<b>Thu</b> 4/5 82/67 Slight chance of a thunderstorm. Potential for severe thunderstorms.		<b>Fri</b> 4/6 80/57 A few thunderstorms possible.		<b>Sat</b> 4/7 81/56 Mainly sunny. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the mid 50s.		<b>Sun</b> 4/8 83/58 Sunshine. Highs in the low 80s and lows in the upper 50s.	
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# VIEWPOINTS & OPINIONS

## Red, White & True Mysteries

### Actor known for his distinctive voice overcame severe stuttering problem

James was born in 1931 in Arkabutla, Mississippi, to Robert and Ruth Jones. The couple split up before James was born, and James wouldn't meet his father until he was 25 years old.

When James was five, he went to live with his maternal grandparents on their farm near Dublin, Michigan. The move, though, was so traumatic for James that it caused him to stutter. All through grade school and into high school, James had such a serious stuttering problem that he didn't talk with anyone outside of his family, and his conversations with them were minimal. At school, he was basically a mute.

His grandparents weren't able to solve his stuttering problem, but one day in high school a teacher named Donald Crouch helped him overcome it. Knowing that James had a talent for writing, Mr. Crouch gave an assignment for each student to write a poem. James wrote his poem about the fruit that the government had distributed to local families in an effort to ease the burden caused by a shortage during World War II. He titled his poem, "Ode to Grapefruit."

Now, we all enjoy a nice piece of grapefruit now and then, but it's not something that would usually inspire us to write a poem about it. Well, citrus fruit was pretty rare during the wintertime in Michigan during World War II and, apparently, it was worth writing about for James.

The teacher pretended that he didn't think James could have written the poem himself, so he asked him to prove it by reciting it aloud in class — by heart. Normally, James would not have been able to do this because of his stuttering problem, but since he had memorized the words in the poem, he was able to recite the poem in front of the whole class flawlessly.

The class discovered at that point what everyone else knows today — that James has an excellent voice. To paraphrase a slogan from the E.F. Hutton ads: When James speaks, people listen, because his deep bass voice is that distinctive.

James went on to receive his de-

gree from the University of Michigan, then he served in the military and later became an actor. It was his love of speech that fueled his passion for acting, because for eight years he basically could not speak.

James' first major acting role was that of boxer Jack Johnson in *The Great White Hope* in 1969, a role which earned James a Tony award. Ironically, James' father was a boxer before he became an actor. You probably recognize some of his lines in some of his other work ...

#### "NO, I AM YOUR FATHER"

This line was from the 1977 *Star Wars* movie, in which James provided the voice of Darth Vader. By the way, in case you've ever wondered what the name "Darth Vader" means, here's the answer: In 2005 George Lucas explained that Darth is a contraction of "Dark Lord of the Sith," while Vader is a variation of the word "father" (the Dutch word for father is vader). So Darth Vader translates into Dark Father.

And on TV, you've probably heard this line at least a hundred times ...

#### "THIS ... IS CNN"

As a result of these three words, James has become known as the voice of CNN.

He was also in *Dr. Strangelove, Field of Dreams, The Hunt for Red October* and *The Lion King*, among many other movies. He was also the first celebrity to appear on *Sesame Street*, in 1969.

James Jones uses his middle name, just like his father, Robert Earl Jones, did. And like his father, James' middle name is Earl.

As in James Earl Jones. But you knew that all along, didn't you?

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National Security

Joe Boyles  
Guest Columnist

## Stray Vectors

Editor's note: "Stray Vectors" is the author's byline for random thoughts on the passing scene.

I hear a lot of my friends extolling the virtue of solar energy. What I don't hear them talking about is land use. It takes a huge amount of space (acreage) to collect enough of the sun's energy to be useful. Until scientists can figure out how to concentrate the energy, it simply isn't economically viable.

I read an article on retirement which named the ten worst states to live out your "golden years." Let's cut to the chase. They're all in the northeast and upper Midwest where it's cold and taxes are high. Two of Florida's great advantages for growth have been our mild climate and zero income tax. Ya'll come on.

The Obamamites are proud of the fact that high gas prices are leading to less use, but is that good? Aren't higher energy expenditures tied to a booming economy?

As 2011 closed, the national debt stood at \$15.22 trillion (with a "t"). Is this the road to ruin? How quick is the trip?

California retread Governor Jerry Brown has proposed to his legislature a "modest" 7 percent increase in spending ... to be paid for by higher taxes. "Tax & spend" liberals (but wait; I repeat myself) like Brown can't help themselves — it's in their DNA.

Presidential advisor Valerie Jarrett claims that unemployment stimulates the economy because the unemployed spend their government checks on consumer goods. How ignorant is that? These are the people who are running the country ... into the ground.

Is it proper to drug test welfare recipients and deny benefits if the test comes back positive? In my opinion, yeah, it makes a lot of sense! Why should we use taxpayer funds to subsidize illegal drug activity? Some argue this is demeaning. I say tough cookies. If you're on the dole, prove that the money won't be used to get high.

In February, there were no new jobs created in the critical construction industry. Wonder how much that situation would improve if the administration would get behind build-

ing the Keystone XL pipeline from Canada to the Gulf Coast refineries?

President Obama's main reelection campaign message is that "everyone should pay their fair share in taxes."

That's hard to argue with ... but what's "fair?" Maybe your definition of fair and mine differ. If the top one percent pay 38 percent of all income taxes as is currently the case, is that fair? If 46 percent of the people pay no income tax at all, is that fair? What do you mean by "fair share?"

Could stepping up domestic oil exploration have a positive impact on the price of fuel? I bet it would. Just the announcement that we are: a) opening ANWR to oil and gas production; b) approving the Keystone XL pipeline; and c) expanding offshore drilling leases would have an immediate effect on speculators and the high prices they're driving.

From all that I can gather, Cindy Vees is doing a fine job as our Chamber of Commerce executive. This is a subject I have personal experience with since I had the same job a dozen years ago. She appears to have the vision, personality, and patience to do excellent work for our community. Way to go Cindy.

Is it discriminatory to require a voter to show a photo id to prove his identity? All the law requires is for you to prove that you are who you say you are before voting? You can't board an airplane without a photo id. There are lots of things you can't do without proving who you are. Why should voting be any less important?

The "official" unemployment rate may be 8.3 percent, but 24 million unemployed and underemployed Americans tell a different story. If the job inventory when Obama took office was the same as today, the unemployment rate would be 10.8 percent. Maybe that's why it doesn't feel like much of a recovery.

The Congressional Budget Office (CBO) now estimates the cost of Obamacare for the ten years from 2013-22 to be \$1.76 trillion, nearly double the 2010 estimate of \$940 billion. Congress and the president lied to us. As Gomer Pyle said, "surprise, surprise."

For those who are paying attention, the national debt has increased more in Obama's three years than George Bush did in eight.

Liberal commentator Paul Krugman of the *New York Times* is upset because the public is "paranoid" over high gasoline prices. Typical thinking for someone who lives in a metro enclave like NYC with tons of mass transit options. Does the guy even own a car?

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## Leadership Task Force Promotes Prevention Of Teen Pregnancy And STDs In Madison County



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Leadership task force members are committed to educating parents and youth in Madison County regarding the importance of healthy choices; pictured left to right: Sam Shivers, Ksena Zipperer, Bernice Robinson, Tonya Bell, Angelina Curtis and Shelly Renfro.

Data from the Florida Department of Health indicates AIDS related illnesses are the leading cause of death for black women between the ages of 25-44 in Florida. In the US, one in two young people will have an STD by age 25. And in Madison County, teen pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases in youth, including HIV/AIDS, occur at rates over 50 percent higher than the state as a whole. Responding to these alarming numbers, local volunteers partnered with representatives from the Florida Department of Education and Ounce of Prevention Fund of Florida to establish a leadership task force whose focus is introducing educational opportunities for parents and youth throughout the community.

Following several outreach planning workshops, task force members conducted brief presentations to over 140 parents and youth, providing them information about the youth STD rates and the effects of births to teens. The group also established strategic partnerships with faith-based sponsors and teen advocacy groups, such as Evergreen Missionary Baptist Church and boys to Kings. "This situation is urgent and threatens our entire county. All of us must work together to find permanent solutions for our youth, which is why we are offering our facility and staff to support the effort," Elder Sim Alexander noted.

The primary goal of the task force is to recruit parents to become involved in a coalition that will work to impact teen pregnancy and STD rates in our youth. The task force members also promote a training class for parents centered on the importance of parents as their child's first sexuality educator entitled, *Beyond the Birds and the Bees*. A parent training was held at the North Florida Community College Student Center on March 5th from 6-8 p.m. Hosted by Ksena Zipperer, HIV/AIDS Prevention Education Coordinator from the FLDOE Office of Healthy Schools, and moderated by Sam Shivers of the Madison County Health Department, all in attendance agreed the presentation offered a wide range of useful insights and tools for effectively speaking to youth about the importance and urgency of healthy choices. In addition to this timely program, another great community resource and source of information for parent assistance is the Making Proud Choices co-ed training for youth ages 12-15, which will begin on May 5, 2012 at a convenient location in Madison.

To join the leadership task force or to receive information for your organization or youth, call Craig Wilson at (850) 973-5000, ext. 219, or email him at [craig\\_wilson@doh.state.fl.us](mailto:craig_wilson@doh.state.fl.us).

## Blair Payne

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vises felony division attorneys, represents individuals charged with serious offenses, and handles capital murder cases throughout the seven-county circuit.

Payne has served on the Third Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission, and currently serves as chair of the Third Circuit Grievance Committee. He is a member of the Florida Public Defenders Association Death Penalty Steering Committee, which formulates training programs for lawyers in both the private and public sectors. He is also a frequent guest lecturer at the University of Florida College of Law, and is a leader in the James C. Adkins Inn of Court.

"If elected, my goal is to provide legal representation as required by the Constitution as economically and efficiently as possible. I believe my management experience from over 25 years in the private sector will be invaluable in meeting this goal."

*Paid by Blair Payne, Democrat, for Public Defender, third Judicial Circuit.*

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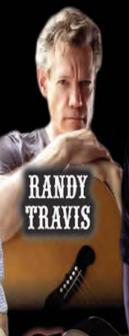
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# AROUND MADISON COUNTY

## Obituary

### James Edward Campbell

On Saturday, March 24, 2012, we were hit, we were hit, we were blindsided, we never expected it. Our beloved brother, uncle, cousin, friend, dedicated educator, mentor, coach, James Edward Campbell, of Madison, passed away tragically in his home around March 15.



Edward was born June 20, 1936 to John Thomas and Nina Jane Campbell, their youngest child. He served in the United States Air Force and was stationed in Germany. He earned his B.S. degree in Social Studies Education from FSU and a Master of Education with a major in Administration and Supervision from Northeast Louisiana University.

Edward became a teacher and a coach at Gulf Junior High School in January 1964 where he taught American History and coached several sports. In 1972, he became Dean of Boys and later that year became an assistant principal. In February 1973, Ed became principal of Gulf Junior High School. Following almost two years in that position, he became principal of Gulf High School. In August of 1978, he became Supervisor of Student Services in the district office. He and Art Engle were instrumental in organizing a Stadium Committee, which worked diligently to build Des Little Stadium (Golf High School's football stadium). He continued mentoring children until his untimely death.

There is no way to capture his life in a few paragraphs in an obituary. Knowing him, loving him and recognizing his humanity, goodness and kindness to all those whose paths he crossed is the greatest tribute and his lasting legacy to all who knew him. It is with great sadness that those of you that never met him will never meet him here on Earth.

Edward was preceded in death by his parents, a brother, two sisters, three nephews and one niece. Of the many left to cherish his memory are his sisters, Edith Townsend and Velma McRae, a brother, Alec Campbell, and numerous nephews, nieces, cousins, great nephews and great nieces, great grand-nephews and great grand-nieces, friends, colleagues and former students.

Funeral services are planned for 10 a.m. on Good Friday, April 6, 2012, at the Hickory Grove United Methodist Church, 1218 NE Hickory Grove Road, Pinetta. Interment will be at the Campbell Harmony Cemetery in Lamont following the service. A memorial fund has been established to help defray funeral expenses and fulfill Edward's passion for completion of his family's "meeting place" on the cemetery property. Family will dedicate the building to him at a later date. Contributions may be made to the James Edward Campbell Fund at any Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., location.

Beggs Funeral, located at 235 NW Orange Ave., Madison, is in charge of funeral arrangements.

"Blessed are they that mourn, for they shall be comforted." Matthew 5:4

### Pregnancy Center's "Walk For Life" Spring Fundraiser Fast Approaching



Greene Publishing, Inc. Photo by Lynette Norris, March 28, 2012

Joe Boyles promotes the annual "Walk For Life" Spring Fundraiser on April 14 for A Woman's Pregnancy Center of Madison.

By Lynette Norris  
Greene Publishing, Inc.

Saturday, April 14, is the annual "Walk For Life" Spring Fundraiser for A Woman's Pregnancy Center of Madison. Registration is at 8:30 a.m. and the two-mile walk begins at 9:00 a.m.

AWPC offers free and confidential testing as well as care, encouragement and support throughout a pregnancy for women facing unplanned pregnancies, "for women who literally have nowhere else to turn," said Joe Boyles, a member of the Board of Directors for the Center, which operates independently, on a shoestring budget.

The annual walk helps support the Center, and is one of its biggest fundraisers for the year. Last year, the Walk For Life raised \$10,000 in walk pledges, nearly half the Center's operating budget.

For more information about the walk, the Center, or to find out where to get a pledge form, call (850) 973-6970 or email [sharon@awpc.cc](mailto:sharon@awpc.cc)

### Lee Worship Center To Host Easter Services

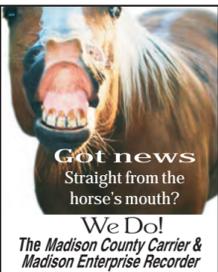
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Lee Worship Center will hold Easter services on Sunday, April 7, beginning at 10:30 a.m., with music by the McCormick Family.

The church will resume services each Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m. and hold a Bible study class, with teacher Mary Lou Lasseter, each Tuesday, beginning at 7 p.m.

The church is located at 397 SE Magnolia in Lee.

Charles Lasseter is the pastor.



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## LIONS CLUB SERVES DURING DOWN HOME DAYS

The Madison Lions Club will be participating in this year's "Down Home Days" festivities. In addition to participating in the annual parade, the Lions Club will be selling peanuts in the shell from their booth. They will also collect old and used eyeglasses for distribution to the poor in third-world nations.

Lions Club President, Jay Lee, wants to assure the good folks of the Madison Community that every cent collected for peanut sales will go toward helping people right here in Madison. None of the club's expenses come out of your charitable contributions. We pay our own way so we can better serve the people of Madison County.

We encourage everyone to bring their old eyeglasses to the Lions Club booth and enjoy roasted peanuts. Donations will be accepted for those who would like to donate to the Lions Charitable Fund.

### OTHER EVENTS

**On April 7,** the Lions will be giving away free candy from 9-noon at the Winn-Dixie supermarket. While the candy is free, Lions will be asking for a donation to the Lions Charitable Fund.

**On July 4,** the Lions Club is hosting the first annual "God & Country Festival" at Lake Francis. There will be food, fun, and festivities for all the family and just as it gets dark the will be a magnificent fireworks display. The Lions Club is counting on the whole community for this event.

According to Lion President Jay Lee "I look forward to leading various projects and continuing the Madison Lion Club's commitment to serving the Madison community."

Since the club's char-



Photo submitted

Jay Lee is the president of the local Lions Club.

tering in 1949, its members have worked on a variety of projects in the local community, such as providing eye glass exams and glasses for those who can't afford them and assisting with other vision needs. Proceeds from past fundraising events have gone to provide clear vision for many folks in the Madison Community.

The Madison Lions Club has 14 members and meets on Tuesdays at noon at Shelby's Restaurant. Lions clubs are a group of civic leaders who identify needs within the community and work together to fulfill those needs. For more information or to grow with the Madison Lions Club, please contact The Rev. Lee Monroe FerDon at 850.929.7527 or e-mail at [padrelee@yahoo.com](mailto:padrelee@yahoo.com).

Lions Clubs International is the world's largest service club organization with nearly 1.35 million members in approximately 45,000 clubs in 200 countries and geographical areas around the world. Since 1917, Lions clubs have aided the blind and visually impaired and made a strong commitment to community service and serving youth throughout the world. For more information about Lions Clubs International, visit the Web site at [www.lionsclubs.org](http://www.lionsclubs.org).

## Take Stock in Children Holds Annual Spring Gala

A large group gathered the evening of March 22 at the Madison County High School for the Annual Spring Gala of the Take Stock in Children Program sponsored by the Madison County Foundation for Excellence in Education, Inc.

With the theme of "The Spring Fling," the group honored scholarship recipients, their mentors, and donors before they left for Spring Break.

Faye Browning, Foundation President, welcomed everyone. High school seniors Alana Ellison and Kristina Ferrell, who will graduate in June, led the flag salute. Geoff Hill, Take Stock in Children Mentor and avid supporter, led everyone in singing.

Betty Curtis, Student Advocate, presented awards to scholars who had achieved a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher based on the last semester grades; 41 Take Stock in Children students were eligible for academic awards this year. The 15 seniors who will graduate in June received recognition and congratulations from the audience for their milestone.

Special guest speaker was Lateska Brown, who traveled from Talladega, Alabama, to speak at the event. Brown became a TSIC Scholarship recipient in middle school, graduated from Madison County High School in 2007 and entered North Florida Community College with her TSIC Scholarship and a basketball scholarship.

Sharing her story of travels to various schools, her love of basketball and life on a financial shoe-string, knowing all the time that completing her de-

gree was of utmost importance, she spoke of how prayer and her faith in God were major forces in her college success. When it was time for her internship in another town, she was concerned about the daily travel cost, but her prayers were answered when a deacon in her church started handing her an envelope each Sunday following the morning worship. In the envelope was a check to cover her fuel expenses.

She also paid tribute to her Take Stock in Children mentors through the years, Diane Cherry Head and Myra Valentine.

Brown will graduate with honors from Talladega College on May 13, 2012, with her degree in Social Work. She has been accepted into graduate school where she will pursue her Master's Degree.

Latishia Williams, representing the Take Stock in Children Alumni Association for the State of Florida, was also in attendance. She attained her college degree through a TSIC Scholarship, teaches here in Madison and is an organizing founder of the TSIC Alumni Association.

The Take Stock in Children Mentors and Scholarship Donors each received accolades and honors presented by Jo Willis, Program Coordinator. Mentors are the

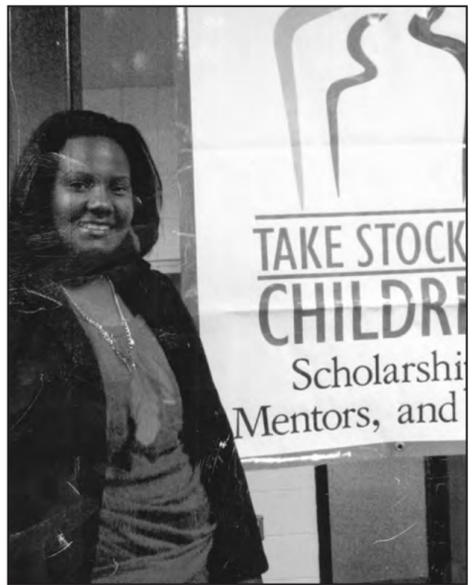


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Lateska Brown, a graduate of MCHS and former Take Stock in Children Scholarship recipient, was the special guest speaker at Take Stock in Children Spring Gala.

key to the success of Take Stock in Children and the "Best of the Best" in mentoring were listed on the event program.

Among the Corporate/Business/Civic Donors in attendance were Bailey Browning, representing the Davis, Schnitker, Reeves & Browning Law Firm; Howard Phillips, representing the Madison County Community Bank; Lucile Day, President, Kiwanis Club of Madison; Scott Bunch of the Madison Woman's Club and Sheriff Ben

Stewart of the Madison County Sheriff's Office.

Other individual and family scholarship donors present included Teenie Cave, Frances Mercer; Mr. & Mrs. Lloyd Day, Mr. & Mrs. Edwin Browning, Mr. & Mrs. Nathan Curtis, & Mr. & Mrs. George Willis.

Many other donors had other obligations or lived too far away to attend the event.

The group extended special thanks to Ben Killingsworth, MCHS Principal, for providing facilities and staff who assisted with the event.

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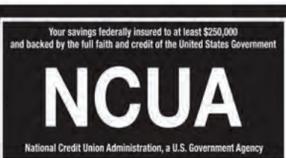
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# AROUND MADISON COUNTY

## Harveys Donates 189 Balloons To Nursing Home Residents



Harveys recently donated balloons to nursing home residents. Pictured, left to right: Joan Nolen, Linda Blevins, Dorothy Pridgeon, Mike Bryan, Miriam Ortiz, Gerry Agius and Gloria Martin.

On Feb. 14, Harveys Supermarket was able to provide 189 Valentine's balloons to the residents of three nursing homes in Madison County with the help of the community. They were also able to provide a Valentine's cake for each home's Valentine's celebration.

"Harveys and myself would like to thank the entire Madison community for their generous donation that helped make this project possible," Mike Bryan, store manager, said. "I'd also like to thank everyone at Greene Publishing for all their help with publishing news for all my special projects here at Harveys."

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## God And Country 4th Of July Committee Seeking Vendors

The Madison God and Country 4th of July Committee is seeking applications for vendor space as well as performers.

This year's event will be held at Lake Francis on July 4 starting at 5 p.m. This year, the committee will be honoring World War II veterans.

There are plenty of booth spaces still available and there will be live performances all evening leading up to the fireworks display. Anyone interested in a booth or performing may contact [madisongodandcountry@yahoo.com](mailto:madisongodandcountry@yahoo.com) or call Crissy at (850) 464-4481.

If anyone would like to volunteer to help, the next committee meeting will be at 6 p.m. on Thursday, April 5, at the Madison County Memorial Hospital conference room.

## April's 55 Plus Club Meeting To Learn More About Plans For Madison Youth Ranch

By Lynette Norris  
Greene Publishing, Inc.

The next meeting of the 55 Plus Club is Wednesday, April 11, and the guest speaker for that day is Mark Nelson, Development Officer for the Florida United Methodist Children's Home.

Nelson will talk about opening a second campus of the Florida United Methodist Children's Home, coming to Madison in the near future. Located at 1647 Captain Buie Rd. (former Barksdale property, just west of Pinetta), the second campus will be named the Madison Youth Ranch, with Nelson as the Project Manager.

The Madison Youth Ranch will be a residential home for children ages 8-18, children who have suffered physical or sexual abuse, abandonment, neglect or other family breakdown due to divorce, drug abuse, illness, death of a parent or other traumatic event.

and once the Madison Youth Ranch is ready to open there will be other employment opportunities for Madison County residents.

To hear more about the Madison Youth Ranch in detail, come on out to the April 11 noon meeting of 55 Plus.

55 Plus meets at noon on the second Wednesday of each month, at the United Methodist Cooperative Ministries (UMCM) Center at the corner of Colin Kelly Highway (Hwy 145) and Dill Street, about five miles north of town. There are no fees, dues or registration of any kind; the meetings are free and open to all Madison residents 55 and over who enjoy getting together with friends and acquaintances for a good lunch and a featured guest speaker addressing topics of interest to Madison seniors.

For more information about 55 Plus or any other outreach programs of UMCM, or for directions to the UMCM Center, contact Deborah Brown at (850) 929-4938.

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# HEALTH & NUTRITION

## UMCM Presents Prayer Quilts To Lake Park Of Madison Center

By Lynette Norris  
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The Quilt Project began as a mission effort to provide quilts and comforters to individuals in need, who live in Madison County nursing facilities – those who are alone, without family nearby to look after them and see to their needs, or friends to check on them regularly.

United Methodist Cooperative Ministries provided start-up funding for the Quilt Project and local Methodist churches as well as individual church and community members have been contributing funds, material and many hours, all spent on a labor of love.

The Pine Tree Quilters and several individual quilters have been busy making quilts for yet another round of UMCM Quilt Project deliveries, this time to the residents of Lake Park of Madison, Friday, March 23. Each quilt is personalized for the resident who will receive the quilt, embroidered with his or her initials and emblazoned with a verse of Scripture selected and printed on the fabric by Annelle Bishop. Members of the UMCM Board have prayed for each resident receiving a quilt and for the volunteers who will be delivering those quilts to them.

Lake Park of Madison staff member Christina Brooks, along with fellow staff members Karen Kocan, Ashley Sevor and help others with the quilting project for Lake Park of Madison by identifying the residents there who are most in need of one of the quilts and letting the quilters know who they are. The staff members also help with the distribution effort when the volunteers arrive, locating the residents and making introductions as the volunteers present the quilts.

Lacey and Ralph Hudson of Hickory Grove United Methodist, Pat Warren of Lee United Methodist (Vice Chair, UMCM) and Margaret Throgmorton of Rocky Springs United Methodist (Board member, UMCM) were at Lake Park to greet the residents and present the quilts.

Lake Park of Madison isn't the only facility served by the Quilt Project; earlier this year, the Quilt Project volunteers delivered several personalized quilts to residents of Madison Nursing Center, located on Highway 90 across from the Madison County Sheriff's Office in the old Florida Highway Patrol Station. Mattie Hackle and other staff members of the facility helped with identifying residents most in need. Paul and Irene Rowell coordinated the delivery effort and Mae Irby and Margaret Throgmorton were the volunteers who signed up to help with the individual deliveries.



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Ralph and Lacey Hudson, Christina Brooks and Pat Warren helped deliver Prayer Quilts to some of the residents of Lake Park of Madison Nursing Center.

UMCM's Quilt Project makes deliveries about once a month throughout the late fall, winter and early spring months to the various nursing homes in the county.

The Quilt Project is only one of several outreach/ministry efforts of UMCM, which strives to serve seniors and others in need through their Thrift Shop, Brown Bag Food Ministry, Food Voucher Program, Benevolence Funds and other acts of service/ministry. UMCM's stated mission is to "provide evangelical witness to the community, and to be obedient to the commandments of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ in serving others."

For more information, or to find out how you can donate to or be a part of one of the UMCM ministries, contact Deborah Brown at (850) 929-4938.

## Madison County Public Health Officer Kim Barnhill Speaks To 55 Plus Club

By Lynette Norris  
Greene Publishing, Inc.

Kim Barnhill, Administrator for the County Health Department of both Madison and Jefferson Counties, was recently assigned Franklin County as well. As the chief public health officer for three poor, rural counties in North Florida, Barnhill, the guest speaker for the 55 Plus Club's March meeting, talked about the importance of rural health issues, staying healthy and making use of the resources that both MCHD and the County itself have to offer.

"I am the picture of rural health for the national level," she said, speaking of her responsibilities to the residents of the small counties she oversees, doing community health assessments, determining community health needs, presenting the data to the national health care agencies, and making sure North Florida's rural health needs, concerns and accomplishments remain visible in the eyes of national health officials and policy makers. "It's very important for Washington to understand what rural health is."

This is particularly important, because health care on a national level is facing a lot of challenges in the very near future, from the retirement of more and more baby boomers, to retirees living longer, to an economy in a recession, to the rising costs of health care, to concerns about the solvency of Social Security and the Medicare program itself as all these changes begin coming about. It is vital that the health care needs of small rural counties do not get lost in the shadows of these enormous challenges on the national scene.

With all this on the horizon, she told her audience, one thing everyone should do is review their Medicare plans and benefits packages annually. "Read those annual Notices of Change you get in the mail," she said. "Medicare changes a little every year as new amendments come out, and what you don't know could cost you money." Another thing people should be aware of is that they are free to change their Medicare Supplement at any time.

Something else she would like to see is the county's residents taking more control of their lives and adopting behaviors that will help them stay healthier, longer. Currently among Madison residents, two out of three adults are either overweight (10-20 percent above their ideal weight, according to the National Institute of Health) or obese (more than 20 percent above). Approximately one out of four adults smoke. One in three women and two out of five men have high blood pressure.

Staying as healthy as possible means "just move...the worst thing you can do is sit on the couch and watch TV."

Madison County has a multitude of resources that are free. Lanier Field and Lake Frances feature walking routes with outdoor exercise stations, and one of the things Barnhill is particularly pleased to see is the number of people walk-



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Kim Barnhill, Administrator of the Madison County Health Department, talks to 55 Plus Club seniors about how they can stay as healthy as possible.



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Lilla Howerton, left, presents Bonnie Webb, R.N., also of the Madison County Health Department, with a certificate of appreciation on behalf of the seniors of 55 Plus. Webb will be retiring at the end of the month.

ing around Lake Frances during their lunch hour. Just north of town is where the bike path, "one of the greatest resources in the county," begins, more or less following Colin Kelly Highway into Pinetta and beyond.

The Madison County Health Department even has its own walking trail just behind the facility, and a health care professional will take your blood pressure both before and after you walk it.

In the near future, the MCHD hopes there will soon be a playground for small children on a green shady city block near the facility, with a walking trail around the perimeter for adults.

For smokers who want to quit, the department has a wealth of information about smoking cessation programs and assistance, and will be working the rodeo both nights at the upcoming Down Homes Days" event, handing out that information. Prescription assistance is another great resource for seniors, as is disease management resources/ education for diabetes, high blood pressure, and other conditions that require ongoing monitoring. Because of the Department's contract with the FSU College of Medicine, residents have access to some of the best primary care physicians in the county.

For more information on the MCHD and the resources it offers, visit the website at [www.doh.state.fl.us/chdmadison/index.htm](http://www.doh.state.fl.us/chdmadison/index.htm).

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If it has been a while, get an appointment to have an exam. If the denture fits poorly, have the denture refitted to reduce the dependence on denture creams.

CHICAGO, May 8, 2009—A recent case report describes four case histories of patients who reportedly developed neurological problems, presumably from excessive ingestion of certain denture creams containing zinc. The authors noted that these individuals used excessive amounts of denture creams containing zinc (two or more tubes of denture cream per week for years, when one tube would normally last for 3-10 weeks) and suggested that these individuals might have swallowed large amounts of denture cream over a prolonged period. At this point, the authors agree that this is just a hypothesis. The ADA has no independent knowledge of the facts in these cases.

We are not aware of any reports of neurological problems resulting from use of a denture cream following the manufacturer's instructions, nor indeed of any other reports of neurological or other health problems related to the use of denture cream products under any conditions.

To date, the FDA has not issued any advisory to the public or the profession on this issue.

The subject of this case report should not be confused with another FDA action. In March 2008, the FDA issued a Public Health Notification of adverse health events from serious allergic reactions to a different product: denture cleansers. FDA attributes the reaction to an ingredient called persulfates (a known allergen) and has asked all manufacturers of denture cleansers to modify their labeling to include warning information that the product contains persulfates and recommended improving the directions for use on their labeling in order to reduce misuse.

Patients with loose fitting dentures should see their dentist regularly for examination and appropriate care, which can reduce the need for denture adhesive products.

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## 4 License-Free Fishing Days Start April 7

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"Fishing is a great way to enjoy Florida's beautiful outdoors, great weather and a wonderful day with family and friends," Scott said. "License-free fishing days are the perfect opportunity to discover the fun and excitement of fishing and Florida's great outdoors."

The days are perfect chances for parents, who don't yet have a license, to take youth fishing, or for avid anglers to introduce a friend to the recreational pursuit without having to purchase a license.

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) spread out the opportunities this year so more people will be able to head for their favorite lakes and rivers or saltwater destinations on designated days. Instead of providing one weekend for freshwater fishing and one weekend for saltwater fishing, the Commissioners decided at their meeting in February to break up the days. You won't need a recreational fishing license on the special days listed below.

Florida residents and nonresidents, mark these Saturdays on your calendar for 2012:

- April 7 - Freshwater
- June 2 - Saltwater
- June 9 - Freshwater
- Sept. 1 - Saltwater

The April 7 date occurs during a productive freshwater fishing period, when the weather is usually comfortable. Plus, it is Easter weekend, and many people like to fill the weekend with a variety of activities with family or friends.

The June 2 free saltwater fishing day coincides with the first weekend of Gulf red snapper season and National Fishing and Boating Week, which means there will be lots of other related activities going on too.

The June 9 date for freshwater fishing also coincides with the last day of National Fishing and Boating Week. Last year, 38 states had at least one license-free fishing day during this annual event.

Sept. 1 is the Saturday of Labor Day Weekend, when lots of people have time to recreate and celebrate the traditional end-of-summer holiday. In addition, bay scallops, lobster and Atlantic snook will be open for harvest on this date.

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# SPORTS

## JV Lady Warriors End Season 10-3

By Fran Hunt  
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The Aucilla Christian Academy junior varsity Lady Warriors won the final three games of the season to stand on a 10-3 record.

The young Lady Warriors hit the diamond against North Florida Christian March 2 and Aucilla downed NFC for an 11-9 victory.

On the mound, Elizabeth Hightower pitched three innings, faced 12 batters, had six strikeouts, five walks, gave no hits and had one earned run.

Ramsey Sullivan pitched one inning, faced five batters, had two strikeouts, two walks, gave no hits and no earned runs.

At the plate, Elizabeth Hightower was two for two with one walk, two RBI's and two runs scored.

Ramsey Sullivan was two for two with one walk, one RBI and two runs scored.

Emma Witmer was one for three with one run scored.

Courtney Watts was one for two, had one walk, scored two runs and belted a triple.

Allie Mall was one for two, with one RBI.

Abigail Morgan reached base with two walks and one hit by pitch to scored two runs.

Also reaching base on walks and scoring were Gaigie Winchester, Deana Jones and Hannah Searcy.

The young Lady Warriors faced off on the diamond against Trinity Catholic March 8 and Aucilla belted Trinity for an 11-3 win.

On the mound, Elizabeth Hightower pitched two innings, faced eight batters, had four strikeouts, four walks, no hits and one earned run.

Ramsey Sullivan pitched one inning, faced eight batters, had 4 four walks, no hits, and two earned runs.

Abigail Morgan pitched two inning's, faced five batters, had two strikeouts, no walks and no earned runs.

At the plate, Ramsey Sullivan was three for three with four RBI's and two runs scored.

Allie Mall was one for one with one run scored.

Camryn Grant was one for two with one run scored.

Morgan Cline was one for three with two RBI's.

Cali Burkett was one for two with one run scored.

Jessica Giddens was one for two with one run scored.

Also scoring were Elizabeth Hightower with two runs and Gaigie Winchester with one run.

In the final game of the season, the young Lady Warriors hit the diamond once again against Trinity Christian and ACA slammed Trinity for a 13-3 win.

On the mound,



Photo submitted

Back row left to right: Danny Deason, Camryn Grant, Gaigie Winchester, Elizabeth Hightower, Hannah Lewis, Christy Grant, Brittany Hughes, Ramsey Sullivan, Abigail Morgan, Emma Witmer, Morgan Cline, Courtney Watts, Susan Morgan. Front row left to right: Cali Burkett, Jessica Giddens, Dena Bishop, Hanna Searcy, Skylar Dickey, Katie James, Haley Jones and Ally Mail.

Ramsey Sullivan pitched two innings, faced 10 batters, struck out four, gave up one walk, two hits and three earned runs.

Abigail Morgan pitched three innings, faced nine batters, had three strikeouts, no walks, no hits and no earned runs.

At the plate, Abigail Morgan was two for three with one RBI and scored two runs.

Emma Witmer was two for three scoring two runs.

Ramsey Sullivan was two for two with two RBI's and scored two runs.

Elizabeth Hightower was one for two with one RBI and scored one run.

Morgan Cline was one for one with one RBI.

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Notice is hereby given that the Board of County Commissioners of Madison County, Florida will be accepting bids for the following:

Furnishing all necessary materials, equipment, labor and supervision including Maintenance of Traffic (MOT) to resurface CR 150 from US 90 to the southern approach to the new bridge and then beginning at the northern approach to the new bridge continuing to the intersection of NW Flowers Road for a total distance of approximately 5 miles and known as **Project # 2012 - 02**; and Furnishing all necessary materials, equipment, labor and supervision including Maintenance of Traffic (MOT) to resurface NW Honey Lake Road beginning at US 90 and ending at the line rock section for an approximate distance of 2.6 miles and known as **Project # 2012 - 03**.

Bids may be submitted to the Board of County Commissioners by depositing same at the Board office located in the Madison County Courthouse Annex, Room 219, 112 East Pinckney Street, Madison, Florida 32340, or Post Office Box 539, Madison, Florida 32341 anytime prior to 4:00 PM on Friday, April 27, 2012. ANY BIDS RECEIVED AFTER SUCH DATE AND TIME WILL NOT BE OPENED AND/OR CONSIDERED. Bid must be clearly marked with the project numbers printed on the outside of the front of the bid envelope as follows: CR 150 Resurfacing Project 2012 - 02 and NW Honey Lake RD Resurfacing Project 2012 - 03. **PLEASE NOTE: All Bidders Must Bid Both Projects for their bids to be considered.**

BID MUST CONTAIN A COPY OF THE VENDOR'S MADISON COUNTY OCCUPATIONAL LICENSE WHERE APPLICABLE, OR CERTIFIED STATE CONTRACTOR NUMBER AND FDOT PRE-QUALIFICATION LETTER TO BE CONSIDERED FOR AWARD.

Bid Specifications, as well as other pertinent documents, may be obtained from the Madison County Road Department office located at 2060 NE Rocky Ford Road (C-59), 2 miles north of Madison, telephone # 850-973-2156, beginning Monday, April 9, 2012. Each contractor interested in bidding this project is strongly urged to obtain copies of the bid packages immediately in order to have time to review all information and visit the project locations prior to the Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference referenced below. All contractors bidding this project shall be FDOT Pre-Qualified for all phases of the work at the time of proposal submittal.

Please be advised that a MANDATORY PRE-BID CONFERENCE will be held on Tuesday, April 17, 2012 at 2:00 PM in the County Commission Meeting Room located in the Madison County Courthouse Annex Building, 112 E. Pinckney Street in Madison, Florida. BIDS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED FROM ANY BIDDER WHO IS NOT REPRESENTED AT THIS CONFERENCE.

Bids will be opened at 9:00 A.M. on Monday, April 30, 2012 and award by the Board of County Commissioners is scheduled for Wednesday, May 2, 2012.

Madison County reserves the right to waive any informality or to reject any or all bids.

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### IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR JEFFERSON COUNTY FLORIDA

GENEVA McELVIN, ARTHUR BRADLEY JR., ZARA THOMAS

Plaintiffs,

v.  
JACOB BRADLEY, NATHANIEL BRADLEY, MARTHA LAMAR, ESOU BRADLEY, JOYCE ROSS JOHNSON, DORTHY JEAN ROSS, LARRY ROSS, TERRY RUMPHREY, FRANCES RELLER, HOSEA BINGHAM, RUSSELL BINGHAM, JR., LILLIE MAY HILL, & MAY OLA HARDMAN,

Respondents

### NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: MAY OLA HARDMAN, and any unknown heirs at law assigns, devisees, grantees, and any other parties claiming any interest under aforesaid parties,

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that a Complaint to Quiet Title has been filed relative to the following-described real property located in Jefferson County, Florida:

Parcel ID # 25-3N-5E-0000-0040-0000

East half of Northwest quarter, West half of West half of West half of Northeast quarter, Section 25 Township 3 North, Range 5 East. Consisting of 100 acres, Jefferson County, Florida. 25-3N-5E-0000-0040-0000, Monticello, Florida Plaintiff and Defendants own the subject Property as joint tenants in common, all as more specifically set forth in that order determining heirs and beneficiaries in Jefferson County, Florida Probate Case No. 09-84-PR.

You are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, on the Petitioner's attorney, Harold M. Knowles, Esquire, whose address is 3065 Highland Oaks Terrace, Tallahassee, Florida 32301 on or before March 13, 2012 and file the original with the clerk of this court either before service on the Petitioner's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

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### NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That Pursuant to a WRIT OF EXECUTION issued in the County Court of Madison County, Florida, on the 9th day of March, 2012 in the cause wherein IVY FINANCIAL CORPORATION, Plaintiff, vs. MARIE A. BAJARD, Defendant, being Case No. 2011-69-CA in said Court.

I, Benjamin J. Stewart, as Sheriff of Madison County, Florida, have levied upon all the right, title and interest of the Defendant, MARIE A. BAJARD, in and to the following described real property lying and situated in Madison County, Florida, to wit:

A portion of the Southeast Quarter (SE 1/4) of the Southeast Quarter (SE 1/4) of Section 11, Township 1 North, Range 10 East, being more particularly described as follows:

Commence at an axle marking the southeast corner of Section 11; thence North 00°09'24" East along the east line of said Section 11 a distance of 1256.44 feet to a rebar marking the POINT OF BEGINNING of the following described Parcel; thence North 89°59'19" West a distance of 688.19 to a rebar; thence South 00°09'03" West a distance of 559.41 feet to a rebar; thence North 89°59'19" West a distance of 637.48 feet to a rebar on the west line of said SE 1/4 of SE 1/4; thence North 00°09'03" East along said west line a distance of 619.41 to a rebar marking the northwest corner of said SE 1/4 of SE 1/4; thence South 89°59'19" East, along the north line of said SE 1/4 of SE 1/4 a distance of 1323.68 feet to an axle marking the northeast corner of said SE 1/4 of SE 1/4; thence South 00°09'24" West along said east line of Section 11 a distance of 60.00 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

SUBJECT TO those Cayenne Hills Restrictions and Protective Covenants as more particularly described in OR Book 738 pages 17 through 20 of the Official Records of Madison County Florida.

SUBJECT TO an easement for utilities as more particularly described in OR Book 738 page 15 of the Official Records of Madison County Florida.

SUBJECT TO restrictions, reservations, and easements of record, and all existing county road rights-of-way.

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Parcel Id. No. 11-1N-10-5622-002-001

and on the 24th day of April, 2012 at the Madison Co. Sheriff's Office, 2364 W. US 90, Madison, Florida, at the hour of 11:00 A.M., or as soon thereafter as possible, I will offer for sale all of the said defendant's, MARIE A. BAJARD, right, title, and interest in aforesaid property at public outcry and will sell the same, subject to all taxes, prior liens, encumbrances and judgments, if any, to the highest and best bidder or bidders for CASH IN HAND. The proceeds to be applied as far as may be to the payment of costs and the satisfaction of the above described execution.

In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, persons with disabilities needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the Clerk of Court, telephone (850) 973-1500, no later than seven (7) days prior to the proceeding.

Benjamin J. Stewart, as Sheriff  
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# SCHOOL

## Teacher Spotlight: Quasheena Johnson



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Quasheen Johnson is a teacher at Madison County High School. She has been teaching at MCHS for 2 years. She teaches American History and Geography. Johnson said that she enjoys teaching because, "It is a family oriented environment. The staff here works well together and the students are all so interesting. I am learning with them as I teach."

## School-wide FCAT Schedule

By Kristin Finney  
Greene Publishing, Inc.

As FCAT approaches, many students and teachers are preparing to face the test. This year's FCAT schedule is as follows:

Monday, April 16 - Grades 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9 and 10 will take Session 1 of the reading test. Grade 6 will take session 1 and 2 of mathematics.

Tuesday, April 17 - Grades 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9 and 10 will take Session 2 of the reading test. Grade 6 will take Session 1 of the reading.

Wednesday, April 18 - Grades 3, 4,

5, 7 and 8 will take Session 1 of mathematics. Grade 6 will take Session 2 of reading.

Thursday, April 19 - Grades 3, 4 and 5 will take Session 2 of mathematics.

Tuesday, April 24 - Grade 5 will take Session 1 of science.

Wednesday, April 25 - Grade 5 will take Session 2 of science.

Make up testing will be offered for all grades on April 17, 18, 19 and 20. Make up testing will be offered for grade 3-8 on April 23. Make up testing will be offered for grades 4-8 on April 25, 26 and 27.

## MCCS Uniform Reminder And Updates

By Kristin Finney  
Greene Publishing, Inc.

Students at Madison County Central School better make sure to abide by the uniform rules or they may find themselves sitting in ISS. Students found not abiding to the uniform rules set by administration will be put in ISS until their parents bring them a change of clothes, or until the end of the day if a change of clothes can not be brought.

The uniform guidelines are as follows: No t-shirts (shirts without a collar) unless they have a MCCS or MCHS logo present. No brown or gray pants or shorts. No skinny jeans or otherwise tight pants. Material should not be made of a stretch or elastic material except around the waist. Socks should be plain one color. They should not be of a fluorescent color. Shoes should be enclosed. No caps unless you are outside during PE and it is used for protection from the sun. Jeans can be worn on Announced Dressed Down Days. Jeans must be blue or black only. No holes or patches.

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