



Daytime Lane Closures Announced In Madison County

By Jacob Bemby
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Drivers are urged to use caution driving in a number of areas in Madison County this week, due to daytime lane closures.

On Base Street in Madison, there will be daytime lane closures after 8 a.m. each day, between Anastasia Way and Southwest Captain Brown Road. The purpose of the closures is to

construct a sidewalk in the area.

On Interstate 10, through this Wednesday, daytime lane closures are scheduled from the Suwannee River Bridge and overpasses at the Suwannee County line all the way to State Road 53 (Exit 258) to replace bridge joints.

There will be daytime lane closures to install a median crossover for emergency vehicles

at mile marker 254 on I-10. The marker is about halfway between Exits 258 and 251.

There will be daytime lane closures for eastbound traffic on Wednesday, from 8 a.m.-noon in Greenville, between US 221 North and US 221 South, in order to clean out the ditches.

Repair to the bridge on Highway 53 South is set to begin this Thursday.



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Bridge repair will begin at the bridge on Highway 53 South, just south of Madison, on Thursday.



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Fire Damages Mobile Home

By Jacob Bemby
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The Lee Volunteer Fire Department, Madison Fire & Rescue and Pinetta Volunteer Fire Department were dispatched to a fire at 1864 NE CR 255 early Saturday morning, July 20.

According to Lee Fire Chief Jason Archambault, at a little after 1 a.m., the Lee department was the first to arrive on scene. They found the west side of the doublewide mobile home heavily involved in fire.

The occupants of the home, Dan and Carol Panaro, had managed to get out of the home.

"About half of the home was impacted directly by fire," Archambault said, "and the other half was impacted by smoke."

Archambault said that the cause of the fire is unknown and is under investigation by the state fire marshal's office.



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Driver Cited For Failure To Give Aid As Two Injured

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Two people were injured and one driver was cited for failure to render aid and information in an accident that occurred Friday, July 19, at the 242-mile marker on Interstate 10.

According to a Florida Highway Patrol report, at approximately 12:02 p.m., Sean Rosemann, 34, of Weatherford, Tex., and Richard Richardson, 46, of Winter Haven, were traveling eastbound in separate vehicles in the inside lane of Interstate 10.

Rosemann was traveling in a 2005 Dodge Ram behind Richardson, who was driving a 2001 Chevrolet van.

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City Commission Accepts Two Bids For Housing Rehab

By Jacob Bemby
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The Madison City Commission accepted two bids for housing rehabilitation and demolition/replacement at their Monday, July 15, meeting.

The rehab and demolition is paid for through a Community Development Block Grant.

The commission approved the recommendation of Martha Orthoefer, of the North Central Florida Planning Council, to approve the lowest two bids.

The first bid was

from Billy Burnette Construction Company for rehab on a home on SW Horry Avenue. That bid was for \$38,050.

The second bid approved was from Gadcon, LLC, out of Quincy. The bid, for rehab on a home on SW Crosby Avenue, was for \$20,535.75.

The third bid, for rehab on a home on SW Range Avenue, was rejected. It was for \$87,024. The commission will take the home into consideration in the next grant cycle. The bid exceeded the allowable funds per unit.

Who Would Your Contact Be In An Emergency?

By Rose Klein
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If you are involved in an accident or other emergency situation, there are steps you can do to make sure that your loved ones will be notified. This was not the case for Christine Olson's daughter. In 2005, her daughter, Tiffany, was involved in a fatal traffic accident. There was no emergency contact system in place and several hours passed before Ms. Olson was notified of her daughter's passing. To help others

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One Seriously Injured In Rollover

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The driver of a 1998 Dodge Durango was seriously injured in a rollover on early Friday morning, July 19.

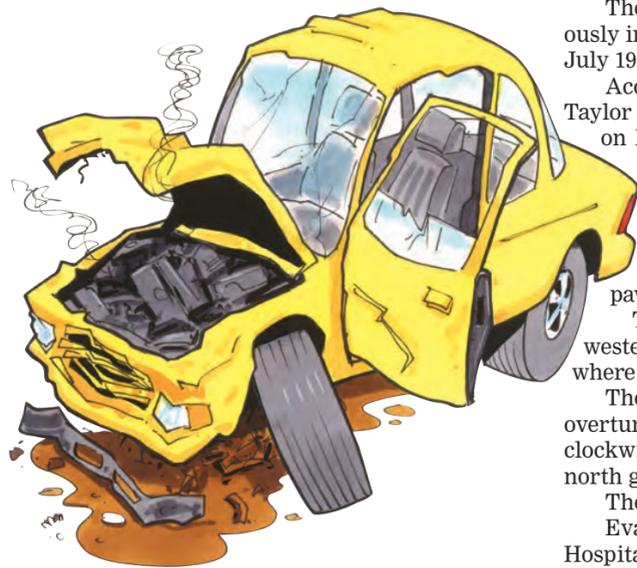
According to a Florida Highway Patrol report, Taylor Evans, 22, of Annandale, Va., was westbound on Interstate 10 in the inside lane approaching the 248 mile marker, when the Durango traveled northwest onto the paved apron.

Evans steered to the right and over-corrected, then traveled northwest on I-10 across the inside lane, outside lane and the paved shoulder.

The Durango continued traveling in a northwesterly direction onto the north grass shoulder where it's front collided with a standing tree.

The vehicle continued through the tree and overturned. It rotated one-quarter of a turn in a clockwise direction and came to a final rest on the north grass shoulder on its left side, facing north.

The Durango caught on fire at its point of rest. Evans was transported to Tallahassee Memorial Hospital by Madison County EMS.



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VIEWPOINTS & OPINIONS

National Security

CORPS OF DISCOVERY



Joe Boyles
Guest Columnist

A half century ago in my youth, I thrilled to read adventure stories; still do to some extent. One of the greatest adventures I encountered was the story of the Lewis and Clark Expedition at the beginning of the 19th Century. With the possible exception of the Apollo moon exploration from 1969-72, Lewis and Clark rank as the greatest exploration in our nation's history.

The Genesis of the expedition was our third president, Thomas Jefferson. Jefferson was such an amazing man. He would be high on my personal list of 'great dinner guests from history.' It was Jefferson who completed the Louisiana Purchase from France that basically doubled the land mass of the fledgling United States. And it was Jefferson who commissioned his secretary, Meriwether Lewis, to plan and recruit the Corps of Discovery that would uncover the secrets of the new addition.

To an 18th Century mind like Jefferson's, the future lay to the West. In 1750 when James Madison's father built a great Virginia home for his young family, he faced the house west toward the future. This was the great unknown. While the old world looked to colonies in places like Africa and Asia, young America looked west toward the Pacific. This was the beginning of Manifest Destiny.

In 1803, America's furthest reach westward was St. Louis on the great Mississippi River. Geographers knew there was a great western river named the Missouri that fed into the Mississippi. Sea captains had reported that on the west coast, there was a great river flowing westward called the Columbia. Could the rivers be joined creating a Northwest Passage that explorers had searched for over three centuries? Meriwether Lewis was tasked with this mission. He approached the job, in Jefferson's words, with "undaunted courage."

Lewis recruited a young army officer, William Clark, to be his second. Clark was a great frontiersman and knew the likely candidates who would man the expedition. While Clark interviewed prospective candidates, Lewis began to study the science from the young nation's leading experts they would need on the frontier: medicine, astronomy, biology, mapping, zoology, surveying, etc.

Most of the journey would be by water. It is important to understand how important waterways were to 19th century travelers. Today, we have great interstate highways overland and jetways across the sky, but these didn't exist two hundred years ago. People and commerce traveled principally by rivers. Cities were born as ports to the oceans, Great Lakes, and along rivers to service vessels and their cargo.

Lewis and Clark would use a specially designed keelboat and canoes to traverse the rivers. And for most of the trip outbound, they would be going upstream, against the current.

Roughly thirty hardy young men would pole and row these boats west and north toward the unknown. To fuel their exertion, the men would each eat nine pounds of meat per day, nearly all of it killed by hunters who walked on the banks of the river looking for game.

In the first summer, one of their number, non-commissioned officer Charles Floyd took ill, most likely from appendicitis, and died. The Corps buried Sergeant Floyd near the current day Sioux Falls, Iowa. Incredibly, he was the only member of the expedition to die. Following his burial, the Corps held an election to select a private to replace the NCO. It was the first election west of the Mississippi in this new land.

The second winter (the first having been spent near St. Louis) of 1804-05 was spent with the friendly tribe of Mandan Indians in present day North Dakota. The captains sent a small number of their Corps back toward St. Louis and civilization, carrying journals and many of the more than 300 plant and animal specimens they had discovered and cataloged for the first time on the American continent. They also added two to their number; a French trapper Charbonneau and his teenage Shoshone bride, Sacagawea. Soon, she would deliver a son who would accompany the Corps as they blazed the trail westward. Charbonneau's interpreting skills were of marginal use but Sacagawea's addition would prove beneficial throughout the next year, particularly when they got to western Montana and her native people.

In this second year, the water became more narrow and shallow as they finally neared the source of the great Missouri. Ahead of them lay the Rocky Mountains and the Continental Divide. They spent more than a month looking for an easier passage before discovering from the Shoshone that they would need to climb and cross the rugged Bitterroot mountain range. As winter weather conditions approached, the starving expedition tackled the great obstacle. Only just before perishing, Captain Lewis stumbled upon the Nez Perce tribe that welcomed the expedition and saved them.

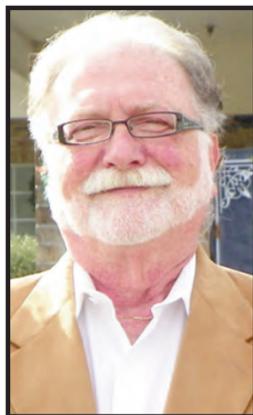
Now it was on to the great Columbia River and downstream to the Pacific. By Captain Clark's dead reckoning calculations, the Corps had traversed 4162 miles in their journey westward. Later measurements indicate that his error rate was less than one percent. The Corps wintered for five months on the south bank of the Columbia in present day Northern Oregon with the Clatsop tribe.

As spring approached, the Corps began to paddle up river to return to civilization and completion of their mission. The trip home took less than one-fifth the time of the outbound leg, for two reasons. First, they had a map which Clark had faithfully documented during the long trip. Second, they were going downstream with the current. Reaching St. Louis in September 1806, the mission was complete and the west was no longer unknown.

One of the Lewis and Clark stories I enjoy the best occurred that last summer in the Mandan Village. Two trappers, heading up stream asked the captains for a guide. One of the Corps' privates, John Colter, volunteered for this duty, was discharged from service, and returned to the west. He would go onto find more adventure and discover Yellowstone.

Health & Wellness Tips

Did You Know...



Frank Nathan
Executive Director
Lake Park of Madison

Green and black tea are full of anti-oxidants and polyphenols which are good for us, but they also contain very high amounts of fluoride, which is highly toxic to the body.

Okay, enough is enough. I've said that we shouldn't eat sugar, baked goods and pasta, Omega 6 vegetable oils, boxed cereals and crackers, store-bought salad dressings, processed foods, soy, low-fat or no-fat milk, grain-fed factory-farmed meat, poultry and eggs, and well, I can handle that most of the time. But tea??? I love a cup of tea. Is NOTHING sacred? Heavy sigh! Tea leaves seem to accumulate more fluoride from the soil and from the air than any other plant that we eat, and because pollution has increased over the last decades, fluoride in tea is increasing as well.

Green tea in particular is heavily promoted as being a very healthy beverage because of the anti-oxidants it contains. But it turns out that the fluoride levels in tea are higher than the Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) set for fluoride in drinking water, which is 1mg/L. Double-blind studies exist, proving the adverse health affects of fluoride at the level of 1ppm in water, and there are no studies documenting safety of ingesting fluoride at any level. No studies seem to exist investigating the effects of fluorides on the anti-oxidants in green tea, although other studies involving antioxidants show that they are adversely affected by fluoride. A sixoz cup of green or black tea seems to contain between 1.3 and 7.8mg/L of fluoride, so possibly as much as eight times the suggested safe dose, and I'm sure that many of us have more than one cup of tea per day.

Fluoride may be a big culprit in hypothyroid (sluggish thyroid), as fluoride has a bigger affinity to the iodine receptor than iodine does, and the thyroid needs iodine to function properly. Fluoride was in fact used in several countries to treat an overactive thyroid because it was so good at reducing thyroid function. With so many people suffering from problems of hypothyroid, many being undiagnosed, one can wonder how much of the problem can be related to tea and fluoridated water consumption. Fluoride's affect on the thy-

roid go way beyond blocking iodine, and are far too numerous to account for here. If dental fluoride is present, hypothyroid is a given. Yikes! This is serious stuff!!

Dean Burk, who was Chief Chemist at the National Cancer Institute for several decades, said that "no chemical causes as much cancer, and faster, than fluorides," and fluoride is particularly problematic in uterine and bone cancers. Fluoride also tends to soften bones and make them brittle, playing a role in osteoporosis. Dental fluorosis (a mottling of the teeth) is the first obvious sign of fluoride poisoning, and if there is dental fluorosis, there are hypothyroid problems, and probably skeletal fluorosis as well. Tea also frequently contains aluminum, and fluoride and aluminum together are even more problematic, creating renal and neurological problems, including possibly Alzheimer's Disease.

Chinese teas seem to have more fluoride in them than Indian, oolong and Ceylon teas, decaf teas have much higher levels of fluoride than caffeinated teas, and instant teas are full of fluoride too. Black teas have more fluoride than green, and longer brewing times increase the fluoride content. The higher the grade of tea, the less the fluoride, so in other words the expensive stuff really is better. In fact, one study suggested that measuring fluoride content would be a good way to evaluate the quality of the tea. But even high quality tea has a fair bit of fluoride in it, so what are tea lovers to do?? Black and green tea extracts that are fluoride and caffeine free are available. I guess I'll be looking for these for my tea from now on ...

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Searching For Ambrosia

Learning To Cook Kid-Style



Rose Klein
Columnist

As a child, I remember my first attempt at what I considered to be cooking. I was hungry and searching for something to eat in the refrigerator when I came across a pack of unopened hot dogs. I had eaten hot dogs at home many times before, but that day I remembered my favorite way to eat them, over an open flame.

Our summers usually had at least one camping trip and cooking something over fire was an essential ritual. My dad even had special roasting sticks that looked something like a cross between a clothes hanger and a fork that, to me, made roasting hot dogs and marshmallows more cool than it already was. Only until I was older did I realize that he wasn't the inventor of this unusual device. Sad to say that when I spotted them in the outdoors section of a local department store, I was completely overwhelmed by my childhood disillusionment. Another great memory of cooking over fire was Girl Scout camp. Instead of cool roasting forks, we found our own roasting sticks, gathered from the woods, where we whittled one end to a point before sticking our hot dogs on them and into the campfire.

That day at home, with no cool roasting fork, pointed stick, or campfire, I improvised. I took a fork out of the silverware drawer, poked a hot dog onto the tines and roasted it over the only flame available...the gas stove. (Apparently the other thing I lacked that day was adult supervision.) The hot dog flamed and sputtered until it had an almost black coating. After placing the charcoaled wiener into a bun, covering it with my (then) favorite hot dog condiments,

ketchup and sweet pickle relish, I took my first bite. I was immediately and totally hooked on cooking. I was amazed at how good it tasted and how easy it was for me to create my own food. My parents were not as excited as I was with my newly found cooking skills when I had to explain to them the messy stovetop. Even with my permanent banishment from the kitchen, I still loved the idea of cooking and eventually was able to find my way to the stove again.

I was reminded of this memory because my nephew is visiting and he shared with me his grilled cheese invention. He is 13 years old and learning to create food on his own with excitement, both his and mine. He has shared his recipe with me so that I can share it with you. Watching him cook reminds me that cooking



food for yourself can really be fun, that you don't always have to follow any rules or guidelines. Preparing food for just you can be an exciting experiment that doesn't have to turn out perfect; nobody will be there to judge, criticize, or impress. Thank you Blake.

Blake's Grilled Cheese Rolls

- White bread
- Sliced American cheese
- Butter
- Tomato Soup (optional)

Using a rolling pin, roll pin across bread slice to flatten. Place a slice of cheese on the bread. Starting at one end, roll bread and cheese to form a tube shape; Place roll in a hot skillet with melted butter over medium heat. Turn roll to brown bread evenly.

Repeat with as many slices of bread, cheese and butter as desired.

Dip into tomato soup to eat.

Letter To The Editor

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

Winn Dixie Thanks Customers For Their Support

Dear Valuable Customer,

Thank you for your recent donation to the Winn-Dixie's Summer Backpack Hunger Relief Program to help America's Second Harvest of the Big Bend, Inc. fight hunger in our local community. With 1 in 4 children not knowing when they will eat their next meal, your contribution will help provide students with weekend food packs to bridge the gap between meals outside of school and a nutritious foundation for the school week ahead.

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To learn more about how you can help feed individuals and families who struggle among us, please visit www.fightinghunger.org or call 850-562-3033.

Sincerely,
Winn-Dixie Stores, Inc.
America's Second Harvest of the Big Bend, Inc.

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Richardson started to slow down, due to a crash on the south side of the roadway. Traffic was also backing up due to the crash.

The front of Rosemann's Dodge Ram collided with the rear of Richardson's Chevy van. After the impact, the van was pushed into the median where it came to a final rest.

Rosemann's Ram continued east for 200 feet and pulled off the road onto the southern shoulder.

Rosemann gave Richardson limited information and left the scene. He was called back to the scene by FHP and arrived at approximately 2:15 p.m.

Richardson and his passenger, James Sharp Terpening, 61, of Winter Haven, received minor injuries in the crash and were taken to Tallahassee Memorial Hospital.

Three minor children in the van were not injured.

Rosemann and his passenger, Leanne McGrath, 33, of Fort Worth, Tex., were not injured in the accident.

In addition to failing to render aid/information, Rosemann was also cited for careless driving and failure to report the accident.

FHP Trooper Nathan K. Stidman was the investigating officer.

Emergency Contact

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avoid this experience, Ms. Olson approached her Legislator and the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles. The results were the start of an emergency contact information system.

To make sure your emergency contact information is available to law enforcement, you can enroll online at www.flhsmv.gov. Select 'Handle It Online' and then 'Emergency Contact Information'. All you will need is your Florida driver license or ID card number. You will then be able to enter the names, addresses and telephone numbers for two emergency contact people. The information you give will be stored in a secured, protected database with your driver record or ID card and will only be used to notify designated contacts if you are seriously injured or killed. Only law enforcement personnel will have access to your information.

Entering your emergency contact information is voluntary, but will give law enforcement immediate access to this information, and will make it easier for them to speak with someone quicker than they might otherwise in the event of an emergency.

Madison Residents Could Get A Refund From Sketchers



By Jacob Bemby
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If one has bought a pair of shoes from Sketchers Shape-up shoes, they could be entitled to a \$34 refund check - if they applied before the deadline.

Attorney General Pam Bondi announced last week that more than 35,000 Floridians will receive refunds as part of the company's settlement agreement with Florida, 43 other states and the Federal Trade Commission.

Sketchers was accused of using deceptive advertising to market its toning shoes, including making claims that Shape-up shoes would help strengthen and tone the wearer's buttocks, legs and abdominal muscles. Another claim made was that the shoes would help them lose weight.

The checks, which will be issued by the Federal Trade Commission, must be cashed by Oct. 13.



Snail Slime Next Beauty Treatment

In France, Louis-Marie Guedon is working on, what he believes to be, a cosmetic revolution. Guedon says snail mucus can regenerate skin cells and heal cuts due to its collagen, glycolic acid and antibiotics. He has raised snails for a quarter of a century and has been producing the slime for three years. Guedon has already secured three contracts with cosmetic labs, with one already ordering three tons of slime.

Snail mucus is already being used in beauty products in Asia and South America and a spa in Tokyo offers facials using real live snails.

Maggots Create Noises Inside Woman's Head

A British woman ended her holiday trip to Peru, by being admitted to a hospital in northern England. Rochelle Harris began hearing "scratching noises" in her head and was suffering from headaches and facial pain. The morning she woke with liquid coming from her ear is what finally drove her to seek help. The doctor at the hospital discovered maggots inside her ear, with a small hole in her ear canal. Harris recalled dislodging a fly from her ear while in Peru, but had not associated that with her recent symptoms. Surgery was required to remove the family of eight maggots from her ear.

Danish Teen Removed From Italy For Graffiti

In Italy, a Danish teenager was ordered out of Pisa by a judge for defacing a landmark. The teen was arrested for carving his name on the marble wall of the Medieval Cathedral. Before being ordered to leave, he was fined for the damage and expressed his apologies.

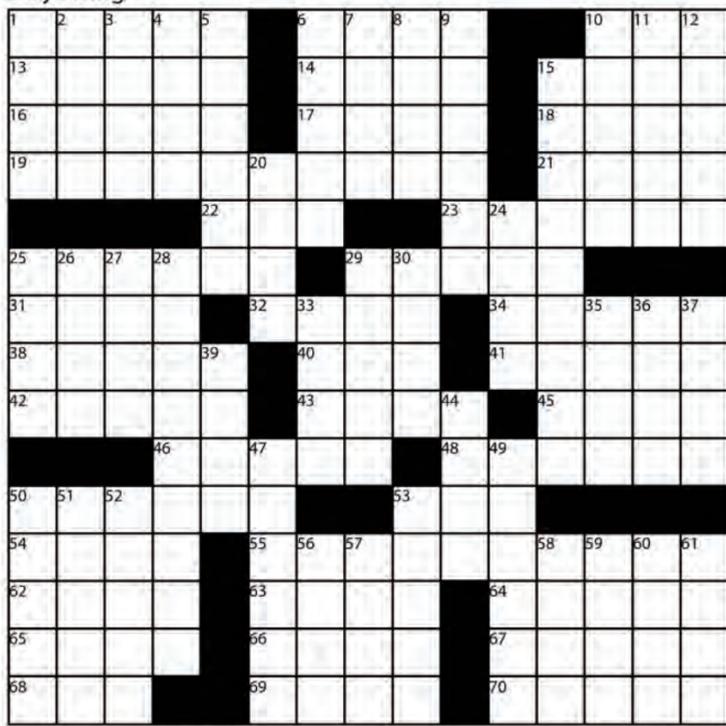
Giant Tuna Capsizes Fishing Boat

In Hawaii, Anthony Wichman's boat was capsized after hooking a 230-pound Ahi tuna. After hooking the fish, Wichman was dragged underwater when the fishing line caught on his leg, turning his boat over in the process. Wichman was able to free himself and call his wife, who was able to notify the U.S. Coast Guard. Both man and boat were recovered.

ACROSS

1. Steeple topper
6. Public relations skill
10. Baglike structure
13. Mike with a punch
14. Wahine's dance
15. Triumphant cry
16. Desilu co-founder
17. River to the Baltic
18. Olfactory stimulant
19. "Understand?"
21. Oozy ground
22. Queen or rook
23. Trip up a mountain
25. Burrowing pest
29. Underwater detector
31. 1952 Winter Olympics site
32. Wrathful foe of Captain Kirk
34. They're taken to the cleaners
38. Atheist Madalyn Murray
40. Justice Fortas
41. Bandleader's command
42. Approval power
43. Not as much
45. Equine parent
46. Fields persona
48. Microwave button
50. Cascades peak
53. Refinable rock
54. RC, for one
55. Country on the Gulf of Guinea, as it's commonly known
62. Sparkling wine locale
63. Kelly of TV talk
64. Mrs. Perón
65. Post-sunburn woe
66. '50s British PM Anthony

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67. Roomy car
68. Be human
69. Bell sound
70. Lewis Carroll critter

DOWN

1. Just for men
2. Pile to be burned
3. "Winning ___ everything"
4. Wander about
5. Digestive aid
6. Point on a prickly plant
7. Autobahn auto
8. Staff symbol
9. Highlander's textile pattern
10. ___ Hawkins Day
11. Doll up
12. Sign of insertion

15. "Top Gun" star
20. Thanksgiving meat request
24. Beauty pageant attire part
25. Icky substances
26. Workers' protection agcy.
27. DVD button
28. Start a voyage
29. Cavalry sword
30. Till compartment
33. Fit as a fiddle
35. Reply to "That so?"
36. Tucker out
37. Editing order
39. Etymological basis
44. Light on one's feet
47. Like Ark animals
49. Play time

50. Suffix with land or sea
51. Lout, north of the border
52. Rehem, perhaps
53. Red ape
56. "Veni, __, vici"
57. Not buttoned
58. Place for a roaster
59. Opera set in ancient Egypt
60. Castor or Pollux
61. Fail miserably

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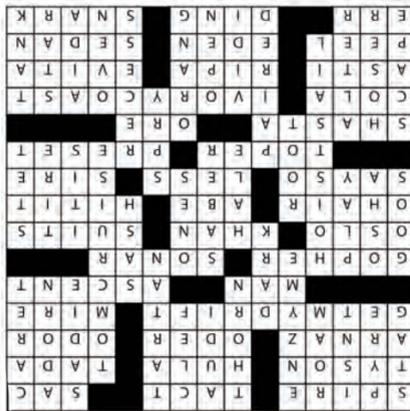
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Obituaries

Doris Bloehm

Doris Bodenstein Bloehm, 84, of Ft. Pierce, Florida, passed away at home on July 15.

The funeral service was held at 10 a.m. on July 23, 2013 at St. Mark the Evangelist Catholic Church, 1924 Zephyr Avenue in Ft. Pierce. Visitation was held from 5-7 p.m. on Monday, July 22, 2013, at Haisley Funeral Home, 3015 Okeechobee Road in Ft. Pierce. Burial followed the funeral at Riverview Cemetery, 1109 North U.S. 1 in Ft. Pierce at 11:30 a.m. Funeral arrangements are being handled by Haisley Funeral Home.

Doris was born in Madison on October 6, 1928. She graduated from Madison High School and attended one year of college at Stetson University in Deland.

In 1952, a young Doris Bodenstein met 33-year-old "bachelor" Charlie Bloehm. Both being bankers - she in Vero Beach and he in Ft. Pierce - they met in a banking class held in Ft. Pierce. Upon meeting the attractive Miss Bodenstein, Charlie immediately felt an attraction to her but knew he "must play his cards right" lest an unsuccessful date end in an awkward nine months of weekly classes. He waited until the class had ended to begin his courtship. Two years later, they married on November 11, 1954 and in November of 2012 celebrated their 58th wedding anniversary.

Doris began her career as a secretary to then President Warren Haffield of the Indian River Citrus Bank. She received many promotions over the years and when she retired at 65, she held the title of Vice President of commercial lending. By then, the bank had changed to First Union, now Wells Fargo. Being a thorough and detailed person, Doris always went the extra mile for her customers who expressed their appreciation through thoughtful thank-you gifts that ran the gamut from trinkets to furniture. One of her daughters was surprised to see two new chairs appear in the living room one Saturday. "Mom, where did those chairs come from?" "Oh, Dr. so-and-so gave them to me. He's one of my customers," she said, smiling in delight.

During the time she worked for the bank, she raised three daughters during the 50's, 60's and 70's who saw Mom and Dad holding the same position at separate banks. She taught her daughters by example that it was just as natural for a woman to have a career as a man. Doris was a "liberated woman" before the term was coined.

When not working, she enjoyed spending summers with her family at their cottage in North Carolina.

Doris is survived by her husband, Charlie; daughters, Rosalie (Rosie) Bloehm and Theresa (Terry) King; nieces, Carol Price and Kim Lybrand; nephew, Fisher Bodenstein; and brother, Calvin (Cal) Bodenstein, all who she loved dearly.

Doris is preceded in death by her parents, Robert Nathan and Rosa Lee Bodenstein; her sister, Clara Lybrand; her brother, Robert Bodenstein, Jr.; and her youngest daughter, Susan J. Bloehm.

The family of Doris Bloehm wishes to thank Treasure Coast Hospice for their assistance and support. Condolences to the family may be sent to dbtensix@comcast.net.

Elsie Day



Elsie F. Day, 88, of Atco, N.J., passed away on June 29, 2013.

She was the beloved wife of the late R. Charlie Churchill, Charles J. Congdon, Sr., and Francis Day; devoted mother of Judy Rae Churchill, Colleen J. Congdon and her husband Chris Oshushek and the late Charles J. Congdon, Jr.; loving grandmother of April Day and Kasie Day; and dear aunt of Bobbi Townsend, James P. Wagner, Richard Wagner and Doris Fox.

Mrs. Day worked for 30 years at the Atco Knitting Mill and was an avid needle worker and member of the Prayer Shawl Society. She was also a member of the Blue Birds at the Atco Presbyterian Church and the Atco and Winslow Senior Citizens.

Relatives and friends are invited to the celebration of life on Saturday, July 27, 2013 at noon at the Atco Presbyterian Church, 2259 Atco Ave. in Atco, N.J., with a luncheon to follow. Interment will be private.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial donations be made to the Blue Birds, 2259 Atco Ave., Atco, NJ 08004, The Winslow Senior Citizens, 33 Cooper Folly Rd., Atco, NJ 08004 Attn: Betty McDaniel or the Atco Senior Citizens, c/o Edna Day, 2167A Atco Ave., Atco, NJ 08004.

For more information or to e-mail a condolence, please visit www.lpwosterfuneral-home.com

Elma Pauline Hudson Waldrep

Elma Pauline Hudson Waldrep, age 97, passed away on Sunday, July 21, 2013. She was born on September 8, 1915 to Wood Hampton Hudson and Nannie Mae Pulliam Hudson. She was a lifelong resident of Madison County and a member of First Baptist Church, Madison.

Mrs. Waldrep was pre-deceased by her husband, Kinch William Waldrep, and daughter, Frances Waldrep.

She is survived by one son, Billy Waldrep and wife Carol of Destin; a daughter, Ann Fisher and husband Branson of Perry; three grandsons: Kinch Edward Waldrep and wife Stephanie of Raleigh, N.C.; Thomas William Waldrep, Jr. and wife Ellen of Winston-Salem, N.C. and Donn Waldrep Smith and wife Robin of Madison; 13 great-grandchildren: Carolyn (Kerry) Waldrep and husband Matt Coury of Washington, D.C., Brian Waldrep of Houston, Tex., Megan Eileen, Matthew, Mimi, Catherine and Michael Waldrep of Winston-Salem, N.C., Katie Waldrep Molinder and husband Chad of Quantico, Va., Eddie Waldrep of Morristown, Ind., Abby Waldrep of Indianapolis, Ind., Sydney Waldrep of Raleigh, N.C., Laurie Smith and Keeley Smith, both of Madison; five great-grandchildren: John, William, Maria and Elizabeth Waldrep Coury and Matthew Molinder.

Graveside services will be held Thursday, July 25, 2013, at 11 a.m. at Harmony Cemetery in Madison County. The

family will receive friends from 10-10:30 a.m. prior to the service at Beggs Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Big Bend Hospice, 1723 Mahan Center Boulevard, Tallahassee, FL 32308.

Beggs Funeral Home, Madison Chapel, is in charge of arrangements (850) 973-4716.

Ira Hughes

Mr. Ira Alvin "Bud" Hughes, 84, of Dalton, Ga., departed this life Tuesday evening, July 2, 2013, at a local hospital.

Ira was born July 29, 1928, in Catoosa County, a son of the late Floyd and Hattie Jane Brackett Hughes. He was also preceded in death by a sister, Imogene Lawhorn, and brothers, Warren, Winfred and Marvin Hughes.

He was retired from Textile Rubber Inc. and was a member of Highland Church of Christ. He was a loving brother and father and a friend to many. He was a natural jokester and loved to tell a good joke.

He is survived by his daughters and son-in-law, Lisa and Robert Cross, and Vicky Patterson; grandchildren, Eric and Hollie Patterson, Brandon Patterson, Ashley Neal, Nichelle Talley and Brandon Cross; sisters and brother-in-law, Sue and C.L. Coker of Dalton, Ga., and Neva Reaves of Pinetta; brother and sister-in-law, Hobert and Imogene Hughes of Ringgold, Ga.; 13 great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Services to celebrate the life of Mr. Ira Alvin Hughes were held Saturday, July 6, 2013 at 4 p.m. at Ponders Melrose Chapel with Tyler Gilreath officiating. He was laid to rest at Dailey Hill Cemetery in Catoosa County, Ga., with Brandon Patterson, Kade Harrod, David Stanley, David Weathers, Clint Benson and Tren Coffee serving as pallbearers.

The family received friends at Ponders Melrose Chapel from 4 to 8 p.m.

Arrangements were made by Ponders Melrose Chapel, 138 Melrose Drive, Dalton, Ga.; 706-226-4002.

Marjorie Rinker Harr Miller

Marjorie Rinker Harr Miller was born on the Eastern Shore of Maryland, June 24, 1919 and died at the Presbyterian Home in Quitman, Ga., on July 20, 2013.

During World War II, she worked for the U.S. Department of the Navy in Washington, D.C. She married George B. Miller, who preceded her in death. They made a home in Hempstead, N.Y. After moving to Cherry Lake in 1962, Mrs. Miller worked for the Admissions Office at North Florida Community College until she retired. She was an avid quilter, and seamstress and an active member of Grace Presbyterian Church. She was also a supporting friend of the Cherry Lake Methodist Church.

Survivors include her son, Gene B. Miller (Beth); her daughter, JoAnn Miller; and her niece, Martha Buhler.

Graveside services

will be held on Thursday, July 25, 2013 at 11 a.m., at the Cherry Lake United Methodist Church.

Please, no large floral memorials. Memorial gifts may be directed to Grace Presbyterian Church, the Cherry Lake United Methodist Church, or the Presbyterian Home in Quitman, Ga.

Grace Foust Amerson

Mrs. Grace Foust Amerson, age 58, passed away Thursday, July 18, 2013, at South Georgia Medial Center in Valdosta, Ga.

She was born in Miami, and had lived in Madison since 1983.

She is survived by one daughter, Delores Mabardy of Madison; two sons, Michael Mims and wife Leah of Auburn, Ala., and Ricky Amerson, of Madison; two brothers, Wayne and Tom Foust of Madison; one sister, Ann Scherman of Madison; and four grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Sunday, July 21, 2013, at graveside in Oakridge Cemetery in Madison, with Rev. Pat Doyle officiating.

Beggs Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements, (850) 973-2258.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- July 24-26**
Vacation Bible School at First Baptist Church, Madison, "Colossal Coaster World," begins at 5:30 p.m. each afternoon.
- July 24-26**
Vacation Bible School at Cherry Lake Baptist Church, "Jungle Jaunt," from 6-9 p.m.
- July 24-27**
Vacation Bible School, 6-8 p.m. each evening at Madison Church of God for ages 4-12 years old, Wednesday through Friday. "Wet Day" on Saturday from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Go out and have fun, fun, fun.
- July 28**
LifeSong will sing at 10 a.m. at Sirmans Baptist Church and Troy Pickles will share his testimony that morning.
- August 3**
Midway Church of God will host a peanut boil and a gospel sing featuring the Singing Reflectsons, beginning at 6 p.m.
- August 6**
All residents of the Greenville community are invited to show up at the Greenville Country Christmas meeting at 7 p.m. at the new American Legion Hall (inside the old NAPA Auto Parts) at 133 Grand Street in Greenville. For more information, please call Stuart McIver (850) 371-0042
- August 9-10**
Madison High School Red Devil Reunion. All Red Devils welcome. August 9, Red Devil BBQ. Social, 5 p.m., dinner, 7 p.m. Dancing, 8 p.m. Jellystone Park, with Tom and the Cats, \$30 per person. August 10, Golf Tournament, 8 a.m., \$37 per person. Lunch included. All Red Devil Reunion Celebration. Social, 5 p.m. Dinner, 7 p.m. Dancing, 8 p.m. Jellystone Park, with band, Daddy's Money. \$30 per person. For more information, call Martha at (850) 545-6274 or Liz (404) 926-4273.

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49'ers Hold Class Reunion



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The graduating class of 1949 held their 64th class reunion at noon on Friday, April 26, at Shelby's Restaurant. Members attending were, seated: Mrs. Lucile Cherry. Standing, front row, left to right: Birdie Holton Kinard of Quincy, Helen Ragans Phillips of Madison, Willodene Lamb McManua of Monticello, Frances Cason Norris of Greenville, Doris Shaffer Cowart of Madison, Wanda Roffe Dickinson of Madison, Stanley Baxley of Merritt Island. Standing, back row, left to right: Ernest Kinsey of Madison, Walter Williams of Macclenny, Roy Wynne of Memphis, Tenn., Tommy Beggs of Madison. Not pictured: Carroll Lamb of Tallahassee and Jack Hollingsworth of Pinetta. Members not attending: C.W. Killingsworth of San Diego, Cal., Leslie Buie of Rockware, Tex., Betty McCullough Bowers of Inez, Ky., Bill Roberts of Tallahassee, Malvin Vaugh of Beaverton, Ore., Myrtice Woodard Welch of Birmingham, Ala., Dorothy Walker Gates of Ennis, Mont., Martha Cave Odom of Tallahassee, Gene Lanise Bristol of Oakland, N.J., Dorothy Jean Chancy of Lake Park, Kathleen Bass Lewis of Madison, Betty Cone Blake of Fayetteville, Ga., Genalee Hendry Huggins of Madison, Howard Williams of California and Sam Burnette of St. Petersburg. A total of 28 class members are deceased. The class plans to have another reunion in two years.



Photo submitted by Helen Ragans Phillips

Several wives, husbands and friends were on hand visiting at the reunion. Special friends on hand were George and Gladys Pierce of Earleton, who are cousins of classmate Bobby Jacobs, who is deceased. Pictured, front row, left to right: Gladys Pierce, Juanita Baxby, Hiroko Cherry, Harriett Wynne, Renee Williams and Ann Waring. Back row, left to right: George Pierce, Christine Blanton, Juanita Cason and Ben Waring.

AROUND MADISON COUNTY

Plans Underway For Hickory Grove Founder's Day

By Dan Buchanan

The time has come for the folks at Hickory Grove to start talking about and even planning for Founder's Day at the church. This year, Founder's Day will take place on the third Saturday in October, which will be Oct. 19. It will all start with a hearty breakfast in Cousin Mary Lou's Country Kitchen. The old wood-burning stoves will again be cranked up, and bellowing wood smoke and cooking biscuits and cooking sausage and fried ham on top in iron skillets.

This year, there will be more things for the young kids to do. For one thing, we will have the Hickory Grove School House in operation, and Sunday School will take place in the old house at least three times during the morning.

Another new thing this year will be the presence of the new Madison Youth Ranch, which is currently being built just west of Pinetta. In fact, this year's Official Founder's Day Program will be dedicated to the



Photo submitted by Dan Buchanan

Elwyn McLeod stands in his field of cane. Every year, McLeod prepares the homemade syrup for Hickory Grove Founder's Day at his own expense and he grows and tends the cane crop. Founder's Day is set for Oct. 19 this year and plans are already underway to make it an even more exciting day than it already is.

construction and completion of the United Methodist Church Children's Home Madison Youth Ranch.

Elwyn McLeod has got the sugar cane growing great at his home just a mile or so from the church, and with all the rain this spring and summer, it really looks great. He will be in charge of making the delicious syrup at Founder's Day again this year. You need to get to the church early and be sure to get a couple of bottles of this true southern delicacy.

In fact, you can sample the syrup in the Country Kitchen should you desire. Buy a biscuit, poke a hole in the biscuit and fill it up with syrup. That is the method we use to eat syrup in our community.

Mark your calendar, and send an invite to your kin folks who live in other places to be sure and not forget to attend the Hickory Grove Founder's Day celebration. The date will be Saturday, Oct. 19. Get there early and stay all day. EVERYONE is welcome at Hickory Grove Founder's Day at Hickory Grove.

Lions Club: On To The Next Challenge

By Lynette Norris

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With the massive undertaking that was the Fourth of July God and Country Celebration behind them, the Lions Club members have been catching their breath for the last couple of meetings and getting ready to start planning ahead for their next event: the annual Lion's Club Turkey Shoot in November.

"I know it's a load off your shoulders with the Fourth of July over," said Lions Club President Jay Lee at one of the meetings. He was pleased with the way everything had turned out. Even the rain, which might have kept some people away, did have the silver lining effect of cooling things off, and it had stopped well before the fireworks display.

"We had a good event, and I want to thank everyone who worked so hard," said Lee. Other members reported conversations with vendors who had done well enough to say that they would definitely be back next year. Even the bounce houses, whose vendors had hoped only to break even, reported profits. Out-of-town visitors from



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Lions Club President Jay Lee leads a discussion about the next upcoming challenge for the Lions Club.

as far away as Atlanta had reported that they were impressed with the fireworks display.

A lion's share of the kudos went to Ina Thompson, owner of the Mail Room, who "bent over backward to produce the souvenir booklet

for the event, and did a much better job than the company the club used last year that charged nearly twice as much.

"She (Thompson) did a great job on the handbook," said Christy Roebuck. "She's a member just for her contribution." Roebuck reported other conversations with people who were impressed with the handbook's quality and color, and people who were pleased that their ads looked so good because Thompson had worked very hard to make sure they did.

For next year, they also discussed the possibility of adding a "fun run around the lake" with prizes, since runs draw more people.

But before next year's Fourth of July event, there's the Thanksgiving Turkey Shoot, a fundraising event that takes place over three weekends in November. People pay entry fees and compete against each other shooting at targets to win frozen turkeys, or watch their friends compete while they enjoy chips and drinks offered for sale by the club.

Until then, there's lots of planning ahead to do.

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Submitted by: NFCC Office of College Advancement
New classes begin Aug. 12, 2013

MADISON, FL – The Public Safety Academy at North Florida Community College is now accepting students for its Law Enforcement Recruit, Correctional Basic Recruit and Cross-Over programs. New classes are set to begin Aug. 12. Those interested in enrolling are encouraged to contact the Public Safety Academy now. Classes are held Monday through Thursday from 6-11 p.m. at the NFCC Public Safety Academy complex on the NFCC campus in Madison, Fla.

The NFCC Public Safety Academy is one of 40 criminal justice training centers approved by the Florida Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission (CJSTC) to train basic recruits in law enforcement, corrections, recertification programs, and continuing workforce education. NFCC's Correctional and Law Enforcement Basic Recruit programs prepare students for the certification exams required for all Florida officers and require rigorous physical demands upon the recruit in defensive tactics, firearms, vehicle operations and physical fitness training. Acceptance in these programs are limited to meeting requirements established by the Florida Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission, North Florida Community College, The Public Safety Academy, and our Criminal Justice Advisory Board.

Students can complete training in one year or less. Those interested in training at NFCC are encouraged to begin the enrollment process now. You must be at least 18-years-old to enter NFCC's Law Enforcement and Correctional Basic Recruit programs and must pass the Florida Criminal Justice Basic Abilities Test (CJBAT) before submitting an application for admission. The CJBAT can be taken on the NFCC campus. Official high school/GED diploma and transcripts and passing background checks are also required for admission. Financial assistance may be available for qualified students.

For more information, contact Gail Hackle, at (850) 973-1617 or hackleg@nfcc.edu. Information is also available at www.nfcc.edu/public-safety.

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AROUND MADISON COUNTY

Tommy Hardee: There's No Off Year In The Supervisor Of Elections Office

By Lynette Norris
Greene Publishing, Inc.

By his own admission, before he became Madison County Supervisor of Elections, Tommy Hardee used to wonder what on earth the Elections Office did during an off election year.

Now he knows the answer: a heck of a lot. "We're busier than ever," he told the Rotary Club, where he was visiting with two of his staff members, Alfreda Martin and Ludie Porter, discussing what goes on in an elections office during an off year. There are new laws and mandates from the state that have to be implemented, new security procedures, voter registration lists to maintain, voter information to update, equipment upgrades that have to be done sooner or later (hopefully sooner, if funding can be found, well before the state-mandated deadlines roll around) and of course, voter registration drives – because, as Hardee has stated many times, every vote matters.

Many of his efforts to bring the office up to speed have been inspired by visits to the Supervisor of Elections (SOE) Office in Bay County, currently the first and only SOE in the nation to earn an ISO 9000 rating for its high level of quality.

Hardee hopes that the Madison County SOE will be the second to earn such a rating. "It doesn't matter if Madison is a smaller county," he said. "Our votes are just as important as Miami-Dade's."

There was no book on how to be a Supervisor of Elections when Hardee was appointed to the office in late 2011. There were laws on what had to be done, but no "how-to" guidebook. Hardee learned the ropes from visiting other elections supervisors in other counties, and fig-

uring out how to apply that to Madison County.

Every other year, the Madison SOE office goes through its security procedures to see how they can be improved and what new procedures need to be implemented. So far, the staff has gone from 20 pages of security protocols to about 65 pages.

There is the biannual report on inactive voters that is due for the state. When a voter misses voting in two elections, he or she is moved to the Inactive Voters List. If the voters remain inactive or if they leave the county or die or otherwise become ineligible, they will eventually be removed from the polls. After New Year's Day, the Madison SOE moved some 500 voters to the Inactive List and removed another 668 from the registration rolls; some of those removed had died, and one of the things Hardee would like to work on is getting funeral homes to send death notices to the SOE's office. Only after such official notification can a deceased voter be removed from the voter registration rolls.

On the other side of the equation, he would like to see every eligible voter in the county registered, especially young people, and he would like them to realize how important their vote is and why it is important to cast their vote and make their voice heard. Once a month, he holds voter registration drives in places like Greenville and Lee, and would like to go to other places like Pinetta. He visits schools, nursing facilities and civic clubs to talk about voting and explain how the process works with mock elections. He has even held a voter registration drive at Project Graduation.

Another idea he is working on is a "Veteran's Wall of Honor" in the Elections Office – Vote in Honor of a Veteran.

"If you have a family member in the military, bring in an 8x10 and we'll scan it in," he said. Their photo will be placed on the wall. Since veterans are the ones who have fought for the continued right to vote for everyone, perhaps a wall of honor will encourage family members and other people to vote in their honor.

He also had some interesting statistics on Madison County voters. Women turn out to vote at a significantly higher rate than men: 4850 females voters to 3806 male voters in the last election. Of those, over half are age 51 or older.

The Supervisor's office is looking at an 11 percent increase in its operating budget next year, due to state mandates, mostly involving increased payments into retirement benefits for employees and elected officials. The increase was instituted mainly due to actuarial tables, but as Hardee pointed out, Miami-Dade can afford it, but smaller counties like Madison struggle with the added expense.

Another thing county offices will have to contend with is the increasing role the state wants to play in running them, mainly because of "three counties that act up every year."

One thing he is proud of is the fact that Madison County, a rural, spread-out community, has four early voting sites to make it easier for its citizens to vote. Early voting has now been extended to 14 days, and he plans to adjust the hours on weekdays and weekends to catch the most voters possible. The more people who vote early, the shorter the lines will be on Election Day.

Another tip for voters, to help save time and make their voting experience as smooth as possible, is to use the sample ballots that arrive in the mail and appear in the newspaper. By studying those ballots, marking their choices ahead of time and bringing those sample ballots with them to the polls, they can shorten the time it takes to vote.

As an example, the last election cycle had a lengthy ballot that included several amendments to the state constitution. Those who had prepared ahead of time and brought their sample ballots with them spent an average of 15



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Supervisor of Elections employees Ludie Porter (left) and Alfreda Martin (right) stand beside a table display encouraging people to vote early.

minutes in the voting booth. Those who hadn't took up to 45 minutes or longer.

There are also several changes to the absentee ballot system that now allows the SOE to contact a voter who forgot to sign his ballot. It also gives a 10-day extension to absentee ballots that must come in from overseas from veterans.

Madison County is also in line for a grant that will help the SOE get an email system up and running to accept overseas ballots; a needed change, as Hardee pointed out, relating the story of an overseas veteran who called twice during the absentee ballot period to try to cast his vote, but the fax line refused to work properly both times.

Something else voters must be aware of is the requirement to bring a photo ID that shows their signature. The most common ID used is a driver's license or a State of Florida ID card. As most people know, Madison no longer has a DMV office, but the FLOW-Mobile (Florida Licensing On Wheels) bus brings a mobile DMV office with everything needed to get or renew a license or get a state photo ID card. It visits Madison County about once a month and its next scheduled stop is August 5 in the Winn-Dixie parking lot from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. For more information on the documentation you'll need to bring with you to the FLOW-mobile, visit the website www.GatherGoGet.com for a checklist of papers you'll need, or call (850) 617-2628 or (850) 443-0406 for more information about the mobile licensing program.

Voters may also need to check on whether or not their signature may need to be updated with the SOE, if their signature has changed in any way over time. Visit the office at 239 S.W. Pinck-



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Supervisor of Elections Tommy Hardee and Rotary Club President Wayne Conger exchange handshakes after Hardee's presentation.

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PROBATE DIVISION

IN RE: ESTATE OF
JERRY WADE HUFSTETLER,
Deceased.

File No. 2013-70-CP
Division _____

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of **JERRY WADE HUFSTETLER**, deceased, whose date of death was **April 5, 2013**, is pending in the Circuit Court for **Madison County, Florida**, Probate Division, the address of which is **Post Office Box 237, Madison, FL 32340**. The name and address of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court **ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.**

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Attorney for Personal Representative: _____ Personal Representative: _____

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LEGAL NOTICE

The Suwannee River Economic Council, Inc. will hold a Planning and Evaluation Committee meeting on **Tuesday, August 13, 2013 at 9:00 A.M.**, at the Suwannee River Economic Council, Inc., Administration Office located at 1171 Nobles Ferry Road NW in Live Oak, Florida.

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LEGAL NOTICE

The Suwannee River Economic Council, Inc. Board of Directors will hold a meeting for the Executive Committee Members on **Tuesday, August 13, 2013, 10:00 A.M.** at Suwannee River Economic Council, Inc. Administration Office located at 1171 Nobles Ferry Road NW Live Oak, Florida.

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

IN RE: FORFEITURE OF
\$43,120.00 in United States Currency
(MCSO Case No: 13-ICE-014)

Case No: 13-214-CA

LEGAL NOTICE

Pursuant to Florida Statutes Section 932.704(6)(a), The Madison County Sheriff's Office has filed a forfeiture complaint in Madison County in the Third Judicial Circuit which is styled in the CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR MADISON COUNTY, FLORIDA, Case No: 13-214-CA. In RE: FORFEITURE OF CASH IN THE AMOUNT OF \$43,120.00 in United States Currency.


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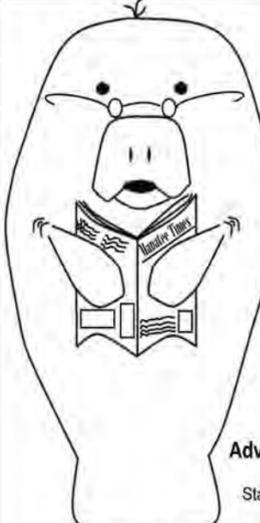
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Greenville Country Christmas Meeting Set

By Jacob Bemby
Greene Publishing, Inc.

The Greenville Country Christmas Committee will hold a meeting on Monday, Aug. 6, at 7 p.m. "We want to invite anyone and everyone who is interested in Country Christmas to attend the meeting," Kathy Reams said. She said their ideas and input would be welcome.

Greenville Country Christmas is an annual event which has been held for over 20 years where people come together to celebrate the Christmas season in Greenville.

The meeting will be held inside the new American Legion Post Hall in Greenville. The Post is the old NAPA Auto parts Building.

The building is located at 133 Grand Street (the corner of US Highway 90 and Grand Street) in Greenville.

For more information on Greenville Country Christmas, please call Stuart McIver (850) 371-0042

Class Of 1973 Reunion Being Planned

Members of the Madison High School Class of 1973 are planning a class reunion to be held December 27-29. The committee is asking that all class members please contact one of the persons listed below to express your interest in participating in the reunion and receive further information. The registration deadline is November 1, 2013.

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Twyla Sketchley: Discussing End-Of-Life Issues

By Lynette Norris
Greene Publishing, Inc.

It's not something people like to talk about, and often families don't plan for it ahead of time, putting it off until necessity hits them in the face. Then, it can be a tangled web of legal requirements, financial pitfalls, and conflicting views of how to care for an elderly relative in his/her last days, weeks, months or years of life.

Twyla Sketchley, of the Sketchley Law Firm in Tallahassee, is one of 99 law firms in Florida that practices elder and guardianship law exclusively. Sketchley visited the residents at Lake Park of Madison recently to talk about the importance of planning ahead for end-of-life issues, making sure families know what their loved one's wishes are, and making any legal arrangements necessary to make sure those wishes are carried out.

The State of Florida is transitioning to a managed care system, said Sketchley, which is yet another reason for making plans now, before others, perhaps even the state, has to step in and make them.

Sketchley, whose lively presentation was not quite what one might expect, included several humorous Star Wars/Star Trek and other pop culture references. The subject at hand could be quite a downer, Sketchley, an admitted "Star Wars geek," told the audience, which was why so many people avoid talking about it.

Yet it is also a subject that no one can afford to ignore, and she felt that presenting the topic in a positive, upbeat manner might make it a little easier for people to think about it.

What kind of care do people want as they come to the end of their lives? Wouldn't it be better to make their own plans, if they do not want others (family members or even strangers) making those decisions for them, should they become incapacitated and no longer able to speak for themselves?

It is a rather serious topic that needs serious consideration, and it can be depressing. Addressing it with a little humor and lightheartedness here and there can help. "Otherwise," said Sketchley, "After talking about death and dying, we can all end up having a pretty bad day."

Sketchley is also licensed to practice law in Montana, which has a right-to-die law, unlike Florida. In the Sunshine State, if people don't make advance decisions about end-of-life health care, they essentially leave those decisions up to Tallahassee. A stranger will be appointed as their guardian, the one who will make those all-important healthcare decisions for them. Sketchley has handled a lot of guardianships for individuals who failed to leave advance plans and were later unable to tell anyone what they did or didn't want.

For herself, she said, she wants no health care at all at the end of her life; she would like to have someone simply drive her up to Montana's Glacier Park and leave her there. Eventually, she hopes she would die of hypothermia, or perhaps in a scenario straight out of Legends of the Fall, "preferably with Brad Pitt somewhere in the picture."

For an individual to spend the end of his life in

the manner of his own choosing, it takes some advance preparation. Since it takes a family and a village to care for the elderly, the frail and the disabled, the person making the initial end-of-life plans should include family members in the discussion to make sure everyone knows what his or her wishes are, taking into account finances and what the individual or family can afford.

One of the most important documents concerned with end-of-life planning is the Advance Directive, which dictates what kind of health care you want at the end of your life. Many people don't think about health care until they get sick, but incapacitating illness isn't something that happens only to the elderly and the infirm. It can happen suddenly and unexpectedly to anyone, as the tragic Teri Shiavo case illustrated. A persistent, vegetative state that is not terminal but that has no brain activity, no meaningful interaction with others and nothing that constitutes what is normally considered "quality of life," can last indefinitely. It can be from a sudden illness or the result of an accident, but without an Advance Directive, the person stricken will have no say in whether life-prolonging measures are employed or not. In the Shiavo case, bitterly feuding family members meant that what should have been a private family/individual matter was eventually battled out in a very public forum...the Florida Legislature.

"If you want to leave your health care decisions up to the legislature in Tallahassee, don't fill out an Advance Directive," said Sketchley.

Another important document to consider is the Living Will, which states what kind of end-of-life treatment you desire, but doesn't kick in until you become incompetent; it spells out the kind of care you would like to receive or would like to have withdrawn once you reach an end stage condition or are found to be in a permanent vegetative state. If you become terminally ill, there is usually a period of time when you can still function well enough to understand your situation and direct your own care. Once you are past that, the Living Will takes effect.

A Living Will should not be confused with a Will, or Last Will and Testament, which directs the distribution of your property once you die. A Living Will applies only to what happens before you reach that point.

Florida does recognize out-of-state Advance Directives or Living Wills, so long as these documents were executed in full compliance with the laws of that state; one problem with online documents is that they may not fully meet all of the state criteria or otherwise not be in full compliance. It is worth your time and money to have an attorney go over your Advance Directive and Living Will to make sure it is a sound legal document rather than leave it all to chance.

Other end-of-life tools are the Health Care Surrogate and the Health Care Proxy. The difference is that the Health Care Surrogate is someone you specifically choose to make health care decisions on your behalf if you cannot make them yourself; a Health Care Proxy is an individual who is designated by the state to make those decisions, chosen from a list of persons who presumably would know your wishes. Your Health Care Surrogate should be given a copy of your Living Will along with your doctors and other family members.

When it comes to a Health Care Surrogate, this is another very important choice that should be considered carefully. It doesn't have to be a family member; it could be a close friend who understands you and what you want and can actually handle the stress of making those decisions for you when the time comes. If you choose a family member, you should also consider who might, as well as who might not be the best choice, even if they are close family, like the irresponsible child/relative you love dearly but who might just up and disappear when the time comes, or the child/relative with religious beliefs that might be incompatible with what you want. Even if the person carried out your wishes the way you would want, he or she would be enduring the extra stress of going against their religious

teachings. A relative with a history of mental illness would not be a good choice, either.

Whomever you wish to designate, pick someone reasonable, capable and mentally sound. Then, talk to the person. These decisions he or she will be called upon to make are hard. Will your surrogate be emotionally capable of handling them?

Your surrogate should be chosen only after careful consideration and several detailed conversations to make sure that the person knows what you want and is comfortable with the responsibility.

Suppose you don't choose a surrogate? In that case, the state will choose a proxy. By law, the first person the state must choose is your spouse. But will he or she be a capable proxy?

If not, or if there is no surviving spouse, the next choice is your children. If there is only one child, and that child is capable, that might work, but if there is more than one child and they cannot all agree, it becomes a decision by committee, where the majority rules...the majority of all available children, that is. If another child lives across the country and cannot be there to add his or her input, they may feel unjustly left out of the process.

Next on the list are your parents, if they are still living. After your parents, your siblings are next on the list. If there's just one, and if he or she is a capable person who knows what you would want, that may be fine. If there is more than one, you will run into the committee situation again.

Then, if none of the above are available, the next person on the list is a licensed clinical social worker.

What about one of your close friends who might know you better than any family member? They're going to be at the bottom of the list - and that includes even "friends-with-benefits" or friends you may be cohabitating with. If this is the person you would want to make your decisions, but you fail to officially choose him or her as your Health Care Surrogate, your children or other family members will make your decisions, not the one person in the world you feel closest to and would rather put your trust in. You have to make it official if that is what you want.

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