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CHRIS THOMPSON HOPES TO MAKE HIS MARK IN THE NFL

By Jacob Bemby
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When Chris Thompson dropped back to return a punt on Thursday evening, Aug. 29, against the Tampa Bay Buccaneers he had one goal on his mind: the end zone! Sixty-nine yards later, he had made that goal a reality.

In a phone interview with this reporter the next day, Thompson said that he hoped he made a statement with the return. Make a statement he did and the statement was bold, in italics with lots of exclamation points at the end.

As the Washington Redskin wearing number 35 sped down the field with the speed of a gazelle, Tampa Bay Buccaneers who tried to catch him were left gasping for breath and lying on the field.

The road to the NFL seemed to be a short distance for young Chris Thompson. Hailing from Greenville, the 5'7", 192-pound running back was a standout at Madison County High School and a member of their 2007 state championship team. From there, he went on to star at Florida State University and had outstanding seasons, particularly in 2011 and 2012, which, unfortunately, were ended due to injuries.

When the 2013 NFL draft came around, Redskins Head Coach Mike Shanahan drafted Thompson in the fifth round to bolster the already strong running backs corps in the nation's capital city.

Thompson came on strong during the second half of the pre-season despite letting the ball bounce out of his hands on a couple of occasions (a no-no in Coach Shanahan's book). When regular punt returner



Chris Thompson

Richard Crawford went down with a season-ending injury, Thompson was called upon to fill his shoes.

Thompson said there was some culture shock when he arrived at the Washington Redskins training camp,

but credits his coaches at Florida State with preparing him for the NFL.

Coach Fisher and my running backs coach had coached a lot of players who went to the NFL, he said.

During his senior year at FSU, Thompson made the move to change the number he wore from 23 to number 4. His reason behind doing it was a former MCHS star and FSU Seminole, Mikhail Kornegay. At FSU, Kornegay wore the number and he served as captain of the

Kornegay. He was best friends with my big brother and while I was in high school and at FSU, he helped me, not only with football but with other areas (of my life).

When asked about what he thought about the Seminoles plans to use former Cowboy and Seminole teammate Jacobbi McDaniel at full-back in short yardage situations, he responded enthusiastically. I love it. He did it a little in high school and hopefully, he can open some holes and get yardage in third and one situations. He can do it.

Thompson is the son of Cynthia and Maurice James and Jerome Thompson. He has four brothers: Mark Leonard, Marcus Thompson, Eric Thompson and O.J. Brinson, and two sisters, Kimberly Barfield and Raven Thompson.

Away from the field, he enjoys playing video games.

I play Madden games and Call of Duty, he said. I probably play them the most.

When asked what he hopes to accomplish in the NFL, Thompson replied, Hopefully making some big plays in the return game and on offense. I want to do what I possibly can do to get to the Super Bowl.

F.L.O.W. Mobile Visiting Madison



By Lynette Norris
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If you need a driver's license renewal, here's a reminder that the F.L.O.W. (Florida Licensing On Wheels) Mobile will be paying another visit to Madison, Friday, Sept. 9. Look for it in the Winn Dixie parking lot across from North Florida Community College, from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m.

The F.L.O.W. Mobile can handle everything a full-sized DMV office can, including license renewals, replacing lost licenses, or issuing state identification cards.

Before you go, be sure to visit the DMV GatherGoGet website for a complete list of all the documentation you'll need to bring with you.

If you have no changes to your name, address or license classification, you can also go online and renew at www.dmv.orida.org.

For more information on the F.L.O.W. Mobile's future dates for Madison County visits, go to the website <http://madisoncounty.com/news.aspx?a=view-Post&PostID=23672>.



Photos

Masonic Lodge With Historic Tie To Madison Burns

Special from Bryant Thigpen
Suwannee Democrat

The historical Hayward Lodge No. 45 Free and Accepted Masons off US 90 in the Falmouth area was found lying in ruins from a fire early Thursday morning by a passer-by. The time of the fire is unknown at this time and the cause of it is currently under investigation, according to Suwannee County Fire Marshal Tim White.

The lodge, a two-story brick building, was found burned to the



ground with trees surrounding the building showing evidence of being burned. A wood framed structure situated next to the brick building was also destroyed

by the fire. The wood building housed bathrooms.

On Thursday morning at approximately 7:30 a.m., Charlie Oxford was driving by the Hayward Lodge, 4683 183rd Lane, Live Oak, to go visit his elderly mother when he noticed the building in ruins.

My mother who lives right down the road from the lodge didn't even know it had happened, said Oxford.

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JULY ONE OF WETTEST MONTHS ON RECORD

By Lazaro Aleman
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Normally the wettest month of the year in north Florida, this July outdid itself, averaging 12.03 inches of rainfall, or 1 1/2 times the normal longtime average of 7.7 inches, making it the wettest July in 23 years and the fifth wettest in 81 years.

Or, as the latest hydrologic conditions report from the Suwannee River Water Management District (SRWMD) states it, this July was the wettest since 1980

and the fifth wettest since 1932.

The cause of the abundant rainfall, according to the SRWMD, was a series of stalled fronts occasioned by a persistent trough of low pressure over the Southeast.

The gauge at the Wacissa Tower in Jefferson County recorded 19.56 inches, the second highest monthly total behind the 21.01 inches recorded at the Cross City gauge (reportedly a new record for July since monitoring began

there in 1948).

The average rainfall for the 12 months ending July 31 was 1.81 inches higher than the long-term average of 54.61 inches, the report states. The average rainfall for the three months ending July 31 was six inches higher than the long-term average of 17.8 inches.

Jefferson County received 11.95 inches, compared with the July average of 7.23 inches. The county overall Please See July Record On Page 3A

Lottery Yields Three Alcohol Quota License Winners

By Jacob Bemby
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Three alcohol quota license winners have been chosen for Madison County through the Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco lottery.

Anyone could enter the lottery for \$100 when it was held for this area. From the entrants, three names were chosen at random. There was a screening process to make sure that those who were chosen had no felony convictions or other problems that could prohibit them from obtaining a liquor license.

The next step for those chosen is to buy the license and pay a \$70 license fee plus a one-time \$10,000 fee to the state to pay for educating the public

about the dangers of alcohol consumption, such as drinking and driving. The license would cost the winners \$10,000 each.

The winner has the option of selling the liquor license for a profit instead of opening a liquor store for himself or herself.

None of the quota license winners were from Madison County.

The winners were Tracy Mel-la Crews Riopelle from Milton, Ga.; Maggie Marie Schultz from Tallahassee; and Nilesh Patel from Ponte Vedra Beach.

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Sat 9/7	85/70		A few thunderstorms possible. Highs in the mid 80s and lows in the low 70s.

VIEWPOINTS & OPINIONS

National Security

WILDFIRE



Joe Boyles
Guest Columnist

You would think that the subject of forest fires is the farthest thing from my mind, given the incredibly wet summer we have experienced. The local KBDI fire potential index (on a scale of zero to 800) is below 200 meaning we are in no real danger of a spontaneous wild fire.

But, if you're paying attention to the national news, you'll know that the west from Colorado to the Pacific is on fire. Massive tracts of forested land, mostly owned by the Federal Bureau of Land Management (BLM), are consumed by flames. It is not uncommon for these fires in the arid west to destroy a hundred thousand acres of vegetation.

What is it that creates the conditions for conflagration? Dry conditions and low humidity are a major factor. Some of these forested areas get less than 10 inches of rainfall in an average year and they're currently in their annual dry cycle. Wind speeds are much higher in these western states than we normally experience; that's why you see so many more windmills out west. The mountainous terrain with deep valleys only accentuate the wind speed; these valleys funnel the wind, creating a venturi effect. The fire accelerates the wind speed as it sucks in more oxygen. It's not uncommon for Santa Anna winds to exceed 75 mph, hurricane force.

So most of the ingredients are present, but what about fuel? The ideal fuel for these wildfires is old, mature forests that have gone untouched for a long time. Perhaps the forests have been infected with an outbreak of bark beetles that kill the trees. This was easy to predict in Colorado several years ago when a beetle outbreak killed millions of trees across the state. The dead trees, most on wide swaths of federally owned land, were left standing, a tinder box of fuel for the next spark.

Where and how that spark ignites is always a matter of investigation. The most likely causes are human arson and nature-induced lightning. The current massive blaze near Yosemite Park in California's central valley may have been started by marijuana growers. One of my family's timber tracts in nearby Hamilton County suffered two wildfires in 2011. The first was arson and burned about 7 acres of timber; the second was caused by lightning a few months later and burned nearly 15 acres.

Fortunately, the Florida Forest Service was quick to respond to both fires and used their bulldozers to cut a rebreak which isolated the blaze and limited the damage.

There is some evidence that our nation's enemies like al-Qaeda have economic warfare strategies to set wildfires such as the 2012 and 2013 fires near Colorado Springs. We do know that the 2012 Waldo Canyon fire was not caused by lightning.

So there you have the three basic components of a fire: fuel, oxygen, and ignition. Arid conditions, high winds and low humidity exacerbate the problem. With that, the firefighters move in to contain the fire and cut off additional sources of fuel with fire lines and aerial release of flame retardants. As you can imagine, it is pretty difficult to contain a wild fire raging in a remote, hilly wilderness where the fire can jump into an adjacent valley quite easily.

And it is dangerous work. Recall that earlier this year near Prescott, Arizona, a firefighting team of more than a dozen was cut off and swept to their death by a wildfire that rapidly changed direction.

Traditionally, fire is an important component of forestry. For centuries, farmers have set controlled burns in their fields and woods to burn off excess fuel. We don't practice too much of that anymore, principally because of the liability threat. I use fire after a logging operation to burn off the remaining slash, clearing the way for replanting the tract in young pines the following winter. However, I don't set fire to the woods any more - too risky. I can burn a timber tract either with fire or with a chemical herbicide like imazapyr. Surprisingly, the cost difference between the two methods isn't that great, and the chemical treatment is much more effective and relatively low risk, so the decision of which method to employ is a no-brainer.

One thing to remember about fire is that it is an important cleansing tool for nature. Not long after fire has swept through an area, new life begins to sprout from the charred ground. In 1988, Yellowstone National Park was swept by a gigantic wildfire. A quarter century later, new vigorously growing vegetation is healing the scars of fire. Nature is resilient.

The problem that led to the Yellowstone fire and many of the current wildfires is that there is too much buildup of fuel. Fire cleans the slate. This problem of excess fuel is more prevalent in the west where environmental laws and other poor management practices set the table for devastating fires. We're less likely to see this in the southeast where most of our forests are privately owned and vigorously managed using economically-incentivized forestry practices.

Health & Wellness Tips

Did You Know...



Frank Nathan
Executive Director
Lake Park of Madison

Getting some regular, daily exercise can reduce your risk of fatal heart disease. And when you combine physical activity with other lifestyle measures, such as maintaining a healthy weight, the payoff is even greater.

Physical activity helps you control your weight and can reduce your chances of developing other conditions that may put a strain on your heart, such as high blood pressure, high cholesterol and diabetes. It also reduces stress, which may be a factor in heart disease.

Try getting at least 30 to 60 minutes of moderately intense physical activity most days of the week. However, even shorter amounts of exercise offer heart benefits, so if you can't meet those guidelines, don't give up. You can even break up your workout time into 10-minute sessions.

And remember that activities such as gardening, housekeeping, taking the stairs and walking the dog all count toward your total. You don't have to exercise strenuously to achieve benefits, but you can see bigger benefits

by increasing the intensity, duration and frequency of your workouts.

As you put on weight in adulthood, your weight gain is mostly fat rather than muscle. This excess weight can lead to conditions that increase your chances of heart disease: high blood pressure, high cholesterol and diabetes.

One way to see if your weight is healthy is to calculate your body mass index (BMI), which considers your height and weight in determining whether you have a healthy or unhealthy percentage of body fat. BMI numbers 25 and higher are associated with higher blood fats, higher blood pressure, and an increased risk of heart disease and stroke.

The BMI is a good, but imperfect guide. Muscle weighs more than fat, for instance, and women and men who are very muscular and physically fit can have high BMIs without added health risks. Because of that, waist circumference also is a useful tool to measure how much abdominal fat you have:

Men are considered overweight if their waist measurement is greater than 40 inches (101.6 centimeters, or cm)

Women are overweight if their waist measurement is greater than 35 inches (88.9 cm)

Notice not one mention of anyone being large boned?

Even a small weight loss can be beneficial. Reducing your weight by just 10 percent can decrease your blood pressure, lower your blood cholesterol level and reduce your risk of diabetes.

Cracker Sez

Inform'n Thuh' Deer



Jim Dietrich
Guest Columnist

Arney Sapp came in thuh feed n seed store tuesday. He has hunted deer fer 35 years. He's always used every trick he knew to outsmart um but he's get n soft as he ages n ee wants ta give um uh fair chance. He said he's always noticed that every year there's plenty of bucks until thuh first day of hunt n season then they're real scarce. He figures thuh raskels can read thuh posted hunt n rules. So he's got uh plan. He made up uh poster ta put at all thuh wildlife management areas n he asked Sam Taylor, thuh owner of thuh feed n seed ta get folks ta put up copies. Here's what it says:

Attention all deer, especially bucks

You all know you can out run uh dog but somehow they catch up to yuh. If you'll notice they always turn yuh in uh circle n there's more of um wait n fresh ta run when yer get n tired. If you'll just keep run n in uh straight line ta begin with, they'll never catch up.

Uh nother thing, Y'all still expect any danger ta come on thuh ground. Yuh need ta watch up in thuh trees n up anything that looks like uh ladder. There's fellers up there wait n ta ambush yuh.

If n yuh see uh pile uh corn, it didn't get there by itself. It's uh trick. Stay away from it n go out in uh field n get some off thuh stalk.

If I think of anything else yuh need ta know, I'll keep yuh posted.

Sam agreed ta help get thuh posters put up. I reckon we'll find out if Arney's right about deer be n able ta read come hunt n season.

Sincerely Yourn
Cracola O Lustee
(Cracker fer short)

Searching For Ambrosia

Her Highness Bakes Dog Cookies



Rose Klein
Columnist

I used to love to bake treats for my dogs. Baking for them was play and it made my heart happy to see their wagging tails when I gave them the freshly baked cookies. My dog treat making skills became professional when I began contracting with a publishing company, providing them with recipes I would develop and make at home. It was the most fun I ever had at a job and I could scarcely call it work. When I moved to Florida, that job ended, and so did my joy in making treats for my dogs. I suppose I resented leaving a job that I loved so much and I continually convinced myself that making dog treats was a thing of the past so that I could avoid those negative feelings.

In trying to decide what to write about this week, dog treats kept coming to mind and as much as I drug my feet on the subject, the night before I had to turn my story in, I finally succumbed and dusted off my dog bone cookie cutters.

This is an easy recipe to make and very forgiving as you can make substitutions with whatever you have on hand, which is exactly what I did last night. In making the cookies, I actually tried several variations with different cheeses and rolled the dough out different sizes to see what my dogs would like the best. In the end, the consensus was, nobody cared; they ate anything and everything I gave them (even those scrap pieces of dough at the end of rolling that looked like a weird shape of Montana, definitely not a bone shape anyway). With happy chomping and tail wags all around, my dogs declared me the Queen of Dog Treats. Looks like my dog treat making skills are back in business.



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My girl, Lucy, enjoying a homemade cookie.

Easy Cheesy Dog Cookies

2 cups our (all-purpose, whole wheat, oat our, or a combination of what you have on hand)

1 to 1 1/2 cups shredded cheese (whatever's in the fridge will do)

2 TB butter

3/4 cup chicken stock (I like homemade for the richness and flavor, but your dogs won't mind if you use canned broth but consider low-sodium. You can also use milk, or even water.)

Grated Parmesan for topping (optional)

I like to use a food processor for this because it makes mixing the cheese so easy, but you can use a standard mixer if you prefer. This is how I make mine:

Place one-cup old-fashioned oats in a food processor, process until ground. (ta-da! oat our) Add one-cup all-purpose our and shredded cheese;

pulse until mixed. Add butter and pulse until crumbly. Slowly pour stock through processor tube until the dough forms a loose ball. Roll dough out onto a oiled surface to 1/4-inch thick (I did roll some to 1/2-inch thickness, but they didn't seem to bake all the way through when I put the Parmesan on top). Cut out cookies, using whatever shape(s) you desire. Using a fork, poke holes in the cutout dough; transfer to a baking sheet lined with parchment paper (you can use greased foil). If using Parmesan on top of cookies, brush lightly with more chicken stock and sprinkle on Parmesan. Bake until cookies are browned on top or if not using topping, bake until cookies are starting to brown around edges. Cool until you're fur babies can snarf them up. These also make a great gift for your family, friends and co-workers fur babies.

*Note: Baking for dogs is fun, but they can't eat all the foods people can. If you're not sure of foods to avoid when baking or cooking for your pets, please ask your veterinarian, as some foods can be toxic and even fatal for dogs.

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Masonic Lodge

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Oxford then made a phone call to one of the members who was shocked to find this historical landmark burned to the ground.

"I got a call from another member who told me the lodge burned down," said current Worshipful Master Ryan Sedgley.

Sedgley, who arrived at the scene just minutes after the phone call, said the fire was completely out and the building showed no signs of hot embers.

"We don't know when this could have happened. All we know is as of Saturday, the building was fine," Sedgley said. "The most important thing is nobody was injured."

White confirmed Suwannee County Fire/Rescue was

not called to the scene. Based on the evidence at the scene, White believes the fire could have happened anytime between Sunday and Wednesday.

"It's been out a while because everything is cold," White said.

White also determined since there was no propane tank, there was no explosion.

"Because there was still electric hooked to the building, that can be a cause and can't be ruled out at this time," said White. At the time of this writing Thursday afternoon, the State Fire Marshal's Office was en route.

The history

The organization was established in 1871 and first began in Madison County. The Hayward Lodge, named in

honor of the past M.W. Grand Master Tomas Hayward, later moved into Suwannee County about two miles east of where the Lodge stood. According to former Worshipful Master Al Williams, the Lodge and a church shared a two-story building.

"The Union Christian Church used the bottom floor and the Lodge met on the top floor," Williams said.

Around 1951, members of Hayward Lodge and Union Christian Church constructed what would become a historical treasure, a two-story block building located on 183rd Lane. For over 60 years, Hayward Lodge has called this place home.

"The church dissolved about 20 years ago, and since

then the Lodge has been using the bottom floor as a fellowship hall," Williams said.

Hayward Lodge maintained ownership of the building and retains a bit of Florida History.

Governor George Drew was the 12th governor of the state of Florida, who began his career in politics as a Madison County commissioner.

"While Governor Drew was in office, he was a member of the Hayward Lodge and was treasurer of the Lodge during his tenure," Williams said. See more at: <http://suwanneedemocrat.com/local/x1253333087/Historical-landmark-destroyed-by-fire#sthash.jGTkk70V.dpuf>.

July Record

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received 54.74 inches of rainfall during the last 12 months, or 90 percent of the annual normal.

Madison County, meanwhile, received 11.21 inches in July, compared with the July average of 7.29 inches. Madison County overall received 58.38 inches during the last 12 months, or 104 percent of the annual normal.

River levels generally rose and caused some flooding, with even the Aucilla cresting at a foot above flood stage and staying above flood stage for three weeks. Lake levels also generally rose during the month as a result of the rains.

Likewise for groundwater levels, which rose by an average of 2.5 feet.

The National Weather Service Climate Prediction Center's three-month outlook shows a potential for above-normal rainfall through the peak of

hurricane season and into October.

"Neutral El Nino/Southern Oscillation conditions are expected into the fall, with no tendency toward either El Nino (cooler and wetter) or La Nina (warmer and drier) conditions," the report states.

The SRWMD continues its Phase I Water Shortage Advisory, which urges the reduction of unnecessary water usage.

The hydrologic conditions report is a compilation of water resource data collected from radar-derived rainfall estimates, groundwater and surface water levels, and river flows, among other sources.

The district encompasses all or parts of 15 counties in north-central Florida, including Madison County and the eastern portion of Jefferson County.

Grace Presbyterian To Host LifeSong



Grace Presbyterian Church will be hosting a southern gospel concert, by "LifeSong" on Sunday evening, Sept. 8, at 6:30 p.m. Grace Presbyterian Church is located at 688 North Washington Avenue.

It has been said that big talent comes out of small towns, and LifeSong is no exception to the rule. While they are all young, their roots run deep in southern gospel music. From the simple lyrics of the gospel, to a genuine love for the people and music, LifeSong continues to reach audiences of all ages and sizes.

The music LifeSong performs is original songs written by group members, southern gospel classics and songs that will take you back to the days of the church hymnal.

"Whether you're five years old attending your first gospel concert, or you're a granny or papa in love with gospel music, we hope to have something that reaches every person attending our concerts," group manager Bryant Thigpen stated.

Following the concert, the church will be providing a meet and greet social.

Please join them. All are welcome!



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Saturday, Sept. 7 from 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.

The sale will be held at Fort Madison Self Storage, 1552 South State Road 53 (across from the Madison Carrier)

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Sagging Pants Stops Thief In His Tracks

In New York, police said a man who was trying to flee with a stolen cell phone was apprehended when his legs became bound by his own sagging pants. Joel Donaldson, a 21-year-old man, allegedly punched a woman in the face and ran off with her cell phone. An officer directing traffic nearby saw Donaldson running while constantly pulling at his pants. The officer was able to tackle Donaldson when his pants fell down to his ankles and stopped him from running. Donaldson was arrested and charged with robbery.

Squee, Selfie and Twerk Are New Words in Online Dictionary

In Oxford, England, Britain's Oxford University press announced additions to its online dictionary. "New words, senses and phrases are added to Oxford Dictionary Online when we have gathered enough independent evidence from a range of sources to be confident that they have widespread currency in English," says Angus Stevenson of Oxford Dictionary Online. The latest quarterly update to its free Oxford Dictionary Online includes dozens of words, such as "squee," an exclamation expressing "great delight or excitement"; "selfie" defined as "a photograph that one has taken of oneself, typically with a smartphone or webcam and uploaded to a social media website" and "twerk," which means to "dance to popular music in a sexually provocative manner involving thrusting hip movements and a low, squatting stance."

Marijuana Operation On YouTube Leads To Arrest

In Auburn, New Hampshire, a man chronicled his marijuana operation on YouTube. Authorities were tipped off to Kyle Berry's operation by a series of videos he posted to YouTube showing "how to grow it, how to set it up, what chemicals he uses and where he gets his seeds," said Assistant Rockingham County Attorney Jerome Blanchard. Berry told the court he was planning to use the marijuana for medical uses and was not planning on selling the drug. He said, "I did it because since 13, I've had 17 surgeries. I didn't realize how bad the medications I was on were clouding my judgment and killing me." Berry was sentenced to one year in jail with four months suspended.

Intoxicated Elk Blocks Man From Entering Home

In Ingaro, Sweden, police say a group of elk became drunk from eating fermented apples and blocked a man in Stockholm from entering his home. In his call, the man said he was being blocked by four adult elk and a calf. Police spokesman, Albin Naverberg said, "I'm not surprised that he called the police when he was faced with a gang of five drunken elk; they can be really dangerous; they become fearless. Instead of backing away when a person approaches, they move toward you. They may even take a run at you." Naverberg said the elk left before the officers arrived and in his police report joked, "Police who arrived on the scene reported that the animals had been warned that the police were on their way and wisely decided to leave the address."

AROUND MADISON COUNTY

Obituary

Harold Calvin Platt

Harold "Hotshot" Calvin Platt was born in Melbourne, Fla. on Dec. 19, 1946 to Minor J. Platt and Marjorie Shave Platt. Growing up on the family ranch helped him develop his

love for his future endeavors in agriculture. He graduated from Melbourne High School in 1964, then attended ABAC in

Tifton, Ga. and the University of Florida where he graduated with a degree in Animal Science in 1970. Upon graduation he returned home to manage the family ranch, using what he had learned to improve genetics and production of their cattle. During his years of ranching in Brevard County he received the following awards: Florida Outstanding Farmer of the Year, Director of Soil & Water Conservation and Director of Florida High Rodeo Association. In 2003 he received the Brevard County Farm Bureau Family of the Year Award.

In 2004, Harold and his family moved to Madison County. In his new adventure, he and his son, Troy won multiple awards at the Southeast Hay Contest which led them to develop all grass forage fed beef, making beef a health food and also founding the family business, Deep Roots Meat. The family was honored in 2011 by receiving the Florida Grazing Land Stewardship Award.

"Hotshot" will best be remembered for the things he loved to do: running a buck with his favorite dogs and listening to the ensuing chase, his passion for turkey hunting, Team

Penning, spending time at the hunting camp and rooting for the Florida Gators. With the arrival of his four grandsons, "Hotshot" transitioned from hunter to teacher, insuring his experiences would be instilled in them. He also attended the First United Methodist Church of Madison.

He is survived by his wife of 43 years, Cheri Platt, his son Troy and daughter-in-law Tracey, his daughter Tricia and son-in-law Matt Stafford. His four grandsons, Levi Stafford, Tyler Platt, Wyatt Stafford and Tanner Platt. He also has two surviving sisters, Mary MontsDeOca and Marilyn Platt and three brothers Minor, Roy and Paul.

The viewing will be held on Thursday, Sept. 5 at Beggs Funeral Home, Madison Chapel 235 NW Orange Ave, Madison, FL from 6 to 8 p.m. The Funeral will be held on Friday, Sept. 6 at First United Methodist Church of Madison at 11:00 a.m.

In lieu of flowers please send a donation in honor of Harold "Hotshot" Calvin Platt to UF Health Shands Hospital, to help them continue their research in finding a cure for cancer.



Jay Lee of Pest Patrol Part Three: Palmetto Bugs, Cockroaches and Bed Bugs



Greene Publishing, Inc. Photo by Lynette Norris, August 27, 2013

Jay Lee, proprietor of family owned-and-operated Pest Patrol, offers some advice along with 25 years of experience in the pest management field.

By Lynette Norris
Greene Publishing, Inc.

Jay Lee, proprietor of Pest Patrol, a local family-owned-and-operated business, has been helping folks in Madison battle annoying household pests for years, and has some advice on steps people can take themselves to help keep these pests at bay. By understanding some of the ways these pests operate and how they get into your home in the first place, you might be able to cut down on their numbers and reduce the problem. If you still need help, Pest Patrol is there for you.

Part One (8/28/13) looked at problems with those little black ants that get into everything. Part Two (8/30/13) looked at the problem with fleas. Part Three looks at two more common household pests in North Florida, palmetto bugs and German cockroaches, as well as a new arrival: bedbugs.

Insects need heat and humidity to thrive, and summer is more ideal for their populations to flourish. The influx of pests this year are partly due to the excess rain which may disturb some of their outdoor shelters and send them hunting for shelter indoors, but the far more important factor is the

extremely mild winter we had this year, with very few days of freezing temperatures. If we have very cold winters with several good hard freezes, it kills back the populations and makes managing pests later on a little easier. Without this cold winter kill-off, spring brings on ideal conditions for burgeoning populations.

miniature brown helicopter. If a house has an ongoing problem with large roaches coming in, there may also be egg capsules attached to surfaces in out-of-the-way areas, capsules with crunchy, dark brown casings about the size of an elongated Tic-Tac. These capsules can contain up to 20 or 30 eggs each.

If an indoor infestation gets too bad, for instance in an older home with myriad entry points or no air conditioning, Pest Patrol can help get rid of them and offer advice on keeping them down.

German cockroaches
Unlike their outdoorsy cousins, the smaller German cockroaches seldom get more than half an inch long, and although they have wings, they are very poor flyers. They love the indoors, especially kitchens, and they love cracks, crevices and tight spaces, and these are among the areas that will need to be treated to get rid of them. They also reproduce much faster, with egg capsules that contain 48 eggs each and remain attached to the female until the eggs are ready to hatch. They are more social than their cousins, and will often congregate somewhere, perhaps in a kitchen, hanging out in groups until they're ready to feed.

Since they are mostly indoor bugs, particularly drawn to human food sources (kitchens, restaurants, food processing plants, etc.) they are also a health hazard to humans, and Lee believes that those in the pest management business are more than just pest controllers. "We are stewards of the environment and of public health and safety," he says, citing an article in the *New England Journal of Medicine* that states the number one cause of children being taken to the ER with breathing problems is cockroach dander. In severe cases, cockroaches eating children's eyebrows and defecating in the eye sockets can introduce pathogens into the eyes.

This was the case with a residence near the Cherry Lake region of Madison County several years ago, one of the worst infestations Lee had ever seen. The children were pale and sickly because of it. Getting the pests under control was a cooperative effort between the homeowner and Pest Patrol, and because of the severity, the ongoing battle lasted nearly six months. But in the end, with the cockroaches gone, the children's health improved dramatically. "Homeowners have to be a part of the solution," said Lee. In cases where homeowners need the help of professionals, "If you'll follow my guidance, it will improve and speed up the process," he said. Having done this for 25 years, and with the continuing education requirements of his profession, he has a store of knowledge and advice he can offer to customers.

Incidentally, they love to fly at night and are excellent flyers. This might be what many people find most disconcerting about them (aside from their creepy-crawly appearance), especially if anyone has ever tried swatting one of them off the wall, missed, and sent it flying around the room like a

wood roach problem. However, these bugs don't prefer to live in air-conditioned homes, since they need lots of humidity and moisture. Their bodies have a very high water content, and they can die quickly from dehydration. Lee tells the story of a customer who wanted to show him a two-inch roach, and brought the dead bug in a Ziploc bag; however by the time he met up with Lee, the customer was astonished to see that the roach had shrunk down to about two-thirds its original size and was floating around in liquid that resembled...well...iced tea. That was the liquid that had started seeping out of its body upon death.

They are fairly easy to keep out by finding their points of entry and sealing them up. If homeowners want to enjoy nice weather with open windows, these should all have well-fitted screens. Keep the doors shut, unless the doorway has a well-fitted screen door that leaves no gaps around the edges and meets the threshold at the bottom. If a big roach ends up inside, stepping on it or smashing it with a fly swatter is usually sufficient.

Bed bugs
They're heeere.
Bed bugs are tiny, oval-shaped parasites that feed on the blood of humans. Since they are so small and come out at night, they are often hard to detect until they are well established. During the day, they retreat to hiding places near the host, often in bedding, couches or other padded furniture. They

can lay eggs by the hundreds in the seams of fabric.

Homeowners usually find bed bugs after noticing bug bites on the human host. These can resemble a rash or can break out in large, blistery patches. Other adverse health affects can be allergy symptoms common to bed bug infestations.

The homeowner may also notice bed bug droppings – tiny, dark, barely visible, dust-speck-like spots on the bedding, that, when wetted, will smear red like fresh blood. In other cases, they may find molted exoskeletons or actually see the pests if they happen to wake up and turn on the light in the middle of the night.

Bed bugs were almost eradicated in most developed countries after the 1940s and 1950s, but then they started to reappear in certain parts of the United States around 1995. For a while after that, you still didn't need to worry about bed bugs unless you planned to travel in New England or other parts of the Northeast, where they were turning up even in four-star hotels in New York City.

Now, they are definitely in the Southeast and other parts of the country as well, and they arrived in Madison about a year ago. Fortunately, there have been only a handful of cases so far, because bed bug infestations tend to break out more in the larger metropolitan regions than in the more rural areas, but when they get an antenna in the door, they mean to stay. If you live in an apartment or other multi-family dwelling, and if bed bugs break out in one unit, they can travel through ductwork to spread to other units. Bed bugs are notorious hitchhikers and can invade even super-clean households on the clothing of visitors, on pets, or on infested upholstered furniture or other items brought in from another location with an infestation.

"Bed bugs are tough," said Lee. This is one pest that almost always requires a professional to eradicate. Home remedies may not be effective and the chemicals that have to be used must be handled in strict accordance with regulations.

"It goes against all our training, but in this case, we have to spray the bedding, and we have to spray the furniture," said Lee. Pest Patrol uses compounds that are specifically formulated to kill the bugs and still be safe for human contact later on.

Finally, if you plan to travel in an area where bed bugs are active, check the information on these two websites: http://www.cbnews.com/8301-505144_162-37042517/bed-bug-danger-5-ways-to-stay-safe-when-you-travel/ and <http://extension.psu.edu/pests/bedbugs/precautions-travelers>.

A final word on mosquitoes

Even with the high rainfall amounts and very wet summer, we didn't have quite the huge population of mosquitoes that we expected.

In that respect, "We've been fortunate," said Lee.

For more information on Pest Patrol and the services offered, follow them on their Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/pestpatrolpro> or visit their website <http://pestpatrolpro.com/6.html>.

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separation.

The weekly meetings on Sunday evenings will provide a warm and caring oasis for those suffering through the trauma of divorce or separation. The first half of the two hour meeting time will offer a video seminar featuring information-packed videos and some of

the nation's top Christian divorce recovery experts. After a short break the meeting will divide into a Ladies' Support Group and a Mens' Support Group to discuss the week's topic and offer encouragement and support as the group navigates together this most difficult time in life.

During the week, journaling and workbook exercises will help members rein-

force the lessons of the previous session. Class participants will also have access to the DivorceCare website as well as daily email updates and encouraging messages.

The class is open to anyone, and the only cost is \$15 to cover the price of the workbook. Childcare is provided free of charge. Register with the church by Friday, Sept. 6 to ensure ma-

terials are available at the first session. The group's fall schedule can be found at www.divorcecare.org. Simply type in your zip code and click on First Baptist Madison Fall 2013 to see more details on the schedule.

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SPORTS

Cowboys Rope Tampa Catholic

By Fran Hunt
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The Madison County Cowboys manned the field against Tampa Catholic on August 30 in the season opener, and the Cowboys roped their opponent for a 30-15 victory.

Quarterback Akevious Williams had three pass completions out of 112 attempts for 75 yards, and two touchdowns.

In rushing, Eric Bright had 17 carries for 157 yards, and one touchdown.

Deontaye Oliver had nine carries for 44 yards.

Jamond Bruton had six carries for 34 yards.

Akevious Williams had three carries for three yards lost.

James Monlyn had two carries for 53 yards.

Kenny McQuay had one carry for 43 yards.

In receiving,

Cody Lange had one pass reception for 28 yards.

Javon Redding had one pass reception for 26 yards.

Jaquez Arnold had one pass reception for 21 yards.

On the defensive side of the field, Deontaye Oliver had three tackles, one assist, and one pass interception.

Brice Hamilton had six tackles, five assists, one tackle for a loss, and

one quarterback sack. Ladarius Robinson had six tackles, and one assist.

Cha-vaz Gee had seven tackles, two assists, one tackle for a loss, and one fumble recovery.

Chris Cooks had three tackles, five assists, and one fumble recovery.

Jay West had one tackle, two assists, and one pass interception.

James Monlyn had

three tackles, three assists, and one forced fumble.

Coddrick Griffin had three tackles, and four assists.

David Orr had five assists.

#38 (no name on roster) had five tackles, and three assists.

Eli Sellers had eight assists.

Orient Livingston had three tackles, two assists, and two tackles for a loss.

#99 (no name on roster) had five tackles, four assists, two tackles for a loss, and two quarterback sacks.

Akevious Williams had one tackle.

Kenny McQuay had one tackle, and one assist.

Devarion Edwards had one assist.

The Cowboys hit the field Friday, September 6 at 7:30 p.m., against eastern Christian Academy, at Boothill.

2013 Cowgirl Volleyball Schedule

Date	Home	Away
Tuesday, September 3		Florida High 5:30 PM JV 7:00 PM Varsity
Thursday, September 5		Suwannee 5:00 PM JV 6:00 PM Varsity
Tuesday, September 10		Godby 5:30 PM JV 7:00 PM Varsity
Thursday, September 12		Taylor County 5:30 PM JV 7:00 PM Varsity
Monday, September 16	Hamilton County 5:30 PM JV 7:00 PM Varsity	
Tuesday, September 17	East Gadsden 7:00 PM Varsity	
Thursday, September 19		Community Christian(@Madison) 5:30 PM JV 7:00 PM Varsity
Monday, September 23	Taylor County 5:30 PM JV 7:00 PM Varsity	
Tuesday, September 24	Florida High 5:30 PM JV 7:00 PM Varsity	
Monday, September 30	Suwannee 5:00 PM JV 6:00 PM Varsity	
Thursday, October 3	Godby 5:30 PM JV 7:00 PM Varsity	
Thursday, October 10		East Gadsden 7:00 PM Varsity
Tuesday, October 15	Community Christian 5:00 PM JV 7:00 PM Varsity Senior Night	
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Wakulla JV Upends Madison JV

By Jacob Bemby
Greene Publishing, Inc.

The Madison County High School Cowboys' junior varsity football squad made the trek to Medart on Thursday, Aug. 29, to battle the Wakulla War Eagles JV squad.

The Cowboys came up on the losing end in the conflict. The War Eagles won the game 28-7.

No stats were available for the game, since

none are kept for the JV.

James Ertzberger serves as the head coach for the JV and the coaching staff for the MCHS varsity serves as assistants.

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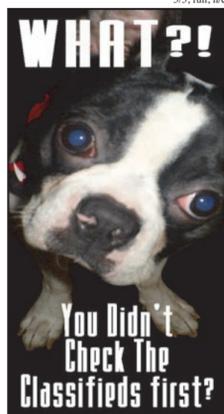
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR MADISON COUNTY, FLORIDA

OLD BLUE SPRINGS, LLC, Plaintiff, vs. SANDRA JEAN-BAPTISTE, also known as SANDRA ROSE JEAN-BAPTISTE, also known as SANDRA R. JEAN-BAPTISTE, also known as SANDRA J. BAPTISTE, also known as SANDRA R. JEAN, as the surviving spouse of ROGER DESIR, also known as ROGER L. DESIR, also known as ROGER LIONEL DESIR, deceased, and any and all unknown heirs, devisees and legatees of ROGER DESIR, also known as ROGER L. DESIR, also known as ROGER LIONEL DESIR, deceased. Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that, pursuant to Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure dated August 26, 2013, entered in the above styled cause, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the Madison County Courthouse in Madison, Madison County, Florida, at 11:00 A.M. on Sept 30th, 2013, the following described property:

Lot 20, Block A of RIVER TRACE, a subdivision according to plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 2, pages 28-30, public records of Madison County, Florida.

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens filed herein must file a claim with this court within sixty (60) days after the date of the sale.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have executed this Notice and affixed the seal of this Court this 21 day of August, 2013.

TIM SANDERS
 Clerk of Court

By: *Thomas DeLoach*
 Deputy Clerk

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

POW WOW, LLC, a Florida limited liability company, Plaintiff, vs. PATRICIA E. THOMPSON, Defendant.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that, pursuant to Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure dated August 26, 2013, entered in the above styled cause, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the Madison County Courthouse in Madison, Madison County, Florida, at 11:00 A.M. on Sept 30, 2013, the following described property:

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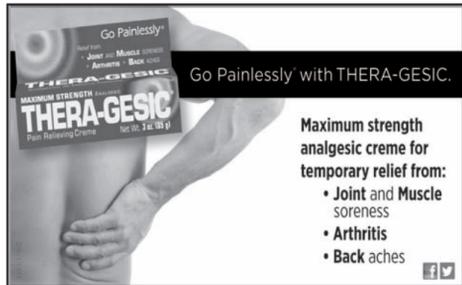
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have executed this Notice and affixed the seal of this Court this 28 day of August, 2013.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR MADISON COUNTY, FLORIDA
IN RE: FORFEITURE OF \$15,130.00 IN UNITED STATES CURRENCY (MCSO Case No: 13-ICE-023)
Case No: 13-271-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: 13-271-CA. In Re: FORFEITURE OF CASH IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,130.00 IN UNITED STATES CURRENCY.
PAUL A. M. SPARKMAN
Attorney at Law
FL BAR ID 0135925
P.O. Box 247
Monticello, Florida 32345
Attorney for Plaintiff
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR MADISON COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 2013-77-CP
IN RE: ESTATE OF ALBERT JOSEPH WEIS
Deceased.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate of ALBERT JOSEPH WEIS, deceased, whose date of death was June 5, 2013, is pending in the Circuit Court for Madison County, Florida, Probate Division; File Number 2013-77-CP; the names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.
All creditors of the decedent and other persons, who have claims or demands against decedent's estate, including unsecured, contingent or unliquidated claims, and who have been served a copy of this notice, must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF THREE (3) MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.
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ALL CLAIMS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.
NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.
THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE IS September 4, 2013.
Attorney for Personal Representative: Personal Representative:
/s/ Clay A. Schnitker /s/ Eleanor C. Kimball
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR MADISON COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 40013CA000292CAXXXX
RBS FINANCIAL PRODUCTS INC., PLAINTIFF,
VS.
YOLANDA BELLAMY A/K/A YOLANDA BELLAMY, ET AL. DEFENDANT(S)
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated August 26, 2013 in the above action, I will sell to the highest bidder for cash at Madison, Florida, on Sept 20, 2013 at 11:00 AM, at West front steps of courthouse - 125 S.W. Range Ave., Madison, FL 32340 for the following described property:
A PARCEL OF LAND LYING IN SECTION 1, TOWNSHIP 1 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST, MADISON COUNTY, FLORIDA, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 1; THENCE N88 DEG 32'15"W, A DISTANCE OF 810.99 FEET; THENCE N00 DEG 00'00"E, A DISTANCE OF 204.24 FEET; THENCE N88 DEG 32'13"W, A DISTANCE OF 210.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE N88 DEG 32'13"W, A DISTANCE OF 212.09 FEET; THENCE N00 DEG 00'00"E, A DISTANCE OF 207.51 FEET; THENCE S88 DEG 32'13"E, A DISTANCE OF 212.09 FEET; THENCE S00 DEG 00'00"E, A DISTANCE OF 207.51 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING
BEING SUBJECT TO AND TOGETHER WITH THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED 30.00 FOOT EASEMENT FOR INGRESS AND EGRESS LYING IN SECTION 1 TOWNSHIP 1 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST MADISON COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
COMMENCE AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 1, AND RUN N88 DEG 32'15"W, 810.99 FEET, THENCE N00 DEG 00'00"E, 204.24 FEET, THENCE N88 DEG 32'13"W, 210.00 FEET, THENCE N00 DEG 00'00"E, 35.46 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF SAID EASEMENT, FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING RUN S84 DEG 05'53"W, 227.55 FEET, THENCE N89 DEG 23'17"W, 116.28 FEET, THENCE N81 DEG 32'37"W, 96.83 FEET, THENCE S79 DEG 08'38"W, 130.59 FEET, THENCE S81 DEG 59'07"W, 308.37 FEET TO THE EASTERLY MAINTAINED RIGHT OF WAY OF A 30.00 FOOT COUNTY GRADED ROAD, THENCE N19 DEG 26'37"E ALONG SAID RIGHT OF WAY, 33.81 FEET, THENCE LEAVING SAID RIGHT OF WAY RUN N81 DEG 59'07"E, 292.13 FEET, THENCE N79 DEG 08'38"E, 134.95 FEET, THENCE S81 DEG 32'37"E, 99.88 FEET, THENCE S89 DEG 23'17"E, 112.52 FEET, THENCE N84 DEG 05'53"E, 228.95 FEET, THENCE S00 DEG 00'00"W, 30.16 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING
TOGETHER WITH THAT CERTAIN 2005 FLEETWOOD BEACON HILL MANUFACTURED HOME, SER. NO. GAF1535A/B90599-B121
Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the foreclosure must file a claim within sixty (60) days after the sale. The Court, in its discretion, may enlarge the time of the sale. Notice of the changed time of sale shall be published as provided herein.
DATED: 8-27-13
Honorable Tim Sanders
Deputy Clerk of the Court
If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact ADA Coordinator at 386-719-7428, 173 NE Hernando Avenue, Room 408, Lake City, FL 32055 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR MADISON COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 2013-CA-146
OLD BLUE SPRINGS, LLC, a Florida Limited Liability Company, Plaintiff,
vs.
CRAIG A. GRANT and CAROL L. HOUPF, now known as Carol L. Harper, GARY CONLEY, MADISON BLUE, INC., a Florida Corporation, et al. Defendants.
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure dated August 27, 2013 in the above referenced case in which OLD BLUE SPRINGS, LLC, a Florida Limited Liability Company, is Plaintiff, and CRAIG A. GRANT and CAROL L. HOUPF, now known as Carol L. Harper, GARY CONLEY, MADISON BLUE, INC., a Florida Corporation; unknown tenants; and other unknown parties in possession, including the unknown spouse of any person in possession of the property, and if a named Defendant is deceased, the surviving spouse, heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors, and all other parties claiming by, through, under or against that Defendant, and all claimants, persons or parties, natural or corporate, or whose exact legal status is unknown, claiming under any of the named or described Defendants, are Defendants, I, TIM SANDERS, Clerk of the Court, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the front door of the Madison County Courthouse or such other location in the Madison County Courthouse in Madison, Florida, as I as the Clerk of the Court may designate at the time of sale, at 11:00 o'clock A. M. on the 24th day of September, 2013, the following described property set forth in the Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure:
Lot 23, Benchmark Acres
A parcel of land lying in Section 15, Township 1 South, Range 10 East, Madison County, Florida and being more particularly described as follows: Commence at the Southwest corner of the Northwest Quarter of said Section 15, and run South 89°54'47" East, a distance of 1571.59 feet; thence North 00°42'25" West, a distance of 57.59 feet to the North right of way of Bandit Street, said point being the Point of Beginning; from said Point of Beginning and leaving said right of way, continue North 00°42'25" West, a distance of 694.53 feet; thence South 89°57'55" West, a distance of 318.05 feet; thence North 00°42'25" West, a distance of 567.41 feet; thence North 89°57'55" East a distance of 348.06 feet; thence South 00°42'25" East, a distance of 1263.57 feet to said right of way; thence North 86°55'32" West, along said right of way, a distance of 30.07 feet to the Point of Beginning.
Subject to any county road right of way.
Subject to a 10 foot utility easement on each lot line.
Any and all bidders, parties or other interested persons shall contact the information desk of the Clerk of the Court prior to the scheduled foreclosure sale who will advise of the exact location in the Madison County Courthouse for the foreclosure sale.
ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE FORECLOSURE SALE, MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE.
[NOTE: If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Court Administrator, Post Office Box 1569, Lake City, Florida 32056-1569, Telephone: (386) 758-2163, within two (2) working days of your receipt of this Notice or pleading. If you are hearing or voice impaired, please call: 1-800-955-8771.]
WITNESS my hand and the official seal of said Court, this 27th day of August, 2013, at Madison, Madison County, Florida.
HONORABLE TIM SANDERS
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
MADISON COUNTY, FLORIDA
By: Ramona Dickinson
At Deputy Clerk
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR MADISON COUNTY, FLORIDA
IN RE: ESTATE OF WALTER STEPHEN BUCKELS, Deceased.
FILE NO.: 2013-CP-66
DIVISION: PROBATE
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate of WALTER STEPHEN BUCKELS, deceased, whose date of death was April 25, 2013, is pending in the Circuit Court for Madison County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Madison County Courthouse, 125 SW Range Avenue, Room 106, Madison, Florida 32340, File No. 2013-CP-66. The names and addresses 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 WITHIN THE LATER OF THREE (3) MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.
All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN THREE (3) MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.
ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.
NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.
The date of the first publication of this Notice is August 28, 2013.
Attorney for Personal Representative: Personal Representative:
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Joseph L. Vaughn, Jr. 9086 Berens Street
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By Rose Klein
Greene Publishing, Inc.

If you're a parent or grandparent for school-aged children and are looking for something meaningful to pass the time, have you ever considered being a volunteer at your child or grandchild's school? There are benefits to being a school volunteer. You would be able to learn about and develop relationships with your child's teachers, principal and classmates.

can assist the teacher with duties like making copies or cutting out pictures for a new bulletin board, how about being a lab helper or assist with a special interest club or sports program? Guest speakers are always welcome in the classroom and if you have expertise in an area, teachers would gladly give you the spotlight to share your knowledge. How about Library Assistant, or in the case of Gina McCulley, you may end up acting as the school librarian.

When McCulley approached Pinetta Elementary to see how she could help out her grandchildren's school, she was ushered into the library, where she has now volunteered for four years. Principal Beth Moore said Pinetta has been without a librarian for 10 years because funds are given according to the number of students enrolled in a school, and Pinetta's numbers can't cover the cost of a librarian. McCulley has been able to pick up that slack and comes to the school for a few hours in the morning every day. She said she even comes in on the weekends, trying to get the books current for the Accelerated Reading Program. The program is on a point system and a specified number of points are required for each grade. Students come into the library and pick

out a book to read. After they read the book, there is a computer in the library where the student will test on the book. An 80 percent passes the student and gives them the points that the book is worth. McCulley is working to make sure all the books have their points listed on the inside or back cover and she is also reorganizing the entire library in an attempt to generate interest in students reading. She says what she loves the most about volunteering is the kids and the opportunity "to open their eyes about the world through reading."

Beth Moore says the school would love to have more volunteers and if anyone is interested they should contact her at Pinetta Elementary School, 850-973-5028. If you're wondering if your child's school accepts volunteers, you can call the school board associated with the school, where you will be required to undergo a volunteer screening beforehand. Even if you think you don't have the necessary skills to volunteer, McCulley says you do. Her previous life experience was centered on food and health-care, but by stepping forward to volunteer, she has found a new interest and enthusiasm she might never have known.

Teaching Twins And Triplets At ACA



Photo Submitted

The twins of Aucilla take a break from class to pose with each other. Left to right: Leighton and Benjamin Faglie of Monticello (K5), Aiden and Axel Day of Greenville (3rd), Emma and Kaitlyn Tharpe of Monticello (3rd), Anna Lee and Clay Trest of Monticello (5th), Alissa and Jarrett Roland of Greenville (5th), Anna and Sammi Drawdy of Perry (3rd), and Elizabeth and Caleb Walker of Greenville (1st).



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The Smyrnios triplets pose for the camera at an ACA class reunion in 2012 Left to right: Manuel, George and Gus.

Submitted by ACA

Twenty-five years after ESPN crews arrived to record the Smyrnios triplets in action on Warrior Memorial Field, Aucilla Christian Academy is exper-

riencing a similar phenomena: three sets of twins in one class with a total of seven sets in the elementary grades, giving ACA a 10 percent twin student population in grades K4 through fifth.

Carol Aman, who has taught at ACA for 33 years, says she has never had so many multiples in one class. "They do not sit together, and usually do not pick the other when needing a partner," said Aman. That fact alone may be a little surprising. With three sets of twins in her class, she said she sometimes gets confused with names and who did what. "One of them today brought something to share and, at lunch, I forgot which twin it was," said Aman. The other students, however, don't seem to get confused.

Principal Richard Finlayson, former classmate to the Smyrnios triplets - George, Gus and Manuel - said he could always tell them apart, although teachers sometimes had a hard time if they had never taught them. "As identical as the Smyrnios triplets were," said Finlayson, "each triplet had his own personality, and the same is true for the sets of twins now attending ACA."

Even Michele Tharpe, an ACA science teacher and a mother herself to third grade identical twins - the only identical set at ACA, has a hard time telling her girls, Emma and Kaitlyn, apart at times. In fact, when identifying them in their ACA twin photo, she could only recognize them based on what they were wearing and their smiles. "Even though they look identical," said Tharpe, "they have many differences, especially when it comes to their favorite foods."

Anna Lee and Clayton Trest, fraternal twins in Wanda Hughey's fifth grade class are as different as night and day. "I hate spiders," said Anna Lee, while Clayton simply asked, "What's so bad about spi-

ders?" In boy/girl fraternal twins, such comments are common.

These days, ACA places twins either in the same or in different classes, based on parental preference. "My twins like to be together," said Lisa Roland, ACA's secondary math teacher and mother of Alissa and Jarrett, fifth graders and the oldest twins at ACA. "They just have a very special bond."

First grade teacher Tonya Roberts, who teaches twins, Caleb and Elizabeth Walker, told a funny story about an incident that happened in class. "One day Caleb accidentally got Elizabeth's lunch," said Roberts. "When they discovered this, they just had to get it straight. Even though the lunches were the same, they wanted the one with their own name on it!"

While telling twins and triplets apart can be challenging for teachers at the beginning of a new school year. "Our goal, as a school, is to take siblings and twins and help mold them into the unique boys and girls God created them to be," said Finlayson.

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