

City Adopts Roll-Back Millage Rate

By Lynette Norris
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At its second public hearing on the city's proposed budget for FY 2013-2014, the City Commission voted to adopt the rollback millage rate of 6.1715, or the rate that would allow the city to collect virtually the same amount of revenue it will collect for the current fiscal year of 2012-2013.

At a Rotary Club meeting the following day, City Manager Tim Bennett gave a presentation on the 6.5 million dollar budget the city had adopted, saying that he feared it would not be sufficient to run a city the size of Madison, and that it would potentially run into a shortfall in the tenth or eleventh month (which, in the fiscal year calendar, translates to July or August of 2014).

It requires roughly 7.1 million to safely and efficiently run a city of Madison's size, he said - to keep its parks and cemeteries maintained,



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At the Rotary Club meeting, the next day after the city budget meeting, City Manager Tim Bennett talks about the city's newly adopted budget for 2013-2014.

its garbage collected, its drinking water clean and safe, its infrastructure repaired, and its natural gas, water and electricity safely delivered to customers, its fire and building codes enforced, its public safety maintained, and myriad other things that go into even the bare-bones functioning of a city in a way that does not compromise the health and safety of its citizens.

"What's the solution for when the city runs out of money?" he asked. He had prepared a list of ideas for the short and long term; his goal was not to dip in the city's contingency fund (its "savings account") like he and the commission had to do last year to meet unexpected expenses, some from unfunded state mandates.

A city the size of Madison, with monthly expenses averaging \$590,000 per month, should have at least enough money to cover three

months' worth of expenses in a contingency fund, or about 1.8 million. Right now, the city has about 1.2 million in that fund.

Compounding the problem is that the city is facing flat or declining revenues and rising expenses in a climate of flat or very slow economic growth. The revenue from what city customers pay for natural gas (one of two big money-makers for the city, the other one being wastewater fees) for example is declining. There has been a five percent increase in natural gas rates every year, but that has not translated into any increase in revenue. It is possible that the mild winters for the last few years have meant that people are using less natural gas, but Bennett is having an auditor look at the issue to make sure something else isn't amiss.

Another complication is that the aging infrastructure means that the crumbling streets are generating repair bills almost every week. At the aging wastewater plant, the city cannot re-invest revenue in infrastructure there because there is no revenue left over with which to do so. In the future, the city is going to be hit with increasing needs for things like meters, piping and other materials.

When it comes to public safety, its police department is staffed at slightly higher levels than cities of comparable size and population. Currently, however, because of grant money requirements, those staffing levels must be maintained until the grant expires. Two or three years down the road the city can look at reducing the number of police officers, but through attrition, not layoffs.

In the mean time, whenever a city employee quits or retires, "We're going to take a long hard look at whether or not we can get by without someone in that position before we consider replacement," said Bennett.

Madison is also reducing overtime and will look at increasing rates for services like water sewer and natural gas, if they are justified. It will look at possibly outsourcing or bidding out some of its services, and increasing employee contributions to retirement funds.

On the one positive note, the city was able to reduce its healthcare costs by 19 percent by switching carriers.

Rotarian Jim Stanley added that he had served on the board of city

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Vickers To Pass Gavel To Hamrick



Wayne Vickers Justin Hamrick
By Jacob Bemby
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Justin Hamrick will be named the new chairman of the Board of County Commissioners as Wayne Vickers, the current chairman, passes the gavel to him at the beginning of the Wednesday, Oct. 2, meeting, immediately following roll call.

Board chairmen serve on a nine-month rotating basis, so each district's commissioner gets to serve as chairman.

On the agenda for Wednesday's meeting will be:

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Discussion Regarding Inter-local Agreement for Maintenance of NW Crane Avenue - County Coordinator.

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MPD Urges People To Be Aware Of Car Burglaries

Recently, officers of the Madison Police Department responded to five vehicle burglaries that occurred in the Livingston Springs area over a single night. There was no forced entry to any of these vehicles; all the vehicles were left unlocked.

Please allow this incident to serve as a reminder

to all of Madison County residents about the importance of locking your vehicle and home. In addition, you should be in the habit of securing other valuables. The MPD has seen many incidents over the years of people leaving checkbooks, laptop computers and other valuable items in an unlocked vehicle. This is an

open invitation for criminals to easily get away with your property.

You can help by reporting suspicious people or incidents to the police department at 973-5077 or 973-4001. If you see that a neighbor has left a door open or left a valuable item unsecured, remind them to lock it up.

Florida Bans Texting While Driving



By Rose Klein
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After five years of trying, and with only eight states left in the nation to get on board, Florida will become the 41st state to issue a texting while driving ban. The ban states that it will be unlawful for drivers to type messages into a smart phone or other mobile devices as they attempt to navigate stoplights, pedestrians and fellow lane-changing drivers. The ban falls short in that texting while driving will only be a secondary offense, meaning that if law enforcement officers see people texting while

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Cherry Lake Fire & Rescue Hosting Bass Tournament

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Cherry Lake Fire & Rescue will host a bass fishing tournament as a fundraiser for the volunteer department on Saturday, Oct. 5, from 6 a.m.-noon.

Registration will begin at 5 a.m. at the Madison County Public Boat Ramp, next to the 4-H Camp.

Entry fee is \$25 per person. There will be an entry fee of \$10 per boat to compete for the Biggest Bass prize. Cash prizes will be awarded.

For more information, please call (850) 929-2354 and leave a message.

Scam Alert



Madison County Sheriff Ben Stewart reports that the Sheriff's Office is receiving numerous fraud complaints where citizens have fallen victim to forwarding monies to unknown individuals that inevitably turn out to be in foreign countries. Unfortunately "SCAMS" continue to thrive as the "SCAM" artist come up with new innovative ways to get persons to send money.

Some of the most recent "SCAMS" appear to target the elderly and start with an elderly person getting a telephone call from people trying to collect loans from the consumer that were never received or possibly on a loan that was received but not for the alleged amount or from a creditor that has not authorized the caller to collect for them.

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Pinetta VFD And Community Center Hosting Yard Sale

By Jacob Bemby
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The Pinetta Volunteer Fire Department and the Pinetta Community Center will host a Community yard sale and barbecue dinner on Saturday, Nov. 2, from 8 a.m.-until.

There are plenty of inside and outside spaces available and this is going to be a huge event!

Spaces are free with two tables provided by the Pinetta VFD and Community Center. Girls and guys are urged to get busy cleaning out that stuff they no longer want or need and bring it to the sale and earn some extra spending money for the holidays.

Small businesses are also welcome.

Look for the yellow signs on the day of the sale.

Call or text your reservation to (850) 251-0999.

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Fri 10/4	88/66		Scattered thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 80s and lows in the mid 60s.
Sat 10/5	86/66		Scattered thunderstorms possible.

VIEWPOINTS & OPINIONS

National Security

QUIBBLING



Joe Boyles
Guest Columnist

I attended a school where there was an honor code. For four years, the code that we diligently followed said this: "We will not lie, cheat, or steal, nor tolerate among us those who do."

During my first summer, we received instruction in the code, as well as ethics. One of the subjects that was broached during this training was the matter of quibbling - talking around the truth. We were given many examples of this type of dishonesty and told not to do it. Quibbling might not be as egregious as outright lying, but it is dishonest nonetheless.

Of course, there's a matter of discretion. When the boss's wife asks you what you think of her new hat, it probably isn't a good idea to tell her it looks like she's wearing a lampshade.

I think of those lessons nearly every day when I view the nightly news and see political leaders quibbling on a regular basis. They talk around the truth. They avoid answering simple questions and, instead, provide an answer that puts them in a good light.

I can accept quibbling if it is a matter of national security. We must protect our nation's secrets, however this is not usually the case. More often, a politician will engage in this type of dishonesty because of political expediency, in the vernacular -- CYA.

The darnedest thing is that these congressmen and senators are the same people who appoint nearly all of the young men and women to our nation's service academies where the honor code prevails. In other words, they're responsible for picking those who will uphold an honor code that they themselves would fail ... and do so on a regular basis. It is so hypocritical.

I only know one of them who is a graduate of a service academy - Senator Jack Reed of Rhode Island. He graduated from West Point in 1971, a year after I did from the Air Force Academy. I would like the opportunity to question him on the application of the honor code he lived under to politics and, specifically, how frequently the issue of quibbling is violated. I'll probably never get the chance to ask that question in person, but I do wonder what his

answer would be. Some lies are institutional like the issue of global warming. The data taken from sensors around the earth indicates that the earth hasn't warmed since 1998. In fact, we may be entering a period of "global cooling." But some circles are so invested in the theory of global warming that they persist with a theory that the facts belie. First, they change the term from global warming to "climate change" (how convenient it is to switch terms) and then hysterically attack those of us who oppose their point of view as deniers when the facts tell anyone with common sense and the ability to reason something else.

The motive for the attack on our consulate in Benghazi, Libya last year is another classic example of a political lie. At the time, America was well into a presidential campaign - the election was only two months away. The Administration willingly lied to the American people, telling us that the attackers were enflamed by a 15 minute video that criticized the Prophet Mohamed and took out their frustrations on our diplomats. They even repeated this lie to the families of the slain. They persisted in this falsehood for three weeks (President Obama mentioned it several times when he addressed the UN in late September) before changing their tune.

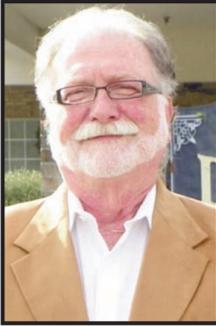
The reason why the political right is so concerned about the issue of voter fraud is a matter of honesty. Their opponents cry voter suppression, but that isn't the motivation at all. We simply believe in the cliché, one (qualified) man, one vote. When we permit non-US citizens to vote or others to vote multiple times, then the election is a fraud and the result a lie.

The media often participates in the lie of their favorite politician or cause. They really never held President Obama accountable for the lie over Benghazi. In fact, one of their own, moderator Candy Crowley, covered for the president during one of three debates by backing his assertion that he had claimed the act was terrorism all along. Recently, during the Washington Navy Yard attack, the media jumped on the incorrect fact that the shooter had used an AR-15. Did you ever hear one of them issue a public retraction when it was revealed that Aaron Alexis used a shotgun? I didn't.

Honesty is an important element in civil society. The Bible repeatedly brings this subject up and differentiates between the honest and dishonest man. We know the right course; it is a matter of honesty and it is the honorable thing to do.

Health & Wellness Tips

Did You Know...



Frank Nathan
Executive Director
Lake Park of Madison

There is a hidden heart disease that's often misdiagnosed, a rare condition called cardiac amyloidosis. It's caused by the accumulation of amyloid plaque in the heart, similar to the substance that clogs the brains of Alzheimer's patients.

Amyloidosis in the heart is a rare condition affecting an estimated 10,000 Americans. But the true prevalence could be far higher because it is often mistaken for garden-variety heart failure with no known cause.

It's potentially a far more common disorder than it appears to be, especially in African-Americans, who have a four percent likelihood of carrying a genetic mutation for the condition. Other hereditary mutations have been found in those from Finland, Israel, and Portugal.

Falk estimates that 10 to 15 percent of African-Americans diagnosed with heart failure have signs of amyloidosis - such as abnormally thick heart walls on an imaging test - and should get a genetic test to see if they have the mutation. The test costs \$1,000 but is usually covered by insurance.

It's a disease that's potentially treatable, but if it's not caught early enough, it will kill you.

One of the patients recently seen at the Mayo Clinic, Maurice Biggs, might have been prevented from facing end-stage heart failure if his doctors in Virginia had considered amyloidosis and performed a genetic test when he showed early signs of heart failure three years ago. The 71-year-old retired Army colonel wasn't diagnosed with hereditary amyloidosis until this past summer during a routine heart biopsy before a planned surgery. It was too late, however, for him to get a liver transplant to

halt production of the amyloid in those with the hereditary form.

Amyloid is a misshapen protein that can accumulate in the heart, causing a thickening of the muscle walls and eventually death from heart failure. The abnormal protein is produced in the liver or the bone marrow, but it's different from beta amyloid, which is involved in Alzheimer's disease and made from a different abnormal protein. Cardiac amyloid "looks like Jell-O under the microscope. It makes the heart stiff and damages its function."

There are three known types of cardiac amyloidosis: senile, which is linked to aging; familial, caused by a hereditary gene mutation; and the worst, light chain, in which amyloid rapidly clogs the liver, kidneys, and nervous system, affecting an estimated 3,000 Americans. About 10 to 15 percent of patients die within three months of diagnosis.

Perhaps one of the biggest reasons cardiologists aren't eager to investigate amyloidosis as a cause for heart failure is because it has few effective treatments beyond a heart or liver transplant - or a stem cell transplant in cases of the light chain type.

There's currently a race on among pharmaceutical companies to be the first out there with a novel drug for amyloidosis.

Such companies may include Cambridge-based Alnylam Pharmaceuticals, which is currently testing a treatment that targets the gene mutation involved in hereditary amyloidosis to prevent the abnormal protein from forming in the liver.

Researchers from Boston University Medical Center have been testing a non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug called diflunisal to see whether it can alleviate nerve problems associated with hereditary amyloidosis. They plan on publishing their results in the next few months.

Another promising drug made by Pfizer, called tafamidis, got the thumbs-down from the US Food and Drug Administration last year; the agency asked for more clinical trials to determine whether the drug could effectively halt the paralysis that often makes hereditary amyloidosis, a horrible way to go.

Searching For Ambrosia

Milestone Birthday Musings



Rose Klein
Columnist

Okay readers, put your books under your desk, we're having a pop quiz. What does the number of stars on the U.S. flag, the atomic number of tin and my birthday this past weekend all have in common? If you guessed that they all represent the number 50, you're correct. It's hard for me to believe half a century has passed and even harder for me to believe that instead of feeling sad, doomed or old, I feel like I finally have "my whole life ahead of me." I've been reading up on "turning 50" and it seems I'm not unique in having this mindset after accomplishing this milestone birthday. Today, I won't bore you with my life discoveries and philosophical thoughts, those are for each of us to figure out on our individual journeys, but I will share with you the events that made my 50th birthday memorable for me.

I am truly blessed to have family and friends that care so much about me, and my happiness. I'm doubly blessed (and enthusiastically happy) that they are all food junkies, like me. The night before my birthday, my friends and family worked together to present me with a birthday dinner that made me blissful. Not like the word bliss you hear in today's marketing, where it's used to describe things such as shampoo or other basic necessities, but like the actual definition you would find in Webster's: "complete happiness; paradise or heaven." (For you babes under 50, you

could find that in Wikipedia or through Google). But, bliss is what I felt when I walked into a house that held all my friends and family and saw all their hard work before me. They had all chosen one authentic French dish to prepare for me and it was all laid out beautifully on a decorated table. Nothing was forgotten. We started with brie in pastry and a special champagne with fruit then moved on to salad, French onion soup, Coq au Vin, baguettes, ratatouille, potatoes and the piece de resistance of French desserts -- Croque-mouches.

The following day, my actual birth date, was a complete contrast and just as wonderful. It was sleeping in, two lazy mugs of coffee while reading all the many birthday wishes offered up by friends and family not able to be with me, a beautiful day with a long walk in the woods accompanied by my dogs, shopping with my husband and then huge bowls filled with hunks of a purchased bakery cake and scoops of ice cream shared with my Mom.

Today, as I write this, my celebration hasn't ended. Returning from lunch, I was walking to my desk and looked over to see all my new co-workers and friends with balloons (black, but I won't hold that against them), a great card signed by everybody and a plate of homemade brownies (made by Emerald, who says she doesn't bake, but that's not true!)

One thing that keeps returning to me over and over on my 50th birthday is the joy and love of the people around me and how they all have contributed in some way to make my life as blessed as it is. Life may not always be easy, and it certainly doesn't always feel like a celebration, but I do know that having people in my life makes it worthwhile.

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AROUND MADISON COUNTY

Obituaries

H.W. "Bubba" Asbell

H.W. "Bubba" Asbell, 89, of Orange Park, passed away on Tuesday, September 17, 2013. He was born on April 29, 1924, to Barney and Bessie Asbell in Chiefland, just a few miles from the famous Suwannee River.

He graduated from Chiefland High School in 1942 in a class of 24 members and soon after was drafted to serve in the United States Army in World War II. He served in the infantry, medical corps and the military police, with his foreign service in the Philippines. Bubba was a company clerk in an MP company with the rank of sergeant.

Following his military service, he took advantage of the GI bill, which allowed him to attend Stetson University in Deland, graduating in 1949. The month he graduated, he was interviewed in a Madison County pea patch during a rainy, hot and steaming August afternoon for a teaching position at Madison High School. He accepted the position as teacher of social science for grades nine through 12.

On his first day on the job, he met Helen Campbell and it was love at first sight. Helen and Bubba were married on June 15, 1960 in the First Presbyterian Church in DeFuniak Springs. Bubba had been raised as a Baptist, but became a Presbyterian at the request of his soon-to-be wife.

After three years in Madison, Helen and Bubba moved on to teaching at Marianna High School in the Florida Panhandle. He began taking night classes and attending summer school at Florida State University, where he earned an M.S. degree in School Administration and Supervision in the summer of 1956. During the 1956-57 school year, Bubba was assistant principal/teacher at Sneads High School and then he and Helen moved to Naples where Bubba became the principal at Naples High School in the fall of 1957. In 1960, Naples High was moved to a brand new facility, but days before the new school was to open, Hurricane Donna roared through Naples tearing the roofs off of every building and delaying the move for a year.

In June 1962, Bubba became the Dean of Admissions and registrar at Lake-Sumter Community College in Leesburg. He retired from Lake-Sumter after 19 years of service on May 17, 1981. Bubba went back to the classroom after retiring as an administrator, first at Leesburg Middle School and then at Harry Anna Hospital School in nearby Umatilla. He and Helen both retired for good in 1986.

In 1990, Bubba and Helen moved to Tallahassee, so that they could attend FSU football games and happened to be there for the best decade of football that FSU ever had. Bubba had three major projects during his retirement years. The first, experimental cooking, resulted in a self-produced cookbook in 1992. Most of Bubba's kitchen creations included some form of alcoholic beverage and continue to be the highlight of family dinners. His second project was hybridizing daylilies, which he had dabbled with in Leesburg, but really focused on after moving to Tallahassee. This project resulted in the naming and registering some 90-plus hybrids with the American Hemerocalis Society.

In order to be closer to family, Bubba and Helen moved to Orange Park in 2002. Unfortunately, their time together would be short as Helen passed away on April 17, 2003. Bubba's third retirement project was poetry. He composed poems on topics ranging from Hurricane Donna to the greatest generation of which he was a part. He used his poems in his annual Christmas cards, along with photographs of some of his daylilies. Eventually, he compiled a book of his favorite poems, which he shared with family and friends.

Bubba moved to Allegro, a senior living community, in May 2012, where he was proud to be the only "Bubba." He had a positive impact on many who lived and worked there and is remembered for always having a smile and kind word for anyone he met. His hearing loss in later years resulted in the loss of his "indoor voice" in public situations, much to the delight of his great-grandchildren. He will always be remembered for his love of education (equally happy as both student and teacher), his enthusiasm as an FSU alumnus and fan and his pride in his family.

He is survived by his three children, Bob Lewis and his wife, Carole, of Orange Park, Lea Asbell-Swanger and her husband, Terry, of State College, Pa., and Kimberly Scherff and her husband, John, of Athens, Ala.; two grandchildren, Kellie Phillips and her husband, Joel, and Cathy Wilson and her husband, Dennis; and five great-grandchildren, Colten Phillips, Rae Phillips, Zane Phillips, Casey Willis and Gabriel Wilson.

In addition to his parents and his wife, Bubba was pre-deceased by his sister, Dorothy Hunt. Services and interment were held at Jacksonville Memorial Gardens in Orange Park on September 20, 2013.

Royce Tuten

Royce Tuten, age 79, died Sunday, September 29, 2013, at South Georgia Medical Center in Valdosta, Ga.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, October 2, 2013, at 2 p.m. at Beggs Funeral Home with burial at San Pedro Cemetery. Visitation was held Tuesday, from 6-8 p.m. at Beggs Funeral Home.

He was born in Madison County and worked as a maintenance supervisor for 38 years at Owens Illinois Paper Mill. He loved to fish, garden and do yard work, and was very family oriented. He was a deacon and a member of Madison Lodge #11, Mason and served in the US Marines. He was a member of New Home Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife of 61 years, Betty Tuten of Madison; one son: Roy Allen Tuten (Caron) of Vienna, Ga.; two daughters, Cheryl Pinkard (Joe) of Valdosta, Ga., and Wanda Gail Adams (Paul) of Madison; three brothers, Steve Tuten and Douglas Tuten, both of Madison; Clyde Tuten of Perry; one sister, Barbara Roberts of Madison; six grandchildren: Richard Tuten, Jennifer Carter, Kevin Tuten, Christina Okuma, Jason Adams, and Matthew Adams; and 12 great-grandchildren.

Beggs Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements 850-973-2258.

You may send your condolences to the family by visiting our website www.beggsfuneral.com.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

{October 4-6}
Genesis Missionary Baptist Church will be hosting Haiti Missionaries Oct 4-6.

{October 5}
Rocky Springs United Methodist Church will host a yard sale on Saturday, Oct. 5, from 7 a.m.-1 p.m. There will be glassware, pots and pans, kitchen items, tools, antiques and other good junk for sale. There will also be sausage biscuits for sale, so you can shop and enjoy breakfast at the same time. Rocky Springs UMC is located at 325 Rocky Springs Road, just off Highway 53 North.

{October 5}
The Madison County Boys' Choir and Inspire will celebrate "Praise in the Park" on Saturday, Oct. 5. There will be a \$5 fish sandwich for sale during the event, which is scheduled from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. There will also be a cake auction during the event. The event will be held in the Four Freedoms Park in Madison. For more information, please call Daniel Graham (407) 405-2540.

{October 9}
Fields of Faith, Wednesday, Oct. 9, at 7 p.m. at Boot Hill, located on the campus of Madison County High School. Everyone is welcome to come hear testimonies, music and receive blessings from the Lord.

{October 12}
The Madison County High School class of 1983 is planning their 30-year reunion for Saturday night, Oct. 12.

Everyone is encouraged to meet at the Madison Country Club for hors d'oeuvres and dancing at 7 p.m. The cost for the reunion is \$25 per person. Please mail your checks to: MCHS Class of 1983, c/o Sheri Ragans, P.O. Box 131, Madison, FL 32341. If anyone is interested in playing golf that Saturday morning, please contact Sheri at (850) 973-2008 for Tee Time, or for other information.

{October 17}
The Rotary Prime Rib Dinner fundraiser will take place at Villa Maria Hall from 5-7 p.m. Come in, sit down and eat or get take out. Tickets are \$25 each; see any Rotary member to purchase. This year, the Rotary will also hold the Rifle Raffle Drawing during the Prime Rib Dinner. Raffle tickets are \$2, available from any Rotary member; buy as many chances as you wish.

{October 20}
Midway Church of God will hold its homecoming service beginning at 10 a.m. Bishop Ivester, the state overseer for the Church of God, will be the guest speaker and LifeSong will be the musical guests. Dinner on the grounds will follow morning worship and there will be special afternoon music. Everyone is invited to attend.

{October 23}
The Healing Help For Seniors Health Fair is coming to the Greenville Senior Center at 166 SW Onslow St from 10 a.m.-2 p.m., with

booths, informative presentations, free lunch and door prizes for attendees. For questions or more information, contact OAA Coordinator Angie Cisco at (850) 973-4241.

{November 1}
Members of the Madison High School Class of 1973 are planning a class reunion to be held December 27-29, 2013. Dec. 27, meet and greet; Dec. 28, dinner and a dance; Dec. 29, worship brunch. Reunion activities are \$60 for the weekend or \$25 for the dinner and dance. 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. To register, or for more information, please contact: Mary Frances Mauldin, mauldinm73@gmail.com; Sharon James Postell, goldenlife59@gmail.com, (850) 973-6200; Renetta Warren Parrish, renetta.parrish@yahoo.com, (850) 464-0610; or Fagarie Wormack, fwormack@yahoo.com. Please make checks or money orders payable to: Madison County High School Class of 1973 and mail to: Renetta Warren Parrish, 423 SW Alderene Parkway, Madison, FL 32340, Demetria Moore Phillips, 146 S Brookwood Ave Madison, Florida 32340 or Sharon James Postell, 111 SW Smith Street, Madison, Florida 32340.



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Woman's Club Installs New Officers



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The long table at the back of the room quickly filled up with donated school supplies as club members arrived for their September meeting.



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Donna Peacock (left) installs the final new officer, Ethel Barefoot (right) as President.



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Outgoing president Margaret Ann Bunch conducts the first part of the meeting preceding the installation of new officers. On the table to the right are tee shirts displaying the "Take Stock In Children" logo, in accordance with the education theme of the September meeting.



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Four of the new Woman's Club officers are: (left to right) Margaret Ann Bunch (parliamentarian, second vice president), Ethel Barefoot (president), Kay Browning (correspondence secretary) and Terry Fall (treasurer). Not pictured: Glenda Gordon (recording secretary) and Jackie Johnson (third vice president).

By Lynette Norris
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When the Woman's Club of Madison comes back after summer vacation, schools are just getting back in session as well, which is why, as Florida Smith said, "We set our minds and hearts on education in our county." She read aloud from several passages of scripture concerning education, including the well known 2 Timothy 2:15, "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of

truth." She also read several short witticisms from a book about children and learning, including the fact that first graders are the only ones who think it's neat when their teeth fall out, always call on a five-year old grandchild to program your VCR, and never, ever tell a child his dreams are silly or outlandish. A long table in the back of the building was filled with school supplies the members had brought in to donate to local school children.

At that first meeting the club also installed its new

officers, with guest Donna Peacock, Woman's Club Director for District III, doing the honors. Peacock, who admitted afterward that she "likes to have fun with installations," presented each new officer with the traditional yellow rose as well as an apple. The obvious symbolism was for the club's focus on education, but each different variety of apple also represented different qualities each officer needed to fulfill her job, whether tart, sweet, firm or spicy.

The new officers installed for the Madison Woman's

Club are:
Treasurer - Terry Fall
Kay Browning - Correspondence Secretary
Glenda Gordon - Recording Secretary
Margaret Ann Bunch - Second Vice President and Parliamentarian
Jackie Johnson - Third Vice President
Ethel Barefoot - President
B.J. Curtis, a retired educator, spoke to the group about "Take Stock In Children," an organization that since 1995 has focused on at-risk children in the middle-school grades on through high school

and college. With caring mentors, scholarships and other student services, TSIC, a model of private/public fundraising, has been helping children break the cycle of poverty through education, reducing the number of high school dropouts and increasing the number of college graduates. In Madison, nearly 100 students have graduated and gone on to college on two-year or four-year TCIS scholarships, 16 of them in this year alone. One former TSIC scholar is now teaching at Madison County Central

School, and volunteering as a TSIC mentor. The club members also heard an update from the STEM-focused James Madison Preparatory High School, the new public charter high school that opened its doors to its first class of ninth graders this year, after months of volunteer work from numerous parents, grandparents, clubs and organizations helped get the old Madison Excel School Building ready for use again. Since the charter school is a public school, the students are allowed to participate in sports activities at the Madison County High School, so there are JMPHS students involved in soccer, football, volleyball and golf. Parents and grandparents have also donated things like table tennis setups to JMPHS that the student can use to work off extra energy when they have a break. Right now, JMPHS has forty ninth graders in two classes taught by Laurie Stalling Sellars and Allen Androskie; the school will be adding another grade each year and doing fundraisers to get the necessary additional classroom space ready. The first class of students is expected to graduate from JMPHS in 2017.

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AROUND MADISON COUNTY

55 Plus: Sheriff Ben Stewart Speaks On The Right To Bear Arms



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Capt. Mark Joost of the MCSO addressed the audience about the "conceal-and-carry" classes he has been teaching for the last two years.

By Lynette Norris
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Adopted Dec. 17, 1791, the Second Amendment to the Constitution is very short and brief: "A well regulated militia being necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed."

Its exact meaning is still under contention, Sheriff Ben Stewart told the audience at the 55 Plus Club's September meeting. It is challenged year after year. It is essentially national law, but for the last few years, it has basically been left up to the states for interpretation. Florida's many interpretations over the last few years have resulted in a one-inch-thick volume of firearm-related state statutes.

Stewart's interpretation is a bit more succinct: "We have a right to keep and bear arms."

Law-abiding citizens have a right to defend themselves when threatened by criminals, he told the audience, because some criminals are, quite simply, thugs. They don't play fair. They don't play by the rules. They cannot be reasoned with.

"Some people," said Stewart, "are just mean as hell."

To illustrate his point, he tells of one instance where a crazed individual armed with a brick was breaking out the windows at the local health department; the incident took place less

than a year after another man had been beaten to death with a stick in broad daylight right in the health department parking lot, so the employees inside the building were terrified.

It took 12 deputies to subdue the brick-wielding perp, after he was tasered at least three times. If the man had chosen to attack a lone, unarmed individual, that person would not have stood a chance.

These are the kind of predators who would not give an elderly citizen an even chance in a fight. They fear nothing...except another person with a gun.

"I strongly encourage you to have a weapon," said Stewart.

He is serious about protecting the firearms rights of law-abiding citizens, so much so that he joined with the sheriffs in Florida's other 66 counties in signing a resolution stating that they would resign from their office rather than be forced by new gun regulations to take firearms away from people. He made it clear that he was speaking of law-abiding citizens, not criminals, thugs, or "somebody being stupid and running drugs."

When it comes to the mountain of Florida Statutes regulating firearms, Stewart chose to focus on one or two that were most relevant to the people in the audience.

When it comes to the right of self-defense, one of the biggest changes to come along is known as the "Stand-Your-Ground" law. Before this change, a person who was confronted by a criminal had a duty to retreat, or at least try to retreat. The "Stand-Your-Ground" law changed all that. There is now no duty to back away and run; a person so accosted has the right to stay put and defend himself or herself, but as in all things, some common sense applies. For example, if a six-foot-five, 300-pound man is accosted by a skinny little guy wielding a stick, the big guy doesn't have the right to shoot the little guy. There has to be a reasonable fear of death or great bodily harm on the part of the intended victim. On the other hand, a small, elderly lady who is threatened by a 300-pound man has no other way to protect herself except with a firearm.

Another law, known as the "Castle Doctrine," gives people the right to defend their homes. Once again, there must be the fear of bodily harm. If someone is trespassing in your yard, you can't shoot him. However, if that person is breaking into your home at 3 a.m., you can.

The "Castle Doctrine" also extends to your vehicle, which is seen as an extension of your home. If someone is trying to get at you in your car, and there is reasonable fear of bodily harm, you have the right to shoot. Because the Castle Doctrine extends to your car, employers are not allowed to forbid you to have a gun in your car while it is parked in their parking lot during working hours. The Castle Doctrine takes precedence.

But, who can have a gun in their vehicle, and when do they need a permit?

Anyone who is a citizen and is at least 18 years old may have a gun in the car. If, for example, it is holstered and stored in the glove compartment or under the passenger seat (according to what is known as the "two step rule," meaning that it would take at least two steps to get to the gun), then no permit is necessary. If the person wants to carry the gun in a pocket or purse, then he or she will



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Madison County Sheriff Ben Stewart speaks to the members of the 55 Plus Club about the right to bear arms and the right people have under Florida law to defend themselves against predators.

need to get a "conceal-and-carry" permit.

Capt. Mark Joost of the MCSO also spoke for a few minutes about the "conceal-and-carry" classes he has been teaching for two years, helping everyone from old men in motorized wheelchairs to young people.

"To me, that is our 'well-armed militia' he said. "I want to help law-abiding citizens feel empowered to defend themselves from the kind of predators that walk among us. They rub elbows with us at the Winn-Dixie. They are the kind of predators who used to be institutionalized...they are mentally troubled. They are the man who will beat somebody to death with a stick in broad daylight in front of the health department."

One of the things he teaches at these classes is "stress inoculation," where people learn to deal with stress factors on the firing range and in various other circumstances. They learn how to deal with shooting in the dark, where 64 percent of all shootings take place. They learn how to deal with weapon malfunctions.

The more they're exposed to these stress factors, the better they will be able to handle them.

They also practice drawing their weapon from wherever they will customarily carry it, whether it is from a purse or a pocket. There is a charge for these classes, but no one will be turned away if they cannot afford to pay. Joost also urged continued practice on the firing range.

"Be realistic," he said. "Don't underestimate the dynamics of confrontations." Even law enforcement officers go through days and days of continual training with firearms each year.

He conceded that carrying a firearm was not a decision that most people made lightly, and that each person, before making the decision to pick up a weapon, would also have to make the decision that he was prepared to use it if necessary. But people do have that right, and they must decide for themselves whether or not they'll use deadly force, and at what point.

"As an elderly person, you have the right to use a deadly weapon," said Stewart. "That may not be the choice you want to make, but you do have that right."

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Celebrate "Praise In The Park" On Saturday

By Jacob Bembry
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The Madison County Boys' Choir and Inspire will celebrate "Praise in the Park" on Saturday,

Oct. 5.

There will be a \$5 fish sandwich for sale during the event, which is scheduled from 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

There will also be a cake auction during

the event.

The event will be held in the Four Freedoms Park in Madison.

For more information, please call Daniel Graham (407) 405-2540.

Rotary Prime Rib Dinner Is Coming Up

By Lynette Norris
Greene Publishing, Inc.

It's almost Halloween too, but it's also time for another Madison tradition, the Rotary Club Prime Rib Dinner.

It's at Villa Maria Hall Again, and this year, it's Thursday, Oct. 17, from 5-7 p.m. Tickets are \$25 each and are available from any Rotary Club Member.

Everyone knows by now what excellent prime rib chefs Madison Rotarians are, so get your tickets and enjoy a dine-in or take-out prime rib experience.



This year, as an added treat, the Rotary Rifle Raffle Drawing will take place during the Prime Rib Dinner. Raffle tickets are only \$2 each, also available from any Rotarian, and you can buy as many

chances as you wish. Mark the date on your calendar...it's sooner than you think!

AROUND MADISON COUNTY

Night Golf Tournament This Friday

It is sometimes referred to as "the most fun you can have with a club in your hand." Not to be confused with "serious" golf, night golf is fun, challenging and a great opportunity to experience a whole new "light" in golfing. Madison Country Club will this Friday be the location for the inaugural night golf tournament hosted by the

Kiwanis Club of Madison. "Fight the Night for Kids" is open to all golfers, young and old, men or women, regardless of skill level. Profits from the event will be dedicated to the support of Kiwanis' efforts on behalf of children.

Action begins with registration at Madison Country Club at 5 p.m., Friday, Oct. 4.

The course itself will be "outlined" with glow sticks marking the fairways, hazards, greens and holes. Entry in the event also gets each player his or

her own complementary LED glow ball, an extraordinary device that glows brightly when struck with a golf club. Additional balls will be available for purchase.

Food will be available for purchase through Shelby's catering, so come hungry. Refreshing libations will be available in the MCC 19th Hole Lounge.

Entry fee for the event is just \$50 per golfer, which includes glow ball and cart. Sponsorships are available. For information, please call Madison Country Club at (850) 973-6701, or just show up Friday afternoon ready to play. Tee off is expected just before dusk, around 6 p.m. Nine holes of golf will be played.

Karen Sue FerDon Honored For 10 Years Service



Photo Submitted

Karen Sue FerDon, happy to be at Advent Christian for the past 10 years.

By Rose Klein
Greene Publishing, Inc.

Advent Christian Village (ACV) recently honored Karen Sue FerDon of Pinetta for her 10 years of service as an employee. FerDon works in the Personnel/Human Resources Department and this makes her second time being honored by ACV. Employees who attain yearly anniversaries are honored in increments of five years with recognition given twice a year. When FerDon's husband Lee referred to her recent recognition, he said, "having spent much of her life following this United Methodist pastor from appointment to appointment, this is a real milestone for her."

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Main Street Realty, Where Hometown Service Resides With Modern Technology



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Jessica Webb, Broker and CEO of Main Street Realty, invites people to come by and visit Main Street's newly-opened office, "Where Hometown Service Resides With Modern Technology."

By Lynette Norris
Greene Publishing, Inc.

On the front door, a flowered wreath welcomes visitors to A Main Street Realty Co., LLC and invites them inside, where the wooden showcase along one wall holds a leaf-green sign that declares, "Life is Good." Jessica Webb, broker and owner of A Main Street Realty Co., has been in the real estate for over three years, and opened A Main Street Realty Co. about three weeks ago. Before that, she was an educator for many years, and much of what she learned as an educator, she brings to the table as a real estate broker.

In fact, the two fields have a lot in common. As a real estate broker, she gives people the information they need to buy or sell a home, helps

them determine the market value of their home if they're trying to sell, and guides them through the process of decision-making of buying and selling. One of the things she enjoys most about the work is seeing the look on customers' faces when they buy their first house, when they realize that now, they finally own a home. It is a particularly exciting time to be in the real estate business and see people realize their dream as the economy begins to turn around.

"I like helping people and I like helping them achieve their goals," she says. "It's a people-oriented business, and I enjoy the opportunity." A longtime resident of Madison, she first arrived 39 years ago; she met and married her husband, Madison native Johnny Webb, 37 years ago, so the connection she feels to Madison, its history, its charm and its people, runs deep. When she went into real estate, it was with the idea that someday, she would go out on her own and form her own company, and whenever she looked at all those historic buildings in downtown Madison, she believed that one of them would be a perfect office. The concept of A Main Street Realty Co., LLC formed as a way of tying in the history of Madison with actually being in a building with lots of history attached to it – a hometown business that would bring hometown service to customers, aided by technology to bring them the very best. That concept is what Main Street's motto, "Where Hometown Service Resides With Modern Technology," reflects.

It is a goal of hers that has been unfolding over the years, and when the building space at 186 SW Range Avenue became available, the location and the timing were just perfect.

Currently, she works with her son, Justin, and there are other family members who may want to join her in the future. She would like to grow a real estate team someday, and looks forward to talking to anyone who might be interested, to tell them about the career and what it's like.

"I guess that's the educator in me. I love the idea of mentoring somebody in the business."

With goals of putting customers first, giving them the best customer service possible, and being ethical and honest in everything, she encourages people to come by and visit. If they're thinking of selling, she can offer a free market analysis to provide information on what their home is worth in today's market.

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SCHOOL

REP. BESHEARS MEETS WITH MADISON HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS



As the first committee week swings into action, students from Madison County High School and James Madison Preparatory High School took the opportunity to visit the Capitol and blend into and participate in the legislative process.

The students held a mock session in the Senate chamber where they debated the texting and driving issue. Rep. Halsey Beshears (R-Monticello) greeted the students and spoke about the importance of the process and how it affects their daily lives.

The students then sat in the education committee and listened as presentations were made related to information technology by Randy Hanna, Chancellor of the Florida College System. As it is very early in the legislative process, house and

senate bills are still being filed and have not been assigned to committees for debate.

Rep. Beshears said, "We are honored that these students have taken a day to visit with us at the Capitol and participate in the process. We appreciate that they are eager to become more informed about issues that affect each of them now and as future leaders of our state".

Supervisor of Elections Tommy Hardee accompanied the group today and said, "I could not think of a better way to spend National Voter Registration Day than at the Capitol with 70 plus students. I would like to thank Representative Beshears and Senator Montford for making this opportunity possible".

A tour of the new and old Capitol buildings completed the visit.



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Madison Academy Announces First Six Weeks Honor Roll

With the first six weeks of school completed, Madison Academy has released its first list of honor roll students and exemplary citizens.

"A" Honor Roll
Fourth Grade: Keillor Davis, Riley Smith

Fifth Grade: Will Carpenter, Abigail Reeves, Emery Wilkerson

Sixth Grade: Jake Driggers, Kayla Reeves

Seventh Grade: Brandon Bunch, Aubrey Day, Dilan Lawson, Claire Maultsby, Cody Smith

Eighth Grade: Luke Androski, Caden Newman, Mary Hannah Smith, Hannah Zimmerly

"A/B" Honor Roll
Fourth Grade: Merridy Archambault, Trinity Bush, Olivia

Galbraith, Carter Gore, Ben Melvin, Mitch Rutherford, Rhett Rutherford, Lance Thigpen, Zachary Townsend

Fifth Grade: Brady Browning, Savannah Curtis, Catherine Maultsby, Emily Parker, Andrew Pennington, Blaydon Plain, Tyler Platt, Abbey Sanderson, Ben Whigham, Scotty Wynn

Sixth Grade: Shawn Allen Baltzell, Ashley Cantey, Wyatt Crosby, Payton Davis, Jadyn Gore, Mikenzi Plain, Jayce Scott, Bryce Vullo

Seventh Grade: Brad Bunch, Isaac Gonzales, Caroline Jennings, Jarod Johnson, Justice Renfroe, Dawson Rutherford, Reese Rutherford, Roderrick Shaw, Caleb Watts

Eighth Grade:

Kylie Andrews, Charlie Blanton, Caleb Hart, Kaylie Rogers, Katelyn Scott

Exemplary Citizens:
First Grade: Kiley Malone, Gracelyn New-some

Second Grade: Claire Carpenter, Scott Williams

Third Grade: Riley Browning, Caroline Wynn

Fourth Grade: Trinity Bush, Carter Gore

Fifth Grade: Savannah Curtis, Kersten Malone

Sixth Grade: Mary Kate Brooks, Jake Driggers

Seventh Grade: Justice Renfroe, Reese Rutherford

Eighth Grade: Michael Downing, Mary Hannah Smith

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SPORTS

Cowboys Beat Pace

By Jacob Bemby
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The Madison County High School Cowboys clung to a 27-8 halftime lead over the Pace Patriots on Friday, Sept. 27, at Boot Hill in Madison to pick up their third win of the year in varsity gridiron action.

Pace refused to quit as the one win Patriots were led by running back Quaide Weimerskirch, who carried the ball 37 times for 151 yards and two touchdowns.

Pace's other touchdown came on a 29-yard touchdown pass from Patriots' quarter-

back Daniel Smyers to Jacob Sherrard.

Eric Bright rushed six times for 59 yards.

Quarterback Akevious Williams rushed twice for one yard and a touchdown. He also passed 19 times, completing eight passes for 177 yards and a touchdown.

Deontaye Oliver rushed eight times for 34 yards.

James Monlyn carried the ball five times for 22 yards.

Jay West ran the ball four times for 43 yards.

Coddrick Griffin caught two passes for 49 yards and a touchdown.

Ladarius Robinson caught one pass for four yards.

Deontaye Oliver caught two passes for 72 yards.

Javon Redding caught one pass for 25 yards.

Jay West caught two passes for 27 yards.

Cowboys' kicker Zach Money also had a great game for the Cowboys.

The final score was 27-20.

The varsity Cowboys travel to Perry to play the Taylor County High Bulldogs on Friday, Oct. 4. Kickoff is set for 7:30 p.m.

Go, Cowboys!

MCCS Volleyball Lady Broncos



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The MCCS Lady Broncos volleyball team is pictured. Top row, from left to right: Kristal Joseph, Ken'Neatha Newsome, Ke'mya Alexander, Jakayla West, Macie Sweat and Desirea Alexander.

Middle row, from left to right: Jalarricka Mobley (manager), India Cobb, Haily Crosby, Lillie Singletary, Aracely Blesy and Katie Walker.

Bottom Row, from left to right: Tyhesha Judge-Fogle (coach), McKenzie Miller, Hannah Cooper, Haily Diehl, Mayline Bezanilla (manager), Kelley Crosby and Shaneika Pride (coach).

Cowboys Rack Up Yards On Offense

By Jacob Bemby
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The Madison County High School Cowboys' offense has racked up 1,332 yards on the season.

Eric Bright, who has grounded out 561 yards on 89 carries, leads the running backs. Bright has three touchdowns on the season.

Deontaye Oliver has rushed 37 times and picked up 134 yards.

Akevious Williams has rushed 35 times for 83 yards and one touch-

down.

Jamond Bruton has rushed 16 times for 98 yards.

James Monlyn has rushed 14 times for 101 yards.

Kenny McQuay has rushed once for 43 yards.

Quarterback Akevious Williams has passed the ball 54 times and completed 22 passes for 312 yards and five touchdowns and one interception.

Deontaye Oliver has eight receptions on the year for 119 yards and two touchdowns.

Ladarius Robinson

has caught three passes for 62 yards and one touchdown.

Javon Redding has caught three passes for 36 yards and one touchdown.

Eric Bright has caught three passes for 20 yards.

Coddrick Griffin has snared two passes for 21 yards.

Cody Lange has one reception for 28 yards.

Jaquez Arnold has one reception for 21 yards and a touchdown.

Jamond Bruton has one reception for five yards.

ACA Cross Country Competes At Alligator Lake

By Fran Hunt
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The Aucilla Christian Academy cross country teams competed in the Alligator Lake meet in Lake City on September 21, and several runners beat their personal records.

Running for the boys, Braden Mattingly passed three runners to finish 13th, with a time of 17:49.

Gatlin Nennstiel passed two runners to finish 15th, with a time of 17:51.

Carson Nennstiel passed one runner to finish 66th, with a time of 19:38.

Taylor Nugent was passed by five runners to finish 93rd, with a time of 20:46.

Nick Arceneaux passed seven runners to finish 99th, with a time of 20:54, setting a personal record.

Zack Arceneaux was passed by three runners to finish 122nd, with a time of 22:11.

Brandon Slaughter finished 128th with a time of 22:27.

Dilyn Stowers passed five runners to finish 133rd, with a time of 22:59, setting a personal record.

Chaz Hamilton passed three runners to finish 139th, with a time of 23:35.

Dawson Bishop was passed by four runners to finish 148th, with a time of 24:42.

Traynor Barker passed six runners to finish 233rd, with a time of 24:47.

Running for the girls, Taylor Copeland was passed by nine runners to finish 35th, with a time of 23:16.

Whitney Stevens passed seven runners to finish 39th, with a time of 23:35, setting as personal record.

Sarah Tharpe passed two runners to finish 49th, with a time of 24:09.

Camryn Grant passed one runner to finish 59th, with a time of 24:41.

Abby Reams was passed by four runners to finish 67th, with a time of 25:12, setting a personal record.

Hanna Searcy passed eight runners to finish 72nd, with a time of 25:39.

Grace Beshears was passed by nine runners to finish 88th, with a time of 26:50.

Kaitlin Lane was passed by eight runners to finish 95th, with a time of 27:30, setting a personal record.

Dena Bishop passed one runner to finish 96th with a time of 28:26.

Cali Burkett passed nine runners to finish 99th, with a time of 29:05.

Brittany Hughes finished 113th with a time of 29:15.

Sarah James passed three runners to finish 106th, with a time of 29:35.

Dalayna Nolen was passed by 15 runners to finish 109th, with a time of 29:52, setting a personal record.

Chloe Reams finished 119th, with a time of 31:28.

Julianna Lindsey passed eight runners to finish 124th, with a time of 32:45.

Katie James was passed by five runners, to finish 132nd, with a time of 34:54.

Sarah Riley passed two runners to finish 140th, with a time of 40:03.

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

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF
 IVAN HOMER WALLACE, JR., a/k/a
 IVAN HOMER WALLACE, a/k/a
 IVAN H. WALLACE, JR., a/k/a
 IVAN H. WALLACE, a/k/a
 I. HOMER WALLACE,
 Deceased.

PROBATE DIVISION
 CASE NO. 2013-88-CF

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the Estate of IVAN HOMER WALLACE, JR., a/k/a IVAN HOMER WALLACE, a/k/a IVAN H. WALLACE, JR., a/k/a IVAN H. WALLACE, a/k/a I. HOMER WALLACE, deceased, whose death was May 16, 2013, is pending in the Circuit Court for Madison County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Madison County Clerk of Court, Probate Division, P. O. Box 237, Madison, Florida 32341. 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 WITHIN 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.

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 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 first publication of this Notice is September 25, 2013.

Attorney for Personal Representative: Personal Representative:
 Scott B. Copeland (FBN 0156681) Myrtle M. Wallace
 Law Office of Scott B. Copeland, P.L. P. O. Box 182
 Post Office Drawer 916 Pinetta, FL 32350
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9/25, 10/2

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 3RD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR MADISON COUNTY, FLORIDA
 GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION
 CASE NO.: 12 254 CA

TD BANK, N.A., a national banking association,
 Plaintiff,
 v.
 SKIERSKI INVESTMENTS, INC., a dissolved Florida corporation, THOMAS J. SKIERSKI, JESSIE L. SKIERSKI, and UNKNOWN TENANTS IN POSSESSION,
 Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated September 25, 2013, entered in Civil Case No. 12 254 CA of the Circuit Court of the 3rd Judicial Circuit in and for Madison County, Florida, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at Madison County Courthouse, 125 SW Range Road, Madison, FL 32340 at 11:00 a.m., on the 30th day of October, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment of Foreclosure, to-wit: SEE ATTACHED

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens, must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.

Dated this 30 day of Sept, 2013.

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 By: *Renata Keeling*
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NOTICE IS GIVEN that the Suwannee River Water Management District intends to sell certain real property (the "Property"). A description of the Property is as follows:

Approximately 114 acres, located in Madison and Jefferson Counties, Florida; to wit:

Madison County, Florida:
 All that part of the NE 1/4 of the NW 1/4 and the W 1/2 of the NE 1/4 lying East and North of the Aucilla River, Section 2, Township 2 South, Range 5 East.

Jefferson County, Florida:
 That part of the NE 1/4 of the NW 1/4 lying West and South of the Aucilla River, Section 2, Township 2 South, Range 5 East.

A complete description and map of the Property may be obtained by contacting the Suwannee River Water Management District at the address and telephone number set out below.

The sale of the Property shall take place not less than 30 days nor more than 45 days after the first publication of this notice.

This notice is given to comply with the publication requirements of Section 373.089, Florida Statutes.

This notice shall be published on the following dates: 10/02/13, 10/09/13, and 10/16/13.

Charlie Houder
 Director, Division of Land Resources
 Suwannee River Water Management District
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 (386) 362-1001

10/2, 10/9, 10/16

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

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.,
 Plaintiff,
 v.
 BARBARA MICHELLE COLVIN, WALTER E. ODOM, JR.; ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST THE HEREIN NAMED INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANTS WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE. WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS, DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT,
 Defendant(s).

CASE NO.: 40-2012-CA-000303

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order of Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated September 17, 2013, entered in Civil Case No. 40-2012-CA-000303 of the Circuit Court of the Third Judicial Circuit in and for Madison County, Florida, wherein the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest bidder for cash on 30 day of October, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. at the Front Door of the Madison County Courthouse, 125 SW Range Avenue, Madison, Florida 32340, in accordance with Chapter 45 Florida Statutes, relative to the following described property as set forth in the Final Judgment, to-wit:

A PORTION OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 4, TOWNSHIP 2 SOUTH, RANGE 5 EAST BEING PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGIN AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 4, THENCE NORTH 09°15'31" WEST ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER A DISTANCE OF 62.89 FEET, THENCE SOUTH 89°56'20" WEST A DISTANCE OF 357.45 FEET TO THE EAST LINE OF THOSE LANDS DESCRIBED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 792, PAGE 259 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF MADISON COUNTY, FLORIDA THENCE NORTH 15°09'57" EAST ALONG SAID EAST LINE A DISTANCE OF 26.08 FEET, THENCE NORTH 09°29'28" EAST ALONG SAID EAST LINE A DISTANCE OF 596.71 FEET TO THE NORTH LINE OF SAID SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER; THENCE NORTH 89°56'20" EAST ALONG SAID NORTH LINE A DISTANCE OF 349.73 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, SAID LAND LYING AND BEING SITUATE IN MADISON COUNTY, FLORIDA TOGETHER WITH MOBILE HOME MODEL SCOT BUILT LEGEND VIN NUMBER SBHGA105803299A/B

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.

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DATED AT MADISON, FLORIDA THIS 18 DAY OF Sept, 2013

Tim Sanders
 By: *Renata Keeling*
 TIM SANDERS
 CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
 MADISON COUNTY, FLORIDA

9/25, 10/2

SCHEDULE "A"

DESCRIPTION:
 A portion of the North Half (N 1/2) of the Southwest Quarter (SW 1/4) of Section 28, Township 1 North, Range 9 East, being more particularly described as follows:

COMMENCE at the northeast corner of the Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4) of the Southwest Quarter (SW 1/4) of said Section 28; thence South 89°20'11" West along the north line of said NE 1/4 of SW 1/4 a distance of 1288.89 feet to the northeast corner of those lands described in O.R. Book 672, page 245 of the public records of Madison County, Florida, said point being the northeast corner and POINT OF BEGINNING of the following described parcel; thence South 02°30'27" East a distance of 478.66 feet to the southwest corner of said O.R. Book 673, page 245; thence North 89°18'10" East along the south line of said O.R. Book 673, page 245 a distance of 168.59 feet; thence South 02°30'27" East along the west line of those lands described in O.R. Book 491, page 107 of the public records of Madison County, Florida, a distance of 478.66 feet to the east line of Blue Hill Subdivision as recorded in Plat Book 1, page "10" of the public records of Madison County, Florida, thence North 89°13'46" East along said right-of-way line a distance of 201.11 feet to the west line of said NE 1/4 of SW 1/4; thence North 02°30'27" West along said west line a distance of 320.19 feet to the north line of said NE 1/4 of SW 1/4; thence North 89°20'11" East along said north line distance of 20.00 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING. Containing 8.83 acres, more or less.

SUBJECT TO A 30 foot utility easement over the west 30 feet of the north 478.66 feet of the Southwest Quarter (NE 1/4) of the Southwest Quarter (SW 1/4) of said Section 28.
 Said lands situate, lying and being in Madison County, Florida.

10/2, 10/9

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that VERA J. HILL, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a Tax Deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property and name in which it is assessed is as follows:

CERTIFICATE NO: 11-991-TD
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 PARCEL ID: 28-1N-09-4939-000-000

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: LOTS FIVE (5) AND SIX (6) OF BLOCK "C", HALSTOY SUBDIVISION TO THE TOWN OF MADISON, FLORIDA

All of said property being in the County of Madison, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to the law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the west front door at the Madison County Courthouse on the 14TH day of October 2013 at 11:00 a.m.

Dated this 23rd day of August 2013.

TIM SANDERS
 CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
 MADISON COUNTY
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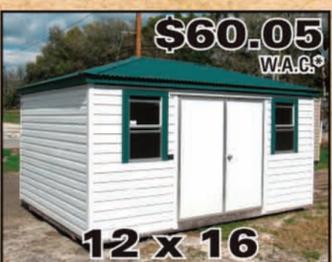
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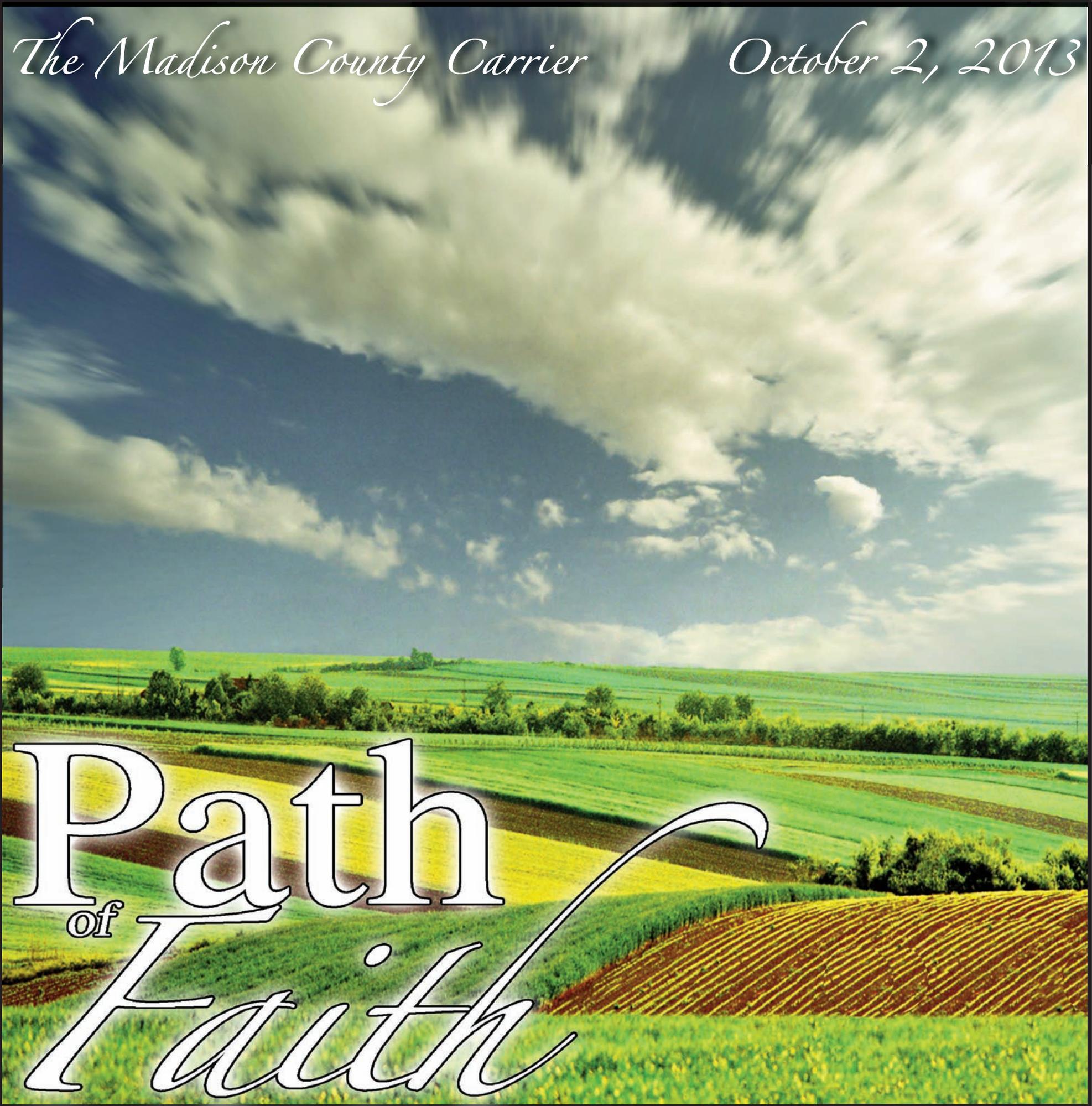
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Madison County Students To Host Fields Of Faith Event



FIELDS OF FAITH

OCTOBER 9, 2013
7:00 p.m.
at Boothill, Madison County High School
All ages welcome!

GET IN THE GAME. GET IN THE BOOK.
Fields of Faith is a peer-to-peer movement where thousands of students from across the nation gather on their school's athletic field to share personal stories and challenge each other to apply the Bible as their "game plan for life." Join the field nearest you!

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Students from Madison County will be joining thousands of other youth on athletic fields all across the nation on Wednesday, Oct. 9, to share their Christian faith with fellow students during the eighth annual national Fields of Faith event. This rapidly-growing, interdenominational outreach event will be held at more than 450 locations

throughout the nation on this same date.

While many Christian rallies are anchored to an entertainer or professional speaker that creates a spectator event, Fields of Faith is structured as a student-to-student ministry. Peers invite their own classmates and teammates to meet on their school's athletic field to hear fellow students share their

testimonies, challenge them to read the Bible and to come to faith in Jesus Christ.

This will be the fourth Fields of Faith event in Madison County at Boothill, starting at 7 p.m. Last year, approximately 1,500 students and supporters attended.

"I love Fields of Faith because it is held in a familiar venue, and it is led by students for stu-

dents!" said Madison County native, FCA North Florida Representative Steve McHargue. "They are the experts on their generation."

The national growth of Fields of Faith has been remarkable. Since the beginning of Fields of Faith in 2004, more than 600,000 students have joined in the movement. In 2012 alone, more than 160,000 students gathered on 424 fields across 37 states to participate in the event.

It's not just those numbers that have FCA organizers excited about Fields of Faith. It's the real-life impact that these gatherings are having on young people. Last year's series of events saw 3,710 students make first-time faith commitments to follow Jesus Christ, 4,809 recommitted their life to Christ and 6,885 committed to reading the Bible daily.

"The impact of Fields of Faith has been incredible in just these past few years," said Les Steckel,

FCA president and former veteran NFL coach. "It's all about young people in these communities coming together on their school's athletic field and challenging each other to go back to the fundamentals of reading God's Word and coming to faith in Jesus Christ."

The impetus for Fields of Faith began with Jeff Martin, an FCA staff person, who conceived the idea from an Old Testament reference in 2 Chronicles 34 after searching how to help today's generation of students face spiritual battles and temptations. In the scripture, King Josiah, an influential teenager very similar to Fields of Faith attendees today, gathered his people and challenged them to read the Bible. As a result, they changed their culture.

In 2004, the Josiah-influenced dream came true when 6,000 students gathered on school athletic fields throughout three states for the first Fields of Faith event. That was

the beginning of what has become one of the most significant faith-related gatherings of students in a single day.

"Fields of Faith challenges this generation to be committed to reading the Bible and living a transformed life for Jesus Christ," said Martin. "It's students challenging students, peers challenging peers and that's the heart and soul of Fields of Faith."

While Fields of Faith has its roots with FCA leadership, the event is designed to include multiple national Christian organizations, local churches and ministries. A local leadership team will determine the program of each Fields of Faith event.

More information about Fields of Faith is available at FieldsofFaith.com. To learn more about the event in Madison County at Boothill on October 9, 2013, at 7:00 p.m., contact Steve McHargue at (850) 464-0325 or smchargue@fca.org.

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Bible Verse Of The Week

Surely goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

—Psalm 23:6

Book Review: Last Light by Terri Blackstock

By Jacob Bemby
Greene Publishing, Inc.

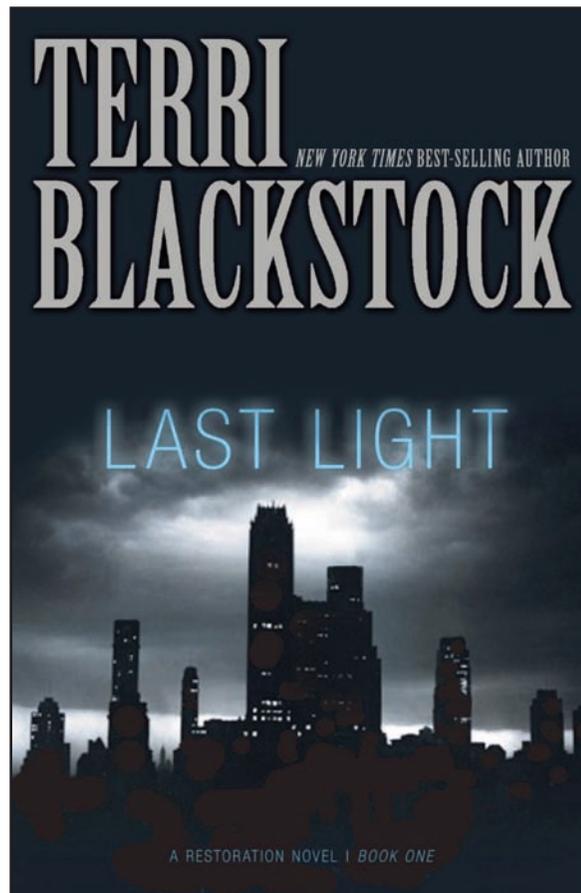
It's a common occurrence in Florida for the lights to flicker off for a while, especially during the hot summer months when air conditioners are running at maximum overdrive or, during the winter, when people craving heat run their central heat at full blast. Usually, it's a minor inconvenience that only lasts a few minutes or a few hours. During hurricane season, it can turn into a few days and maybe even a couple of weeks. Nerves get set on edge as people want their power turned back on and they want it on now.

These are inconveniences, but what would happen if, for some unknown reason, the power went off, and stayed off for good, not only in our hometown, our home state, our home country but all over the world?

That's the question that people have to grapple with in the television series, *Revolution*, as people are driven to wars and try to gain power from other forces. The United States is ripped apart into a number of different republics. The television show, which I love, has kind of a *Hunger Games* meets *Rambo* plot.

It's also a question I found posed in a book written a couple of years before *Revolution* found its way onto primetime television.

The book, *Last Light*, is the first book in *The*



Restoration Series, written by Christian author Terri Blackstock.

Blackstock puts the Branning family in a life or death struggle amid the turbulence and turmoil of a blackout. Airliners crash, cars stop dead in the road, water ceases to flow freely, air conditioning does not work and electricity ceases to work.

The Branning family has to learn to trust God during this time. On top of all their other troubles, at least one of their neighbors is a murderer who has already claimed five victims. One family was murdered for their jewels and another was murdered for the rations they had in stock.

The Brannings' rebellious older daughter, Deni, who has just graduated from Georgetown University, and is engaged to be married in October, is planning her escape to Washington, D.C., to be reunited with her fiancé, despite her family's misgivings about her plans.

Last Light is a book, written for a Christian audience, that anyone can enjoy. It will keep you on the edge of your seat as you develop an attachment to the Branning family. The family works out their family squabbles and discovers that some of their attachments have been to things instead of to God and to each other.

Last Light is available on Amazon.com in paperback and in Kindle formats.



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by RONNIE McBRAYER



Years ago my sister traveled to the Ukraine on a mission trip. She worked among the indigenous Christians on a number of worthy projects, and when her time ran up, she returned home with a heart full of joy, a head full of memories, and bags full of strange and wonderful souvenirs.

Since I'm the only

twin brother my sister has, she brought me a unique gift: A set of Matryoshka Dolls; traditional Russian nesting dolls. When you open the first doll it has a smaller doll on the inside, so on and so forth, until you reach a tiny Weeble Wobble deep within.

My sister traveled well after Russian Perestroika, Polish Solidarity, and the

other movements that unhinged communism in Eastern Europe. The outer doll of my Matryoshka set was, entertainingly, Boris Yeltsin. His likeness had a dopey little smile and ruffled hair as if he had been drinking too much vodka, accurately portrayed I fear.

When Yeltsin was opened, there was Gorbachev with the familiar birthmark on his forehead. Inside Gorbachev was Khrushchev, then Josef Stalin, and finally Vladimir Lenin himself. I now keep all these little Communists boxed in the attic. They are much too dangerous

to be let loose in the world again.

The deeper you went within the dolls, the closer you got to the essence of Soviet power, its source and beginning. As layer after layer fell away, and finally you held a tiny characterization of Lenin in your hand, you could truthfully say, "Ah, now I've gotten to the bottom of it all. This is the seed, the kernel from which all the others grew."

I, and many others, have tried this same thing with Jesus. We have struggled to unravel him, to break open his shell, and then the next, and the next, and the next. Then, we think we can

get to the bottom of who he is and his story. We reconstruct his historical setting. We dissect his words. We set out to determine who he "really was" and is. But there is a problem. When dealing with this Jesus, we do not find ourselves moving to something smaller and more manageable.

No, the deeper we go, and as the layers fall away, we move to something greater. He gets larger, more uncontrollable, more inconceivable, and more wonderful than our minds can imagine. We are the ones left to weeble and wob-

ble.

Yet, there is a seed, a core to the historical Jesus as well as the exalted Christ of our faith. It is the element of sacrifice. There at the end of it all, when the onion is peeled, is a cross. Jesus, for two millennia, has been marked by this instrument of death. More accurately, he has been marked by the cross since before the threads of time were ever spun. He was "slain before the foundations of the world," John the Revelator said.

There is a cross hanging above my desk where these

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Keeping The Faith

Story cont. from 4B

words are being typed. I sometimes wear a crucifix around my neck. I even have a Celtic version of the symbol inked into my skin. And while I behold the cross every day, I cannot take hold of all its implications.

C. S. Lewis challenged us to look at the cross, not as a display of godly anger toward Jesus or the world, but as a Lover absorbing the shame and humiliation of betrayal and unfaith-

fulness. Lewis said, "Jesus shows on the cross that God's love is not about violence and retaliation. The cross is the only true language of forgiveness."

That stick of wood is a display of agonizing love shown to a world lost in self-centeredness and self-delusion, a world that has done nothing but be disloyal to and reject its Maker. That cross shows us how far Love will go: God, humiliated and bleed-

ing in a suffering mess, bearing up underneath the betrayal of His own creation. If you can get to the bottom of that, please let me know. You're a smarter person than most.

Ronnie McBrayer is a syndicated columnist, pastor, and author of multiple books. You can read more and receive regular e-columns in your inbox at www.ronniemcbrayer.me.

Good News Music Festival Set For October 12

By Jacob Bemby
Greene Publishing, Inc.

The Good News Music Festival will be held to benefit the Madison Youth Ranch on Saturday, Oct. 12, at the United Methodist Cooperative Ministries Center.

The music festival will include the following Southern gospel artists:

•Big and Loud

•The Money Sisters
•Trinity Steel Band

•Southern Glory
•Vickie Andrews
•Risa Powell
•Henry Miller
•I Am Sent

•Southern Sound
Vendors will be set up on the grounds of the co-op during the event, which will take place from 10 a.m.-7 p.m.

The cost is \$10

per person, \$15 per couple and children, 12 and under get in free.

The event will be festival seating and you are asked to bring your own lawn chair.

The Cooperative Ministries Center is located at 135 NE Dill Street, off Highway 145 (Valdosta Highway) in the Hanson community.

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Church Calendar

October 4-6

Genesis Missionary Baptist Church will be hosting Haiti Missionaries Oct 4-6.

to pick them up or to purchase them.

October 9

Fields of Faith, Wednesday, Oct. 9, at 7 p.m. at Boot Hill, located on the campus of Madison County High School. Everyone is welcome to come hear testimonies, music and receive blessings from the Lord.

October 12

Good News Music Festival will be held Saturday, Oct. 12, from 10 a.m.-7 p.m. at the United Methodist Cooperative Ministries Center. Admission is \$10 per person, \$15 per couple and children, 12 and under, get in free. There will be food booths and arts and crafts booths also.

October 10

The Knights of Columbus, a male fraternal organization in the Roman Catholic Church, will hold Bingo at the Villa Maria Hall, 258 NW Orange Street (across from the Beggs Funeral Home) on



Thursday, Oct. 10. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Games begin at 7 p.m. Proceeds benefit the Knights of Columbus.

October 20

Midway Church of God will hold its homecoming service beginning at 10 a.m. Bishop Keith Ivester, the state overseer for the Church of God, will be the guest speaker and LifeSong will be the musical

guests. Dinner on the grounds will follow morning worship and there will be special afternoon music. Everyone is invited to attend.

October 11

The youth at the First Baptist Church in Madison will hold a Pumpkin Patch fundraiser. Those who are interested in buying may call the church at (850) 973-2547 to reserve their pumpkin. The church is planning on ordering extra pumpkins so you can either stop by on Friday, Oct. 11, from 4-7 p.m., or on Saturday, Oct. 12, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

October 24

The Knights of Columbus, a male fraternal organization in the Roman Catholic Church, will hold Bingo at the Villa Maria Hall, 258 NW Orange Street (across from the Beggs Funeral Home) on Thursday, Oct. 24. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Games begin at 7 p.m. Proceeds benefit the Knights of Columbus.

Youth Holding Pumpkin Patch Fundraiser

By Jacob Bemby
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Get your pumpkins early for all of your autumn decorating needs and maybe those jack-o-lanterns for the Halloween holidays. Perhaps, you want a pumpkin, just to make a delicious pumpkin

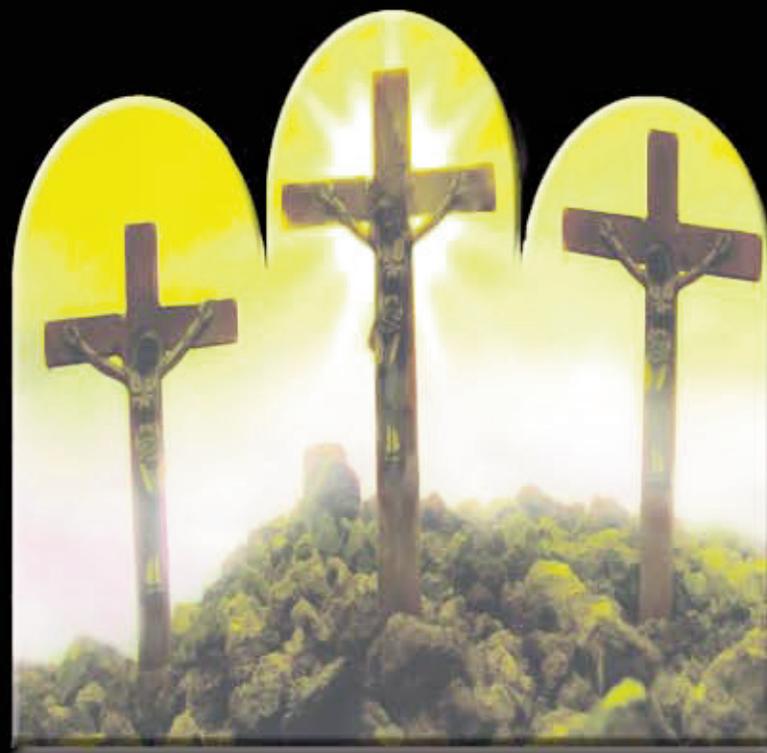
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The youth at the First Baptist Church in Madison is selling pumpkins. To purchase, call the church office at (850) 973-2547 to reserve a pumpkin, which will be available for pickup on Friday, Oct. 11, from 4-7 p.m., and on Saturday, Oct.

12, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

There have also been extra pumpkins ordered for anyone who want to buy one on either day.

The First Baptist Church is located at 134 SW Meeting Street, right off Base Street (Highway 90) in Madison.



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Evening Worship.....7:30 p.m.

Wednesday

Prayer Meeting7:30 p.m.

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Meet Bishop Daryl Glen Williams



I am Bishop Daryl Glen Williams. I was raised in a close-knit family by two godly parents.

My siblings are Church of God members, with the exception, one brother, who is deceased.

I came from a family of seven children (five boys and two girls). We were raised in the old gospel way.

I was saved at the age of 12, in a revival at the Clearwater Church of God on the corner of Grand Central and Myrtle Ave. At the age of 16, I saw a vision of Jesus standing in the clouds, pointing two fingers at me telling me to feed his sheep. This was at a PFC meeting in St. Petersburg, conducted by Lee College ministry students.

I attended two years at Lee College to prepare for ministering, after having

received an A.A. degree from North Florida Junior College (now North Florida Community College).

I began my preaching ministry in 1980 under Rev. Bessie Carr at West Lake Church of God. I entered the Ministerial Internship Program (MIP) in its pilot stage in 1981 and graduated that year, having served under Rev. G. L. McKee at Live Oak Church of God.

I received my exhorter papers in 1983, while attending Bethel Church of God in Lake Park, Ga., under Rev. Don Green.

I received my minister's license the following year.

Afterwards, I began pastoring at Browning's Chapel Church of God in Lakeland, Ga. (1983-85). I was reassigned to pastor at Liberty Church of God in Alma, Ga. (1986). I was removed from that church to return home for a period of a little over one year. During that time, I spent many weekends preaching at various churches.

In the early summer months, I was appointed interim pastor at Green Ridge Church of God, and in August of that year, I

was appointed pastor. I pastored that church for three years (1989-91), and then I was appointed pastor at Starrett Road Church of God in Jacksonville. I was officially ordained in early summer 1990.

In 1992, I was experiencing grave physical difficulties and resigned the church to come home.

In Oct. 1992, I was diagnosed with cancer (Astrocytoma) of the spinal cord. I had a tumor removed in Nov. 1992. Since then, I have filled in for other ministers where I was invited.

In 2004, I suffered through a devastating

divorce.

I have also buried a son and my mother in 2010. My son passed away on Oct. 14 that year and my mother passed away Nov. 6.

In Sept. 2006, I moved into Lake Park of Madison Nursing Home.

I am learning more and more to trust Jesus in everything.

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October Is Pastor Appreciation Month

By Jacob Bemby
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The entire month of October is Pastor Appreciation Month and Oct. 13 is Pastor Appreciation Day. Congregations throughout the country show their appreciation for their pastors in different ways.

An article by Diana Davis on www.lifeway.com shows different ways to honor pastors. Davis' ideas include:

- Writing letters of appreciation to the pastor. On Sunday, Oct. 6, a member of the church is asked to pass out stamped envelopes to the congregation. An instruction note asks each member to write and mail a per-

sonal note of encouragement and appreciation to the pastor.

- Award a t-shirt, cap, or plaque with the "Best Pastor in -" and present it with a flourish.

- Laminate bookmarks created by the children in the church, featuring their art and signatures. Allow each child to present the bookmarks to the pastor personally.

- The congregation can prepare a beautifully framed photo or painting of the church building or take a group photo of church members in front of the building. A nice touch is to use extra wide matting and ask every church member to sign the matting before adding the glass

to the frame.

- The church can purchase a full set of Bible commentaries for the pastor. Allow different groups, such as Sunday School classes, to present one book of the set. The books can be individually wrapped and the classes can include their personal notes of appreciation on the inside pages.

- Create a presentation of slides of the pastor preaching the past year and set it to music. Play it before the service.

- Take out a full page in this newspaper, or in this section (*The Path of Faith*), with a photo of the pastor and a declaration of the church's love and appreciation.

Add each member's signature on the ad.

- Do a surprise office makeover for the pastor, while he is out. You are asked to get help and input from the pastor's wife.

- Think of one small thing your pastor enjoys, such as M&Ms, fishing lures, coffee, boxes of tea bags or ice cream. Ask each member to bring that item on Sunday

and also supply extra for guests or forgetful members.

*You can also use the whole month of October to express a full month of Pastor Appreciation.

Group Seeks Help With Thanksgiving Day Meal



Timmy Dyke

For the last two years, a group has helped provide a meal on Thanksgiving Day. Last year, it was hosted at the Senior Center in Madison and they served close to 200 people with the majority of the meals being delivered.

"I consider that a

great success, but, with more help, we could do much more," said Timmy Dyke, pastor of Pine Grove Baptist Church. Anyone interested in helping with the Thanksgiving Day meal, please give Dyke a call at (850)

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The Pulpit

By Richard Sauls, Pastor,
Lee Worship Center

Welcome Home

Summer vacations, late night sunsets, and a more relaxed schedule are behind us. School has resumed with its ball games and homework deadlines. The nesting instincts of a mom rise to the surface as she again thinks about nurturing her family with comforting chilies and soups. She's thinking about the status of everyone's winter coats and hats and

gloves, making sure those in her care are protected. It's time for the stability of a routine, the security of the familiar, and the safety of a family. It's time to come home.

Welcome home.

"We gather together to ask the Lord's blessings." So begins a wonderful hymn often sung at Thanksgiving.

On Nov. 9, 1620, several children squealed with delight when they saw a seagull dive above the ship. Not long afterward, a sailor cried, "La-a-nd, ho!" After sixty-five days at sea from Plymouth (a total of 97 days from the first launch at Southampton), the Pilgrims caught a glimpse of their destination, the new land where God would be worshiped freely and — in time — where freedom would flourish. Shouting for joy and falling to their knees to pray, they celebrated by reading Psalm 100:

Shout joyfully to the Lord, all the earth,

Serve the Lord with gladness;

Come before Him with joyful singing.

Know that the Lord Himself is God;

It is He who has made us, and not we ourselves;

We are His people and the sheep of His Pasture.

Enter His gates with thanksgiving,

And His courts with praise.

Give thanks to Him; bless His name.

For the Lord is good;

*His lovingkindness is everlasting,
And His faithfulness to all generations.*

Although most Americans' lives don't center around a literal harvest anymore, many of us do gather together every year on the fourth Thursday of November to enjoy family and partake of the abundance of this land.

Increasingly, I've heard people say that Thanksgiving is their favorite holiday. Is that surprising? Though it's a holiday sandwiched between the increasingly popular Halloween and the overwhelmingly merchandised

Christmas, Thanksgiving remains the holiday of "coming home." It's a holiday of rest—in stark contrast to the frenzy of obligations and spending that threaten to destroy the essence of Christmas.

Our national observance of Thanksgiving is unique. It is both distinctly Christian and exclusively American, a holiday for celebrating faith, family, and freedom. May God bless you and your family this Thanksgiving



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Men's Fellowship Dinner Held Each Month At New Home VFD



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A huge group of men meets each month for Christian brotherhood at the New Home Volunteer Fire Department.

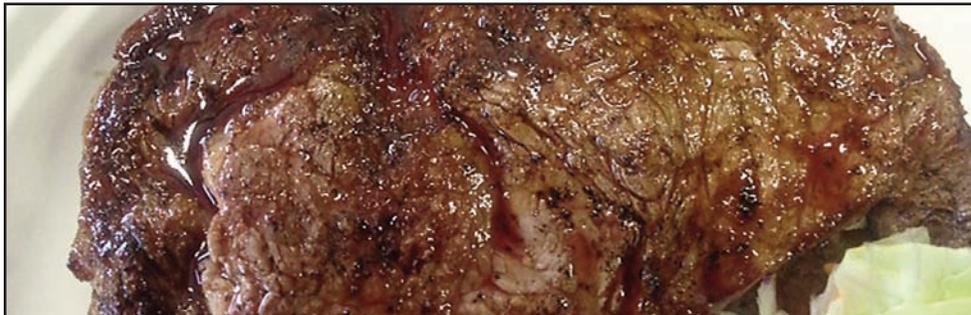


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Men enjoy delicious sirloin steak dinners, like the one in the photo at the New Home men's Christian fellowship.



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Jackson Dickinson, left, and Jared Ragans, right, entertained the men at the New Home men's Christian fellowship during a past meeting.

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The third Thursday of each month, a men's fellowship dinner is held at the New Home Volunteer Fire Department as guests enjoy men's Christian brotherhood, as well as

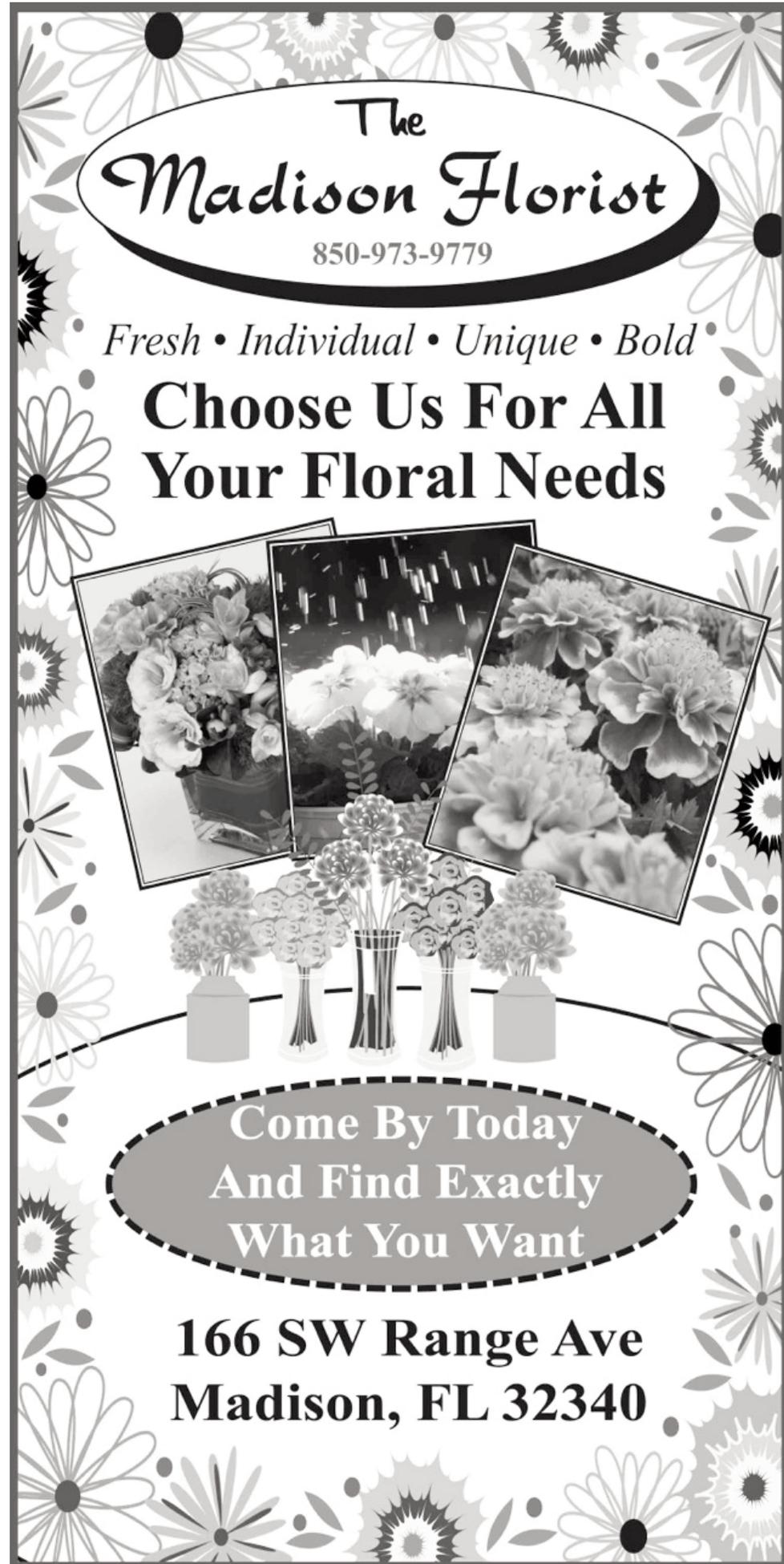
a delicious steak dinner cooked up by the men from New Home Baptist Church. There is usually a guest speaker each month.

During the meeting, the wives and daughters of the men can enjoy fellowship of their own at the home

of Jack and Simmie Pickels, located near the fire department.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, Oct. 17, at 6 p.m.

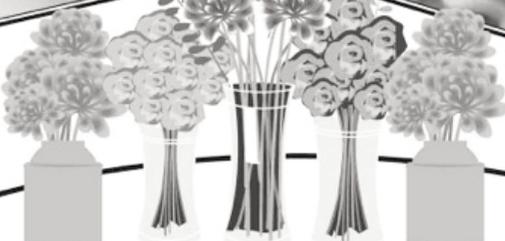
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The Great Commission is Quite Narrow! Part 2



By Dan Fisher

The following is part of a series on the Great Commission. This series is written by Dan Fisher, who has been involved in ministry since he was 15 years old. A former pastor, Fisher holds Master's degrees in Biblical Studies and Pastoral Studies from Faith Baptist Theological Seminary

in Ankeny, Iowa, as well as a bachelor's degree from Appalachian Bible College in Bradley, W. Va. Each week, we will run another portion of the series until it is complete. Fisher resides in Madison County and attends Unity Baptist Church, where he is involved in ministry.

Matthew 28:18-20, And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. 19 Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to observe all things that I have com-

manded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age."

Mark 15:16, And He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."

Luke 24:46-48, Then He said to them, "Thus it is written, and thus it was necessary for the Christ to suffer and to rise from the dead the third day, 47 and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. 48 And you are witnesses of these things."

John 20:21, So Jesus said to them again, "Peace to you! As the Father has sent Me, I

also send you."

Acts 1:8, But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

In these five passages there are only two imperatives: Make Disciples and Preach the Gospel. Therefore, I must conclude that the mission of the Church and of all born again Christians is NARROW.

If, then, Jesus left us with a narrow mission, why are we involved in so many other things???? Now don't take these words

as critical of our Churches. God forbid that I would undertake to criticize the Church that is Christ's Body. However, this principle of a narrow mission should give us a means of evaluating and revising what we do on the basis of whether or not it contributes to obeying Jesus' two commands: Make Disciples and Preach the Gospel.

Nurseries should exist to facilitate obeying these two commands; Children's ministries should exist with the emphasis of making disciples of children and preaching the Gospel to children; Youth ministries should exist to make

disciples of our youth and preaching the Gospel to youth; our Sunday School should exist to obey these two commands; our fellowship dinners should exist to obey these two commands. Everything the Church does should honor the One for Whom the Church exists. The Church does not exist for man; the Church exists for Jesus Christ our LORD!

LORD Jesus, help me to regard Your interests, not my own; cause my interests to fade and Your interests to shine more brightly, in my eyes and to others' eyes. I want to honor You in all I do. I love You, LORD Jesus!

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