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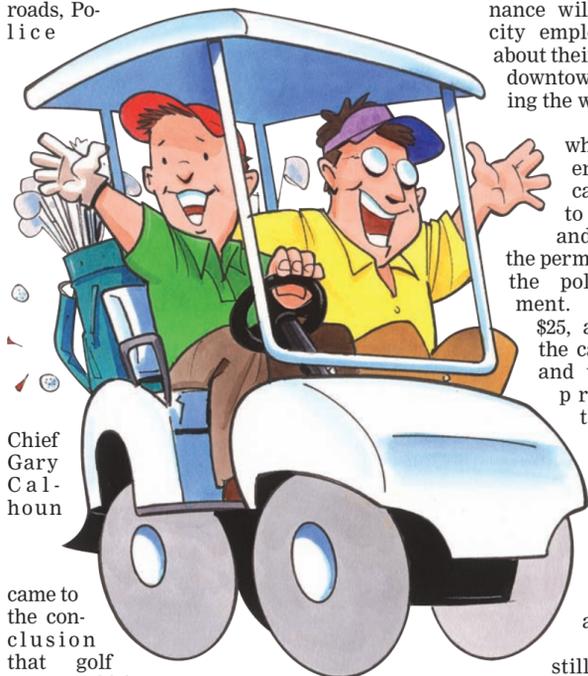
Reworked City Ordinance Allows Golf Carts Downtown Any Time

By Lynette Norris
Greene Publishing, Inc.

After reviewing the issue of golf carts crossing state roads, Police

appropriate permit from the police department would be able to drive their carts during the week as well as on weekends.

cart operators do so at their own risk, have a valid Florida driver's license, and carry liability insurance of at least \$10,000. The ordinance will also allow city employees to go about their tasks in the downtown area during the week.



Chief Gary Calhoun

came to the conclusion that golf carts could be safely operated in the downtown area of Madison any day of the week, and that individuals who purchased the

The new ordinance repeals previous ordinances prohibiting carts from the downtown area, and specifies that all

Individuals who wish to operate golf carts will need to apply for and purchase the permit decal from the police department. Decals are \$25, are good for the calendar year and the price is prorated throughout the year. The color of the decals will change each year, and a \$25 renewal fee applies. The city is still in the process of working with DOT to designate where the carts will be allowed to cross state roads such as Base Street (Highway 90).

Poppell Resigns From Greenville Town Council



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Margaret Poppell, left, resigned as a Greenville town council member. She is shown at a recent meeting with Robin Housh, center, and Calvin Malone, right.

Margaret Poppell resigned from the Greenville Town Council on Oct. 3. She said that she is moving and that she was upset with the direction that the board is going in. Below is an exact copy of her resignation letter that was sent to us by email:

All,
After a great deal of prayer and thought, I am resigning from my seat on the Greenville Town Council.
It is my heartfelt wish that the leadership of the Council put their personnel issues aside and do what is truly best for the Town.
I cite the issue of the Bush Estate, hiring of a part-time Town manager (that will put a strain on the budget and serves no purpose other than to be a puppet personnel officer of the Council,) and the constant violation of the Sunshine Laws, I realize there have been times whether intentional or not...we undoubtedly have all violated "Sunshine" standards; but after warning after warning, and incident upon incident it becomes clear that there are some who contend they are above the law.
I sincerely believe the current administrative staff at City Hall has brought our Town up to par and wish that some of the Council members could put aside their pettiness and realize our Town was right before a gubernatorial take-over had the necessary corrections not been done.
We are in compliance with many things that were formally not taken seriously or paid attention to: a government entity must first and foremost abide by the laws and standards that have been set for it by its Charter, and not just deem them as archaic old rules that serve no purpose.

The Town of Greenville has survived when no one thought it possibly
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Lee Man And Boy Injured In Crash

By Jacob Bembry
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A Lee man and boy were injured in a three-vehicle accident in Suwannee County on Friday, Oct. 11.

were multiple bright warnings signs and the speed limit was reduced to 50 miles per hour.

According to a Florida Highway Patrol report, the accident occurred at the Suwannee/Columbia County line on US 90, just east of Suwannee County Road 10-A.

The witness was waiting for clearance to travel east in the west-bound lane.

At approximately 1:40 p.m., a witness was stopped behind traffic at a construction area. The eastbound warning signs began over a mile from the eastbound lane closure. There were two big flashing signs, urging drivers to "Be Prepared to Stop" and "Lane Closure Ahead." There

Ezequiel Barcena, 39, of Lee, was stopped behind the witness. Barcena was driving a 2012 Chevrolet Silverado.

Shawn Brian Lee, 54, of Lake City, was stopped behind Barcena, driving a 2007 Ford 1500 pickup.

A 2005 Suzuki Reno, driven by Angela Maria Benjamin, 34, of Live Oak, was traveling eastbound on US 90, approaching the stopped traffic.

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Madison Missions Team Hosting Turkey Shoot

By Jacob Bembry
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The Madison Missions Team will host a turkey shoot on Saturday, Oct. 26, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Cherry Lake Crossroads, at the intersection of State Road 53 and County Road 150 (look for the big red sign).

Go out and shoot for cash and prizes. The group will provide 12 and 20 gauge ammunition. Any other gauge shooter will have to provide their own ammunition.

Please bring hearing and eye protection for your safety.

Drinks and snacks will be available. Proceeds from the turkey shoot will go to support the Madison Missions Team's annual mission trip to Kokrine Hills Bible Camp in Alaska.

Hickory Grove Founder's Day Set For Saturday

By Jacob Bembry
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Hickory Grove Founder's Day will be held at Hickory Grove UMC, located off County Road 255 North on NE Hickory Grove Road.

Go out early and stay all day. Enjoy cane grinding, syrup making, buy sausages, venison chili and enjoy good singing. There will also be activities for children.

The day will end with an old fashioned message preached by Hickory Grove UMC Pastor Tim Blanton, as a circuit-riding preacher.

Photo submitted by Dan Buchanan

Pictured at right: Hickory Grove United Methodist Church Pastor Tim Blanton is pictured with his wife, Tonja. Blanton will preach the sermon at the end of Hickory Grove Founder's Day as he makes an entrance as a circuit riding preaching. Everyone is invited to the event and to hear Blanton preach.



October Declared Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Moments after Mayor Rayne Cooks approved the resolution recognizing October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month, Debra McGrew, Executive Director of Refuge House, addressed the City Commission about its importance. "We honor those who survive and remember those who didn't," she said, adding that Refuge House has always had a good relationship with the sheriff, police department and Clerk of Courts in Madison as well as from the college. Addi-



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tionally, she reported that her organization had hired a new coordinator for their Sexual Assault Response Team in Madison, a place she felt had always been strongly supportive of Refuge House.

"Thank you, commissioners," she said.



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VIEWPOINTS & OPINIONS

National Security

GRANT



Joe Boyles
Guest Columnist

In my studies over the years, I've read from many reliable sources that the memoirs of Ulysses S. Grant are considered the finest American military autobiography ever written. So I recently ordered Grant's memoirs for my Kindle and diligently read the entire book.

This is a subject that might not be fully appreciated in a place like Madison. Here, students of history are more exposed to Confederate leaders like Lee, Jackson, or Stuart than to their opposition. And make no mistake, to the Southern audience, Ulysses Grant was, next to Sherman, the most despised Union leader of the American Civil War. Sherman is hated because of his Army's destruction in Georgia and South Carolina; Grant is hated simply because he was so successful.

I don't believe there is any military leader in our nation's history that was more successful on the battlefield than Grant. Some might argue that Eisenhower would qualify, but I don't agree -- Ike had a rough start in North Africa in early 1943.

By contrast, everything that Grant touched from his early days as a colonel in Missouri in 1861 through victory at Appomattox was golden. He did have a narrow escape at Shiloh in April 1862, but his army was victorious nonetheless, and from that point forward, in different commands, he was a juggernaut.

He gained a national reputation as a successful commander in the western theater of the war. When military commanders in the east such as McClellan, Hooker, and Burnside were stumbling over themselves even when blessed with riches, Grant was winning on a shoestring in the Cumberland; at Vicksburg; and at Chattanooga. He was also sorting the wheat from the chaff, measuring the mettle of subordinates like Sherman and Sheridan for future high command.

By 1863, Lincoln recognized that Grant was a winner and promoted him to become the senior Union commander for the entire field army. This was not an easy decision because Grant had many detractors, principally from his pre-war service and failed

business ventures in Illinois. Lincoln took the heat and promoted Grant anyway. The newly minted commander-in-chief did not disappoint.

Following the breakthrough at Chattanooga opening the "back door" to the deep Confederacy, Grant traveled east to take command of the Army of the Potomac. His dynamic 1864 Overland Campaign pushed Lee's Army of Northern Virginia into a defensive position around Richmond and Petersburg. Grant starved them out until spring arrived and Lee fled west hoping to outflank Grant's pursuit and move south to join forces with Johnston's Army of Tennessee.

Lee's desperate plan failed, and his tattered army was surrounded at Appomattox Court House. On April 9, 1865 Lee surrendered to generous terms offered by General Grant. Two weeks later, Johnston surrendered to Sherman in North Carolina and the great rebellion was finally over.

Grant's fame pushed him toward the White House. In 1869 he became our nation's 18th president. His two term presidency was unremarkable except for scandal. In most respects, his brilliant reputation was formed on the bloody battlefields of Tennessee and Virginia decades earlier. Some might say that his presidency was a 19th Century version of the Peter Principle.

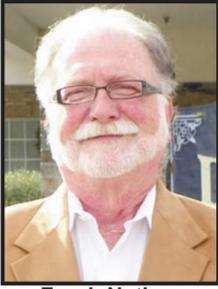
As he entered his 60s in the mid-1880s, Grant was struck by throat cancer. His investments were shot and the situation looked bleak for his wife Julia and their children. Grant sat down and began to pen his memoirs. With little help from staff and relying on memory and notes from twenty years earlier, Grant did a masterful job of writing. He finished the two volumes within a couple of weeks of his death in 1885. His goal was achieved; the royalties from his writing saved the family from financial hardship.

The "Personal Memoirs of Ulysses S. Grant" is not only well written, but easily read. My biggest criticism is that the edition I purchased doesn't have maps. So to really follow his description of the campaigns and battles, a good student of military history and tactics needs additional references. If it is ever worthy of republication, a modern edition would add maps to match the details of his words.

If you are a student of the American Civil War, I heartily endorse reading Grant's memoirs. The man was a genius, presidency aside. His practice of the art of war was impeccable and his writing matches it.

Health & Wellness Tips

Did You Know...



Frank Nathan
Executive Director
Lake Park of Madison

Every woman should learn to recognize the signs of ovarian cancer - because the chances of your healthcare provider being able to spot it are slim. Like most forms of the disease, ovarian cancer is highly curable if diagnosed at the earliest stage, but this only happens in one in five cases. And almost a third of patients are having to wait more than six months after they first went to see their doctor before getting a diagnosis.

The problem is that some of the symptoms such as bloating and abdominal pain are similar to more common conditions, such as irritable bowel syndrome (IBS) which make it difficult for doctors to spot.

Target Ovarian Cancer says it is the combination of symptoms and the pattern in which they appear that is important. Some signs such as persistent bloating and feeling full quickly when eating are particularly significant, especially if they happen frequently. This should alert women to go to their doctor and ask them to investigate.

If you feel something is wrong act early as talking to your GP could save your life [GETTY].

Ovarian cancer affects one in 50 women in their lifetime and most cases are diagnosed in women who have gone through the menopause. This means that most ovarian cancer patients are over 50 - but younger women can also get it. You may remember, Pierce Brosnan's daughter, Charlotte Emily died of ovarian cancer at the age of 42. The same disease killed her mother Cassandra, the actor's first wife in 1991.

To address the issue of late or missed diagnoses, **Target Ovarian Cancer and Macmillan Cancer Support** brought together a group of General Practice doctors and women affected by the disease to come up with ideas on how to tackle the problem. They produced the following set of tips for women worried about ovarian cancer.

TIPS ABOUT OVARIAN CANCER

1. Some symptoms are particularly significant: take note of persistent bloating, pain in the

pelvis or abdomen, difficulty eating or feeling full quickly and needing to urinate more urgently or often than usual; particularly if the symptoms are new for you, they don't go away and especially if they happen more than 12 times a month.

2. If you feel something is seriously wrong then act early. After all, you know your own body. Talking to your Healthcare provider about symptoms might save your life.

3. If you think you need an appointment be assertive. Don't put it off.

4. If you need more time because you have a number of concerns you can book a double appointment with your Healthcare provider. Remember telephone appointments may be available if you have a specific issue you would like to discuss.

5. Help your healthcare provider as much as possible, in advance of your appointment write down anything you want to discuss and if there is something specific such as ovarian cancer you are worried about, then mention it to your healthcare provider.

6. Keep a symptom diary if your symptoms persist. This can be useful not only for you but also when you see your healthcare provider.

7. If friends or family notice you are unwell or experiencing symptoms, act on their concerns and make an appointment with your healthcare provider; don't dismiss their worries.

8. If your healthcare provider asks you to return if things haven't improved, they really mean it.

9. If tests and investigations are negative and your symptoms persist, go back and see your healthcare provider - they are there to help.

10. A normal smear test only rules out cancer of the cervix and not other female cancers such as ovarian and uterine (womb). If you are worried about ovarian cancer then say so.

SIGNS TO WATCH OUT FOR

Symptoms of ovarian cancer are frequent (they usually happen more than 12 times a month) and persistent, and include:

- Increased abdominal size/persistent bloating
- Difficulty eating/feeling full
- Pelvic or abdominal pain
- Needing to wee more urgently or more often

Other symptoms can include unexpected weight loss, change in bowel habits, and extreme fatigue.

Guest Editorial

Medicare Part D Prescription Costs Increasing

Submitted by Pat Lightcap

It probably comes as no shock to the elderly and disabled that the cost of the Medicare Part D medication plans and pills are going up for 2014. This lightly regulated private business approach for access to prescription medication requires an annual review of plans available in your county. The review helps one to avoid paying more than the same medications at the same pharmacy currently being used.

Here is an example using WellCare Extra PDP as the selected plan in Madison County, Florida. In 2013 the monthly premium was \$39 and the total cost of this writers medications was an additional \$31.16. This was reasonable and affordable. The information received on September 25, 2013 from WellCare shows that using the same plan, same medications, and same pharmacy will require a monthly premium of \$45.90 in 2014—a 17.7% increase. The monthly cost of prescriptions will be \$111—a 256.2% increase. Combining the premium and pill costs gives an overall 123.6% increase. Most people on Medicare are not seeing a 123.6% increase in their income beginning in 2014.

Now here is the kicker-if one uses a WellCare preferred in-network pharmacy the monthly 2014 cost for

the medications in the above example is only \$38 and not the \$110. That would be OK. The only problem is that there are no WellCare preferred in-network pharmacies in Madison County! Calls were placed to WellCare, Medicare, and the Florida State Department of Financial Services and there was no offer to deal with this situation. The good people at Winn-Dixie pharmacies tried to become a preferred in-network pharmacy but were told "no" and that there would be no changes until 2015. The WellCare preferred in-network pharmacies are: Wal-Mart, Sam's Club, K-Mart, Walgreens, Duane Reade and a mail order group called Exactus.

So one must now search for another more affordable plan if there be one. This has to be done each year during the open enrollment period from Oct. 15 to Dec. 7. The great fear is that this same model will be used for health insurance under the Affordable Care Act (also known as ObamaCare) and reeks of the potential for "bait-and-switch" tactics where the plans change and you have to annually compare plans again for the best deal.

As we age we do get wiser—but we are getting tired.

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Resignation

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could; and I believe the Town will carry on in spite of the obvious issues of Council.

Please know, I do not feel my time served has been a waste, and I wish the Town and those who are In charge the best.

Sincerely,

Margaret E. Poppell
Sent from my iPhone

The next meeting of the Greenville Town Council will be Monday, Oct. 21. The Monday, Oct. 14, meeting was postponed due to Columbus Day.

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Crash

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Benjamin's Suzuki ran into the back of Lee's Ford pickup. The Ford 1500 was pushed approximately 12 feet forward from the point of impact. The front end of the pickup struck the rear end of Barcena's pickup.

All three vehicles came to rest in the east-bound lane of US 90, facing east.

Ezequiel Barcena and his passenger, Ezequiel Barcena, Jr., eight, of Lee, sustained minor injuries in the wreck. They did not require being transported to a hospital.

Lee suffered minor injuries in the wreck and was taken to Lake City Medical Center.

Angela Maria Benjamin was seriously injured in the accident and was taken to Shands at the University of Florida in Gainesville. Her passenger, Chloe Marie Benjamin, five, of Fort White, suffered minor injuries in the crash and was taken to Shands at Lake Shore in Lake City.

Charges of careless driving, driver seatbelt not in use, child restraint not in use, possession of marijuana less than 20 grams and possession of drug paraphernalia are pending against Angela Marie Benjamin.

FHP Trooper Alfred L. Hughes III was the investigating officer.

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Man In China Amputates His Own Leg

In Boading, China, a 47-year-old man used a metal saw and knife to amputate his own leg. Zheng Yanliang was diagnosed with an arterial embolism in his left leg after he began suffering pain in the leg. He was told he would only have three months to live if he did not have the leg amputated. He was unable to afford the surgery at a hospital and a local doctor refused to carry out the procedure. Zheng was recently diagnosed with another arterial embolism in his other leg and made an appeal to the public for help. Dr. Zhang Qiang of Shanghai Wode Medical Center came forward and offered to amputate the second leg for free.

Man Leaves Bride At Gas Station

In Kirchheim, Germany, a man on his honeymoon trip, left his new bride at a gas station and drove about 125 miles before realizing she was not in the vehicle. Eileen Novak said she got out of their van to use the restroom at a gas station and her husband drove off without her. She said her husband drove for two hours before realizing she was not in the van because he thought she was in the back sleeping. Novak had no money or phone when left behind and was reunited with her husband with help from the Kirchheim police.

Man Saved By Pulling Bears Tongue

In New Brunswick, Canada, a man walking on his wooded property near Grand Falls, was able to fend off a bear attack by grabbing its tongue. Gilles Cyr said the black bear burst out of the woods and attacked him. "When I opened my eyes it was on top of me, with the frigg'n noise, it's crazy the way it growls." Cyr said, "His mouth was wide open right in front of my face so the last thing I remember I had his tongue in my hand and I didn't want to let go because he was trying to fight me off. He was hitting me with his claws, so I said, 'If you're going to hurt me, I'm going to hurt you too.' So he was biting his tongue at the same time." Cyr said he thought he was dead. "That's the first thing you think when you open your eyes and see that frigg'n mouth full of teeth and a tongue in there," he said. "It's like an extreme sport." Cyr was able to escape behind a tree with only superficial claw wounds to his belly and a bite on his knee.

Vladimir Putin Fights Zombies

In Brussels, a Belgian game programmer will release a game this year that pits Russian President, Vladimir Putin against a horde of zombies. Michele Rocco Smeets said his latest project titled, "You Don't Mess With Putin," has Putin and a sidekick from the U.S., a fictional alcoholic man who goes by the name of Mike, against zombies that attack at a news conference. Putin's dialogue in the game is based on actual statements from the official. "Putin has a tough guy image and he's not afraid to get his hands dirty," Smeets said. "He hunts, he rides, he shoots. A leader should be strong and in my opinion, Putin is the only leader that really fulfills this image."

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AROUND MADISON COUNTY

Obituary

Joanne Payne Martin

Joanne Payne Martin, age 74, of Riverside Acres, Donaldsonville, Ga., passed away Tuesday, October 8, 2013, at the Early Memorial Nursing Home in Blakeley, Ga. Her funeral was held Saturday, October 12, 2013 at 11 a.m. in the Chapel of Manry-Jordan-Hodges Funeral Home, 21802 Lucile Road or Hwy 39 S., Blakely, Ga. There was a visitation Monday evening from 5 to 7 p.m. at Beggs Funeral Home in Madison. The graveside service was held Tuesday, October 15, 2013 at 10:30 a.m. in the Beulah Baptist Church Cemetery in Lee, FL, with Rev. Toby Martin officiating both the funeral service in Georgia and the graveside service in Florida.

Mrs. Martin was born March 2, 1939 in Jacksonville to the late John Thompson Payne, Sr. and Anna Mildred Rowell Payne. She was a member of the Spring Creek Baptist Church in Donaldsonville, Ga., and was a homemaker. Other than her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Fred Shepard Martin, Sr.

Her survivors include her daughter, Marilyn Jennings of Donaldsonville, Ga.; two sons, Fred S. Martin, Jr. and his wife Wendy of McAlpin and Dennis C. Martin and his wife Edith of Live Oak; two sisters; her twin Jean Bemby of Dowling Park, and Janice Yarborough of Madison; one brother, John Thompson Payne, Jr. and his wife Maryanne of Dumfries, Va.; four grandchildren; Tonya Jennings of Tallahassee, Kyle Jennings of Honolulu, Hawaii, Rev. Toby Martin and Tanner Martin, both of Live Oak; 11 great-grandchildren and a special friend and caretaker, Barbara Wallace of Donaldsonville, Ga. Beggs Funeral Home, Madison, is in charge of arrangements.

In Remembrance

Mr. Andrew "AJ" Ratliff



Date of Death 10/7/73,
Date of Homegoing 10/13/73

40th Year of Remembrance

"You're not forgotten my dear father, nor shall you ever be. As long as I have breath in my lungs, I will remember thee. My lips cannot tell how much we miss you. My heart cannot tell what to say. God only knows how much we miss you dad, in our hearts every single day."

Your baby girl,
Sheila Williams

Announcements

Dickey-Revels Announce Engagement



Marley Ann Revels, of Perry, is excited to announce the engagement and upcoming marriage of her father, Mr. Colin "Cole" Vince Revels to Miss Olivia Ashlee Dickey.

Olivia is the daughter of Chuck and Lynn Dickey of Lee. She is a 2010 graduate of Madison County High School and is employed at the Hardee Law Firm in Madison.

Cole is the son of Tina and Waymond Carroll of Perry and Vince and Tammey Revels of Madison. He is a 2006 graduate of Taylor County High School and is employed at Jack's Boats and Trailers in Perry.

The wedding is planned for November 9, 2013 at 4 p.m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Dickey (387 SE Burnett Pond Trail in Madison).

No local invitations are being sent, but all family and friends are invited to share with them in beginning their lives together.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

{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 19}

Cherry Lake American Legion Auxiliary spaghetti dinner sale, spaghetti, salad and garlic bread, \$5.

{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 20}

The Rye Family Reunion will be held Sunday, Oct. 20, beginning at noon. All guests are asked to bring a covered dish and enjoy fellowship at the Lee Town Hall Pavilion.

{October 22}

A lunch and learn series, Women and Money: Unique Issues will be held at the Lake Park of Madison Nursing Home from noon-1 p.m. Learn about money issues women face over a lifetime. Topics include managing income, protecting assets and helping your money grow. The series is offered by the Madison County Extension Service. For more information, call (850) 973-4138. This program is open to the community and to anyone interested in attending. Lake Park will be providing a lunch, so please contact Ashley Sevor or Karen Kocan at (850) 973-8277 to register.

{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.

{October 25}

Hanson United Methodist Church will host Halloween with a Christian swing on Friday, Oct. 25, from 6-9 p.m. There will be a hayride and cookout. Anyone up to 18 is invited. There will also be a sleepover for the kids.

{October 26}

A turkey shoot will be held to

raise funds for an annual mission trip to Kokrine Hills Bible Camp in Alaska on Saturday, Oct. 26, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Cherry Lake Crossroads (Intersection of SR 53 and CR 150. Look for the big red sign.) 12 and 20 gauge ammunition provided. Any other gauge shooter has to provide ammunition. Bring hearing and eye protection. Drinks and snacks will be available.

{October 26}

Cherry Lake American Legion Auxiliary will have a peanut boil from 2 p.m. until they are sold. Proceeds will benefit needy families at Christmas.

{October 26}

A fall festival will be held at Concord Baptist Church on Saturday, Oct. 26, from 4 p.m.-until. There will be a fish fry with trimmings and chicken tenders will also be available. There will be games for all ages and a cake auction. All donations support the school in Haiti that the church supports. Go in your camo because the church is going Duck Dynasty. Share some joy in the Lord.

{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.

{November 9}

Called "A Night of Miracles," Jacob Bemby and recording artists LifeSong will hold a book signing and music concert at Pinetta United Methodist Church at 7 p.m. to unveil Jacob Bemby's new book which details his near-death experience and recovery.

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AROUND MADISON COUNTY

October 16 Is World Food Day

By Lynette Norris
Greene Publishing, Inc.

According to a 2012 National Resources Defense Council report, more than one third of the food produced in the United States is thrown away uneaten each year. In physical terms, imagine 2.7 million apples and 22,000 pounds of tomatoes thrown away...every 40 minutes.

In a news brief entitled *Wasted: How America is Losing Up to 40 Percent of Its Food From Farm to Fork to Landfill*, NRDC revealed that:

America trashes up to 40 percent of its food supply each year, valued at \$165 billion.

The average American family of four throws away the equivalent of \$2,275 annually.

Food waste is the

single largest component of solid waste in U.S. landfills.

There has been a 50 percent jump in the amount of U.S. food waste since the 1970s.

Just a 15 percent reduction in losses in the U.S. food supply would save enough food to feed 25 million Americans annually.

Wasted food is also a waste of natural resources – the energy, water and farmland necessary to grow and produce the food that ends up being discarded.

A big part of the blame is the hodgepodge of “sell-by” and “use-by” labeling systems that vary from state to state and company to company, misleading consumers into throwing out perfectly good food, but the report goes on to suggest that American families could save a

substantial amount of money in a time of sky-rocketing food prices by shopping more wisely, cooking only the amount of food they will eat and incorporating leftovers into their meal plans.

The September issue of *Real Simple* magazine takes it a step further by suggesting that people honor World Food Day (Oct. 16) this year by donating their surplus non-perishable food items to a local community food bank.

In Madison County, local food banks include Consolidated Christian Ministries, and any local churches in Madison, Greenville, Lee, or any other community, that maintain food pantries and accept food donations. Ask your church if it has such a pantry.

Madison Service Clubs Taking On Lake Francis Fountain Project

Submitted by Jerome Wyche

It has always been said that, “The quality of life is only as good as you make it.” Two professional service organizations in Madison County have combined their efforts and energies to address a community project in the City of Madison that requires the attention of all citizens. The willingness and the desire of the Rotary Club and the Kiwanis Club of Madison County, easily recognized strength in numbers, have agreed to take the lead and work together to help upgrade an inefficient operation of the water aeration system at Lake Francis.

Currently, the single aeration system is severely challenged to maintain the cleanliness of the lake and support the habitat for its fish and fowl. A discovery made by city officials made clear that an additional system was necessary to maintain the appearance of the lake as well as preventing involuntary fish kills.

The two organiza-

tions met on several occasions and have begun making tentative plans to upgrade one of the central attractions in our county. The leadership of the organizations, supported by its members, have set a goal to raise \$5,000 to purchase and install an additional

every citizen, otherwise, Lake Francis may lose its appeal to the many citizens that enjoy parking around the lake as well as the many that participate in maintaining a healthy lifestyle through voluntary exercising. It is the sincere hope that other professional organizations, businesses, churches and citizens will join the Rotary Club and the Kiwanis Club in meeting this community objective.

Citizens are encouraged to join the efforts by participating in the fundraisers, making a donation or hosting a fundraiser of your own. Contributions and donations may be deposited into an account at Madison County Community Bank under the name of Lake Francis Aeration Project. At the completion of this worthwhile community project, all contributors will be publicly recognized for their participation and generosity. “All things work well when everyone participates.”



The 129th Edition Of Cole Bros. Circus Of The Stars Is Coming

Classic Circus, American-style, complete with elephants, tigers, thrilling aerialists and acrobats, mystifying magic and hilarious clowns will appear in Valdosta at the Five Points Shopping Center, 3143 N. Ashley Street. Shows will be on Monday Oct. 28, Tuesday Oct. 29 and Wednesday Oct. 30. Show times will be 4:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. daily.

Cole Bros. Circus of the Stars new 2013 performance features Princess Vicenta’s astonishing assemblage of white tigers, awesome elephants with special guest star-siblings, Babies Val and Hugo, and for the first time ever in the United States, the in-

ternational award-winning high-wire artistry of Columbia’s Tabares Troupe. From Kazakhstan, the amazing Lana dazzles with Quick Change and Grand Scale Illusions. Argentina’s Fassio Family and their cavalcade of captivating canines - elegant Afghans, loveable St. Bernards, and a mighty Chihuahua, delight children of all ages. Daredevil turns include Thunder-Drome, the motoglobe of death, and The Human Cannonball, who bursts from the barrel of The World’s Largest Cannon at 5g velocity. Comic relief arrives compliments of The Bermudez Troupe, who steal the show one smile at a time.

Advance tickets are available at the Customer Service Department at Santa Rosa Mall.

With a performance filled with stellar circus attractions, Cole Bros. Circus of the Stars remains surprisingly affordable, with free tickets for children under 13 available at www.GoToTheCircus.com, and adult general admission priced at \$16 for advance purchase. General admission may be upgraded to Reserved Seats for \$4 or VIP seat for \$7. For more information, visit GoToTheCircus.com.

For further information contact Michael Norris, Marketing Director at (404) 274-1822.

Lucile Day Becomes Madison Kiwanis Club’s Second Zeller Fellow



Greene Publishing, Inc. Photo By Lynette Norris, September 19, 2013

A surprised Lucile Day receives her Walter Zeller medallion from District III Lt. Gov. Jim Ledbetter at the annual Kiwanis banquet.

By Lynette Norris
Greene Publishing, Inc.

At the Madison Kiwanis Club’s Annual Awards Banquet, where several people were recognized for distinguished service over the past year, District III Lt. Gov. Jim Ledbetter surprised Lucile Day with a silver medallion recognizing her as a Walter Zeller Fellow. Day is the second Madison Kiwanis member to receive the honor; George Willis was the first.

A Walter Zeller Fellow award honors those Kiwanians who have made a \$1250 or more contribution to Project Eliminate, a global partnership between UNICEF and Kiwanis International to eliminate Mater-

nal/Neonatal Tetanus from the face of the earth.

Maternal/Neonatal Tetanus (MNT) comes from spores that live in the soil all over the planet. When these spores come into contact with open cuts during childbirth, the consequences are tragic. Stricken newborns suffer painful convulsions and soon die; often the disease kills the mothers as well.

MNT is still endemic in 26 countries around the world, most frequently in regions that are impoverished, geographically isolated, or where access to health care is minimal or nonexistent.

MNT is also an easily preventable disease, where three doses of a 60-cent vaccine can give future mothers

full immunity to the disease, which they pass on to their infants.

Kiwanis International has partnered with UNICEF before in successful health initiative campaigns. In 2010, it partnered again with UNICEF in another initiative end the needless suffering caused by MNT, raising funds for the vaccine, while UNICEF’s well-organized supply lines and staff on the ground in all corners of the globe handle the logistics of delivering the vaccine where it is needed.

The Walter Zeller Award recognizes those Kiwanians who have contributed \$1250 or more to the effort. Lucile Day’s gift will save the lives of 690 mothers and their babies.

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Greenville's Seniors Stay Busy At The Senior Center

By Lynette Norris
Greene Publishing, Inc.

Since early April, Greenville's Senior Center on Onslow Street have been learning how to make quilts. They also knit hats and even make necklaces and bracelets and several other projects. The quilting classes were Ruth Bishop's idea, said Betty Johnson, director of the center. If there is enough interest in the quilting classes, Bishop also wants to start up a general sewing class.

Each day, the quilting and sewing seniors gather at the table around the one sewing machine and take turns doing the required machine stitching while others work on the hand-sewing or other individual projects. They generally work on their projects from 10:30 a.m. until 1 p.m.

At 11:45 a.m., the Senior Center staff serves lunch to all those 60 and older.

The Center is a place where Greenville's elder citizens can come to-

gether, socialize, work on sewing or craft projects, ride exercise bikes or other physical activities and enjoy a midday meal together. However, the Center needs a few donations for the sewing/quilting and other craft activities, and one of the main things it needs is another sewing machine or two. If anyone has a working sewing machine they don't want anymore, the Center would really appreciate it, said Johnson.

Meanwhile, the ladies have managed

to produce quite a few beautiful quilts since April, using just the one machine. Eventually, when they have enough quilts and lap robes made, they'll look for people who could use them.

Another big need at the Center is any material or fabric scraps that are suitable for quilting projects. "It needs to be a cotton or a cotton blend," said Johnson. Just think about the kind of fabric that goes into quilts, and if you have any leftover fabric like that, the

ladies at the Greenville Senior Center can put it to good use. "They do enjoy it so," said Johnson.

The center also needs yarn for knitting hats, scarves and other crafts, and any sewing supplies like needles and thread, as well as dollar gift items to use for bingo prizes. Any of these items can be dropped off at the Senior Citizens Council of Madison at 1161 SW Harvey Greene Dr., Monday through Friday, between 9 a.m. and 3

p.m.

You don't have to be 60 or older to volunteer at the center in Greenville. If you have an idea for an arts-and-crafts project or a game or other activity, or just generally want to help out, contact Johnson or stop by the center to talk to her.

For more information, contact the center's director, Betty Johnson, at (850) 948-2684, or Angie Cisco, Older American Act Coordinator, at (850) 973-4241.

Civic Club Countdown To Fun Fall Fundraisers And Festivals

OCT. 17
Rotary Club - Prime Rib Dinner and Rifle Raffle, Villa Maria Hall, 5-7 p.m.
Dine-in or take-out. Dinner tickets, \$25; Raffle tickets, \$2.

NOV. 2, 9, & 16
Lions Club - Turkey Shoot, in front of Greene Publishing, 1695 S. SR 53, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
Three Saturdays of target-shooting fun. \$3 per shot; win your round, win a frozen turkey.

DEC. 7
Kiwanis Club - Light Up Madison, downtown Madison street festival and parade, 5-9 p.m.
Fun for the whole family.



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Onazina Washington displays the cap he is knitting while Walter Blackshear (on the exercise bike) looks on. Not pictured are several other men who frequently drop by the center, including Burnese Davis, Harry Cambridge and Clarence Mathers.



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Nearby tables display some of the beautiful quilting projects the ladies have completed.



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From the far end of the table, Walter Blackshear and Onazina Washington chat with one of the ladies gathered around the sewing machine at the other end. Clockwise from upper left are Joyce Tatum, Matilda Thomas (at machine), Mary Demps and Carrie Hamilton. Thomas is also wearing a necklace she made at the center.

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AROUND MADISON COUNTY

“Country Boy From Monticello” Halsey Beshears Speaks At Rotary Club

By Lynette Norris
Greene Publishing, Inc.

Florida House District 7 is the largest district in the state, consisting of 10 counties. People in Tallahassee often tell Halsey Beshears, who represents this district in the State Legislature, that they don't know how he does it, representing such a spread-out geographical area, when they have much smaller districts that they can drive across in 15 minutes or less. However, Rep. Beshears, a self-described “country boy from Monticello,” is quite happy to represent the people of District 7, even if it means a lot of traveling. The best part about it, he says, is its proximity to Tallahassee, meaning that he can go home every night, unlike many other legislators who represent districts much further away. Being able to go home during the legislative session keeps him grounded.

Beshears spoke on three of the biggest topics that dominated the last session: the expansion of Medicaid, proposed changes to the Florida Retirement System (FRS), and the elections/ethics reforms.

“Nobody wants to deny health care to people who really need it,” he said, referencing the first topic. “But Medicaid is a broken system.”

The expansion of Medicaid in Florida was deemed unacceptable last year, but it will come up again next year because of the federal government. Beshears predicts that it will come to a head sometime in January.

The FRS measure came about because the majority of legislators were unwilling to keep dumping money into such a system, when the private sector is moving toward individual retirement accounts like the 401(k). Even though the FRS has been billed as a “number three rated system in the country,” Beshears stated that being “number three” out of thirteen similar systems was basically meaningless.

“This type of system doesn't work,” said Beshears, added that the system the legislature wanted to put in its place would be only for brand-new hires; it would not affect those already working for the state, the counties, and the cities. However, the perception was that the state was taking away everybody's pensions, and the measure

failed.

The one major thing that did pass was the legislation to make elections more fair and the voting process more transparent.

The cost of implementation, however, especially the required new software and equipment, can be crushing to small, rural, struggling counties, and Beshears related an example of how legislators from the larger urban counties down in South Florida often just don't “get it.” “Why don't (the smaller counties) just raise the property taxes half a mil?” is a question he hears a lot.

Well, half a mil in a county like Lafayette or Madison might net an extra \$200,000, which may or may not cover the tab for an unfunded mandate. That's chump change to large urban counties with big upscale tax bases, but to the people in the small counties who have paid in that extra mil, “That's a whole pile of money.” Public officials in these small counties often have to make deep cuts into their own budget to accommodate the new state requirements.

“When you see your local county officials, pat them on the back,” said Beshears. “They're doing a tough job.”

When asked what made him run, he laughed and said, “I'd probably have to have a drink and a very long time to tell you my epiphany.”

But what it boils down to is, “It's about my kids.”

It is also about small businesses struggling, something he, as a businessman, understands. “You can complain about it or you can show up and try to change it. The world is run by the people who show up. That's the reality.”

However it has meant that all the traveling throughout his district and time spent in Tallahassee has meant family-time sacrifices. One that he feels keenly is missing all but two of his daughter's softball games during a season when she was finally getting the hang of the game and really beginning to shine as a star for her team.

“Is it worth it? It better be. It's time away from my family. If it's not worth it, I'm not going to waste my time.”

To others who might consider public office, he had this to offer: “Don't go there expecting answers. You've got to come up with your own solutions.”



Greene Publishing, Inc. Photo by Lynette Norris, October 2, 2013

As a “country boy from Monticello” tasked with representing Florida House District 7, Halsey Beshears was a guest speaker at the Madison Rotary Club for their Oct. 2 meeting.

Run, Turkey, Run...In A Manner Of Speaking Lions Club Turkey Shoot Coming Up

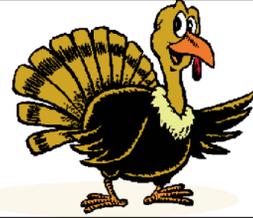
By Lynette Norris
Greene Publishing, Inc.

When we think of Thanksgiving, we think of turkeys, and when we think of turkeys, we think of the Annual Lions Club Turkey Shoot.

At least, around here, we do.

Actually, the turkeys in question are already frozen, and the contestants who come out to the Turkey Shoot get a chance to show off their target-shooting skills in order to win a turkey, while helping raise money for a good cause.

As usual, the shoot will be located in front of Greene Publishing on State Road 53, where the yellow blinking caution light and the big Greene Publish-



ing, Inc. sign means turn left and there you are. This year, the Lions Club is thinking about moving the target area a little closer to the highway for better visibility from the

road. Shots are three dollars each, and there will be 12 shots in a round. The Lions hope to do about five to eight rounds a day.

The turkey shoot takes place on three successive Saturdays before Thanksgiving: Nov. 2, Nov. 9, and Nov. 16. All the events run from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

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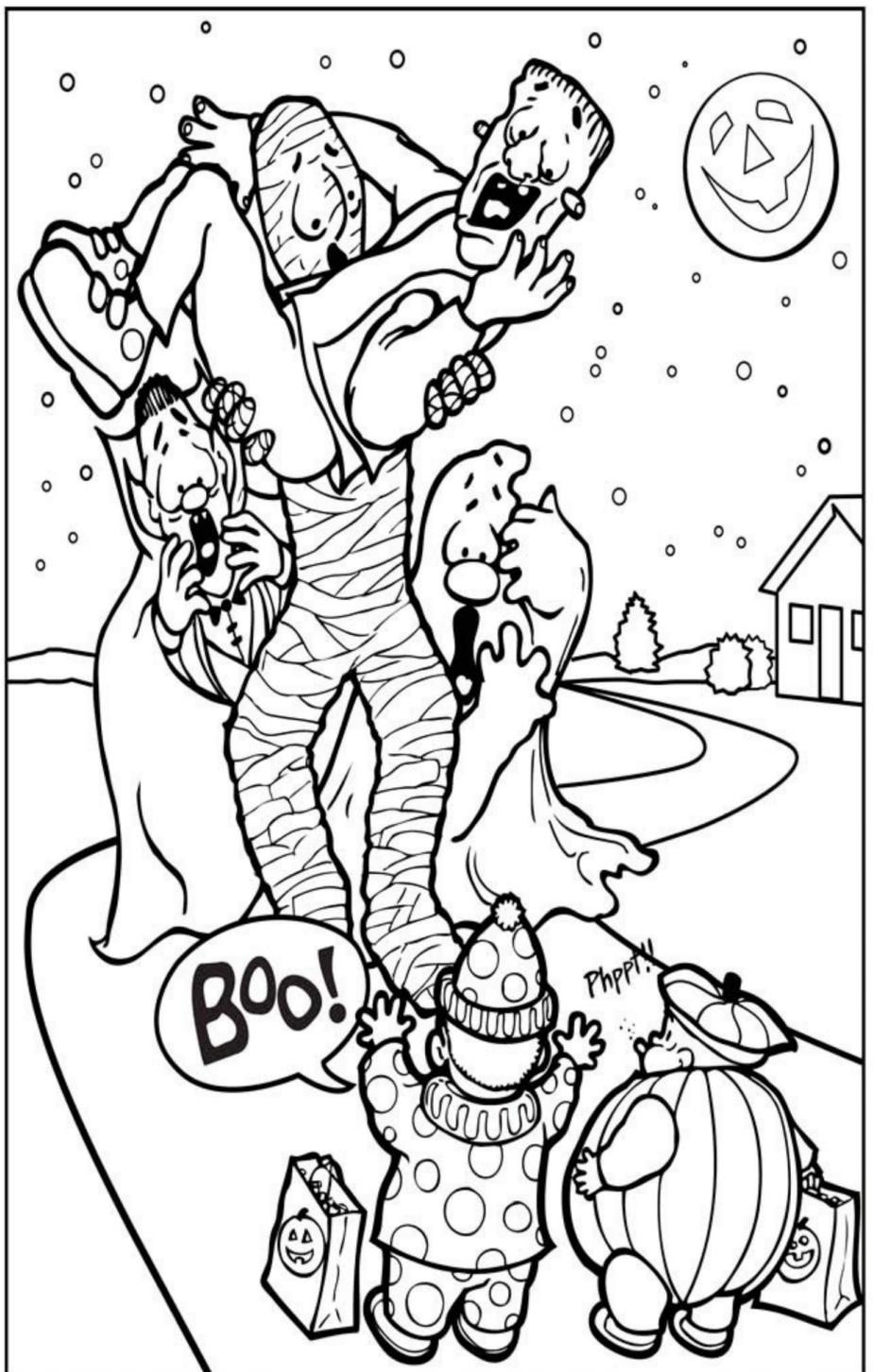
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J.P. Maultsby Of Florida Plywood Speaks At Rotary Club



Greene Publishing, Inc. Photo by Lynette Norris, September 18, 2013

J.P. Maultsby, Vice President and General Manager of Florida Plywood, speaks to the Madison Rotary Club about the challenges faced by small manufacturing companies.

By Lynette Norris
Greene Publishing, Inc.

J.P. Maultsby, Vice President of Florida Plywood, describes himself as “a simple guy in the manufacturing business,” addressing the Madison Rotary Club about some of the challenges of being a small business in the current economic climate.

Florida Plywood has been a family business since 1956, run by his dad, uncle and cousin. In 1999, Maultsby came back to

Madison to join the family business.

It is a “cut-and-size” operation; instead of the big 4x8 sheets of plywood, they do smaller sizes for specific orders. They sell precision-cut pieces to cabinet-makers, furniture makers and other manufacturing customers.

In the 1970s, the business expanded, adding a particle-board mill, one of the first in the southeastern U.S., and a second plywood mill.

Today, the company consists of 55 employees, with an average tenure of 16 years.

Their chipboard products are formed with kiln-dried shavings and wood fibers, which they buy from sawmills, mix with resin and lay down in a press former that applies 2800 tons of pressure (or 390 pounds per square inch). It is heated to over 300 degrees. The panel is then sawed into strips, and sanded to within 3/1000 of an inch of specs. Before the wood-grain veneer laminate can be applied, the

chipboard has to cool down for at least two weeks.

When they are finished with a batch of chipboard, they will have some residue left over, which they sell to other customers, such as Buckeye.

In the current market, the number of housing starts is okay right now, said Maultsby, but a higher number would be better; it is, after all, the number of housing starts that creates the most demand for plywood and chipboard products. In a housing boom of many years past, he recalls that Greenville Plywood was the plywood capital of the Southeast, shipping tons of product by rail all over the country.

Today, things are a little different for small businesses, but Maultsby feels that they can still be competitive. For instance, right now, the cost of energy is a U.S. advantage. It adds a lot to the cost of consumer goods and raw materials to ship overseas, and that is where domestically produced goods have the advantage. “But if we’re not careful, we may give that (advantage) up,” he said.

The government cannot tax-and-spend its way to prosperity,

he added. It has to allow businesses and the people who run them to do what they do best.

However, to the frustration of many small businesses, the biggest rock around their necks is the government. One example is the global warming and the 1997 Kyoto agreement that resulted in wooden pellets being burned as energy and pellet mills being created to produce them. However, most of the pellets produced are shipped to Europe, and their production takes up large amounts of wood fiber that could be put into other products, like those produced by Florida Plywood and the customers it sells to. Such energy policies now work against small businesses.

Minimum wage is another obstacle. He is

not against paying skilled workers very well if a business can afford it, but when the government mandates higher wages than many small businesses can afford, the result is businesses going under. In Florida, minimum wage is indexed for inflation, meaning that as prices go up, wages will go up as well.

Then there is mandated health insurance adding to the cost of doing business.

Small businesses face the same challenges as large organizations, but they have smaller staff and fewer resources. They need good representatives in government to get policy-makers to understand that.

Still, he is optimistic. There is still a bright future for small businesses, especially

small manufacturing businesses but they must be able to adapt to the challenges thrown at them. People are still buying manufactured goods, and this won’t change. There are industries where quick response and quick delivery is needed, and industries where custom parts are in demand. Furniture making that had gone overseas is now starting to come back.

All in all, Florida Plywood is a great job. It’s some kind of fun, he told the audience, to take wood fibers and resins and shape them into sheets and panels of wood that will be used in all kinds of manufacturing. It’s a job in a company with a solid past behind it that looks toward the future that its products will help build.

Greenville Holding Health Fair For Seniors



By Lynette Norris
Greene Publishing, Inc.

The “Healing Help For Seniors Health Fair” is coming to the Greenville Senior Center, Wednesday, Oct. 23, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

The Center, located at 166 SW Onslow Street, will have lots of information on senior health concerns, with informative presentations, vendor booths and door prizes. A free lunch will also be served to fair attendees.

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SCHOOL

Johnny Appleseed Visits Local Schools



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In costume and in character as Johnny Appleseed, Tim Sanders hands out apples to Pinetta Elementary students.

By Lynette Norris
Greene Publishing, Inc.
Johnny Appleseed was the popular nickname given to John Chapman (1774-1845), a figure and folk hero from the early part of post-Revolutionary American History. His father, Nathaniel Chapman, served with Gen. George Washington, in the American Revolution.

Legends, of course, often take on a life of their own, especially legends as popular and long-lived as the one surrounding Chapman. Popular images of Johnny Appleseed portray him as a dreamy wanderer, randomly scattering seeds along roadsides throughout early America, but

Chapman was, in fact, an industrious and hardworking nurseryman who is one of our earliest leaders in conservationism. Rather than randomly scattering seeds, he bought tracts of land wherever he went, planted orchards, nurtured and tended them, and later sold them. Over a period of 50 years, he left behind hundreds of orchards and thousands of productive apple trees in large parts of Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois and parts of West Virginia. His vision was to produce so many apples that no one need ever go hungry again.

He became a legend while he was still alive, for his work, his kind and generous nature,

his concern for animals whether large or small, and his faith. In addition to planting orchards, he preached the Gospel as he saw it, wherever he went. Many images of him include not only the ever-present apples, but a Bible as well.

On a cool fall Friday, Johnny Appleseed, portrayed by Madison County Clerk of Courts Tim Sanders, visited some local schools to tell them the story of John Chapman, his work and the vision he had of planting enough apple trees to end hunger in the fledgling American nation. It is a role Sanders has reprised for some 18 or 19 years by his reckoning and one he clearly enjoys.

It was not only

Chapman's apple-orchard legacy, but also his character that has made him so admired by many who consider him a positive example of humanity worthy of emulating.

Sanders visited Madison Academy during the morning, and Pinetta Elementary during the afternoon.

"Feeding people, helping people and letting your light shine," said Sanders to the children at Pinetta Elementary. These were some of the ways that they could continue carrying on the mission that was so important to Chapman.

"You're all special," Sanders told the children, "And Johnny Appleseed thought you were special too."



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At Pinetta Elementary, Miss Gail Washington's class gathers around Tim "Johnny Appleseed" Sanders, displaying the apples he gave them.



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Still at Pinetta, Miss Christy Androski's class gets their turn with Johnny Appleseed, holding their apples up high.



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Still in costume, Sanders gathers with the children afterward for a group photo at Madison Academy.

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"Johnny Appleseed" reads to the children at Madison Academy.

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SPORTS

Varsity Cowboys Win By Forfeit, JV Falls To Columbia County

By Jacob Bemby
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The Madison County High School Cowboys varsity improved to 3-4 on the year as True Institute from Brunswick, Ga., forfeited the game scheduled against them.

The Cowboys will saddle up now and head to Fort White, where they will play against the undefeated Fort White Indians in a district clash on Friday evening, Oct. 18. Kick-off is set for 7:30 p.m.

On Oct. 25, the Cowboys will go to Deland where they will play the Bulldogs.

The Cowboys varsity wraps up their regular season with a homecoming game against the Fernandina Beach Pirates on Nov. 1. That game will also be a district contest.

The Cowboys junior varsity lost a close game to Columbia County on Thursday evening, Oct. 10, by a score of 21-14. They will host the Wakulla War Eagles junior varsity on Thursday, Oct. 17, and try to avenge an earlier loss to the team. Kickoff is set for 7 p.m.

Madison Academy Lady Panthers: A Hard Fight Ends In A Loss



Greene Publishing, Inc. Photo By Lynette Norris, October 3, 2013

The Lady Panthers were in constant motion during the double header against the "A Team" and "B Team" of the Riversprings Middle School Lady Bears of Wakulla. This is the second portion of the double-header, playing against the older Lady Bears "A Team."

By Lynette Norris
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Madison Academy's Oct. 3 volleyball game was a double-header against the Lady Bears of Wakulla County's Riversprings Middle School, meaning that the Lady Panthers played against two separate teams, the B Team of the younger Lady Bears, and the A Team that was com-

prised of mostly eighth-graders.

In the first game against the B Team, the Bears served first, scored first and held a serve that was tough to break for 15 points. Then the Panthers took over and rallied with about half a dozen points on the board, before the Bears had the ball again.

The serve went back and forth as both teams fought to break the other's serve and score, but the first part of game one ended with a final score of 16-25.

Caroline Jennings served first in the second game of the

match, which proved to be a close game for the first few minutes, with the Panthers ahead. Then the Bears took the ball and the score was tied at 3-3, and then the Panthers broke their serve and managed to pull ahead to 7-3.

The Bears took the ball again and the score crept back up to a tie at 7-7, and then pulled ahead to 7-11. The Panthers worked hard to catch up, and came close once again with a score of 10-11.

However, this time, the Bears stayed ahead and the final score was 14-25.

Coach Cathy Rogers said that she

had not played either of her star players in the first game. "It took everything I had to hold them out," she said, but she knew they would be needed for the second game against the older Lady Bears - the A Team that was comprised of mostly eighth graders.

When the second part of the double header was underway, the first match against the A Team Bears was closer, with the Lady Panthers either slightly ahead, not far behind, or tied as the score went back and forth in favor of first one team, then the other.

It was still a nail-biter with the score tied at 24-24. The fans cheered and shouted encouragement, but the Bears held the serve and scored again to make it 24-25, then cinched the win with another point and a final score of 24-26.

But there was still one more match to go.

The Bears served first and scored nine points; the Panthers then scored one. The Bears had the ball again for another long run until the score was 1-16.

At the 4-18 mark, Aubrey Day had a long unbroken serve that added 10 points to the Panthers' score, bringing them to within four points at 14-18.

However, the game ultimately went to the Bears with a final score of 15-25.

Rogers remained positive in spite of the double-header loss, as did many of the Lady Panthers. Additionally, Rogers noted that most of the girls had played the entire two hours, with only a brief respite between the two games, and she was very proud of how hard the Lady Panthers had fought in both games.

"These are two of the best losses I've ever had," she said. "They worked hard against a hard team."

ACA Runs Well At FSU

By Fran Hunt
Greene Publishing, Inc.

The Aucilla Christian Academy cross country teams competed in the FSU Invitational over the weekend, which is pre-state for varsity runners only, and the Warriors ran exceptionally well.

The boys finished 13th out of 24 teams, and some also set personal records.

Braden Mattingly passed one runner to finish 9th, with a time of 17:35.

Gatlin Nennstiel finished 11th with a time of 17:40.

Carson Nennstiel passed 10 runners to finish 79th, with a time of 19:28.

Nick Arceneaux was passed by five runners to finish 120th, with a time of 20:21, beating his personal record by 33 seconds.

Taylor Nugent was passed by 11 runners, to finish 125th, with a time of 20:30, beating his personal record by four seconds.

Zack Arceneaux passed four runners to finish 148th, with a time of 21:41.

Brandon Slaughter passed five runners to finish 158th, with a time of 22:00.

Chaz Hamilton passed 10 runners to

finish 159th, with a time of 22:04.

The girls finished 13th out of 16 teams.

Camryn Grant passed 16 runners to finish 57th, with a time of 23:37.

Hanna Searcy passed four runners to finish 58th, with a time of 23:37.

Taylor Copeland was passed by 10 runners to finish 86th, with a time of 24:37.

Abby Reams was passed by eight runners to finish 96th, with a time of 25:12, matching her personal record.

Grace Beshears was passed by three runners to finish 101st, with a time of 25:25.

Jessica Giddens was passed by three runners to finish 105th, with a time of 25:30.

Marley Restrepo passed four runners to finish 108th, with a time of 25:39, beating her personal record by one minute and 11 seconds.

Brittany Hughes finished 136th, with a time of 27:42.

The varsity runners will continue the season competing at the Districts in Tallahassee on October 24; the Regionals in Lake City on November 2; and the State Championship in Tallahassee, November 9.

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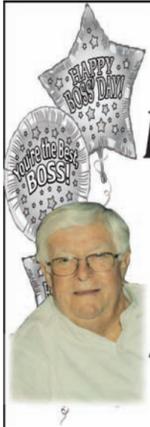
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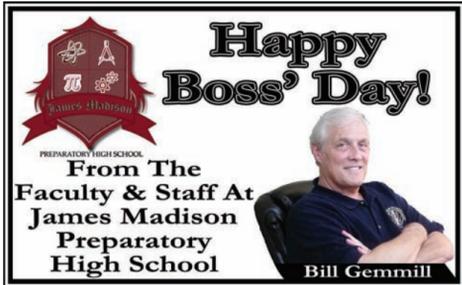
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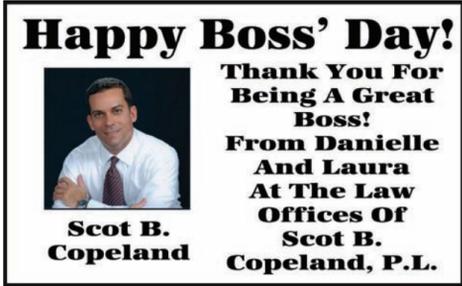
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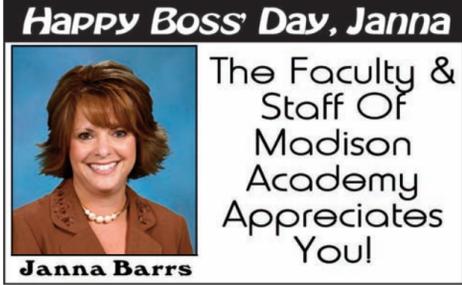
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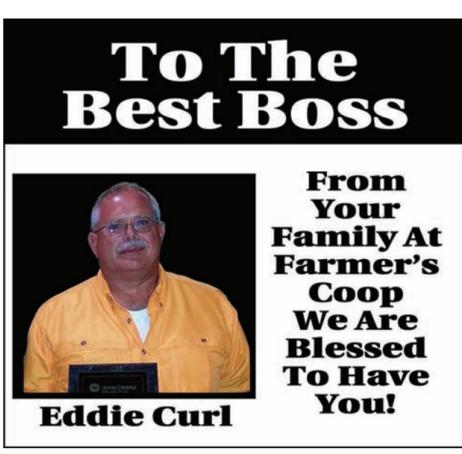
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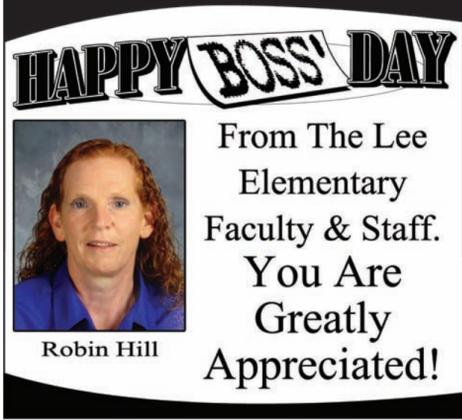
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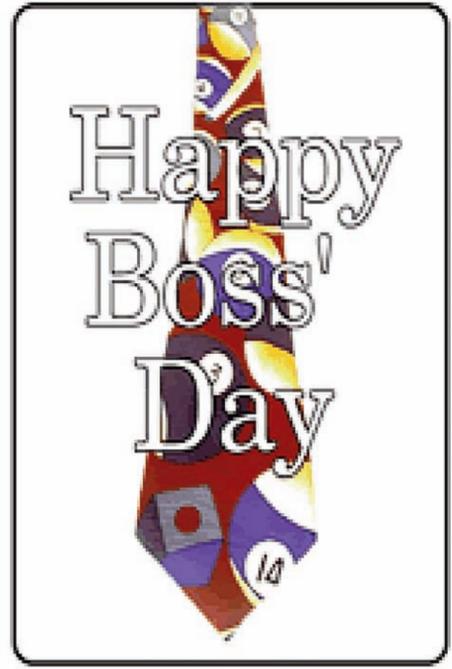


Here Are 25 Boss' Day Gift Ideas That Will Please Your Boss:



(Source: www.baudville.com)

1. Make your boss' favorite baked-good item - or pick it up from a bakery!
2. Get an item related to your boss' hobby, such as a new accessories or gift certificate to a specialty store.
3. Order a personalized gift with your boss' name engraved on it.
4. Take your boss out to lunch at his/her favorite restaurant.
5. A silver gift pen will help your boss exude style in his next meeting.
6. Bring in your boss' favorite coffee drink in the morning.
7. Give a stainless steel travel mug that will keep your boss' coffee hot and fresh.
8. Find a fun desktop toy that will help reduce stress.
9. Treat your boss to an ice cream cone after lunch.
10. Gift an engraved picture frame that can hold a personal photo.
11. Pick up a gift certificate to a favorite restaurant your boss can enjoy with a friend or spouse.
12. Bring your boss bagels or breakfast in the morning.
13. Choose a portfolio for your boss to carry to meetings.
14. Make a donation in your boss' name to her favorite charity or alma mater.
15. Collaborate with the team to create a gift basket full of treats and goodies your boss will enjoy, like small snacks, gum, magazines, or a book from a favorite author.
16. A desktop clock from the entire team will commemorate Boss' Day.
17. Pick out a silver or novelty business card holder from a gift shop.
18. Shop for a game or toy for your boss to enjoy with his or her family.
19. Does your boss usually pack her lunch? Treat her to a new lunch bag.
20. Select a perpetual calendar for your boss' desktop that promotes a leadership message.
21. Order tickets to a sports event, theatre performance, or concert.
22. Bring your boss a bouquet of flowers or a potted house plant.
23. Choose an inspirational gift book full of quotes and encouragement.
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Honor Your Boss On Boss' Day

By Jacob Bemby
Greene Publishing, Inc.

Honor your boss (or bosses) on National Boss' Day on Wednesday, Oct. 16. Registered with the U.S. Chamber of Commerce in 1958, National Boss' Day has become an annual tradition, which pays homage to those who are in supervisory roles or who are the owners of their own businesses.

Patricia Bays Haroski, who was working as a security

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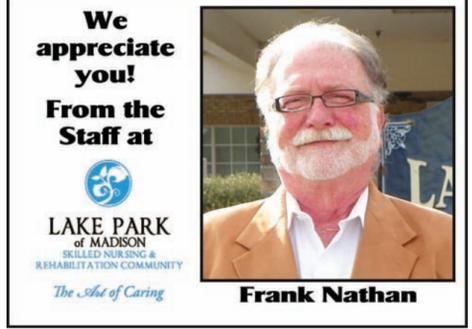


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Theodore Roosevelt
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 PROBATE DIVISION
 IN RE: ESTATE OF
 ELON E. CRYER,
 Deceased.
 File No.: 2013-92-CP
 Division PROBATE

10/16

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the Estate of **ELON E. CRYER**, deceased, whose date of death was August 14, 2013, is pending in the Circuit Court for Madison County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 125 SW Range Avenue, Madison, Florida 32340. The names and addresses of the Personal Representative and the Personal Representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's Estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 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.

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The date of first publication of this notice is October 9, 2013.

Attorney for Personal Representative: **Matthew C. Mitchell**
 MATTHEW C. MITCHELL
 Attorney for Personal Representative
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 Brannon, Brown, Haley & Bullock, P.A.
 P. O. Box 1029
 Lake City, FL 32056-1029
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10/9, 10/16

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of Certified Service and Repair located at 8061 N SR 53, Madison FL 32340, in the County of Madison, in the City of Madison, Florida Certified Towing, Inc intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida. Dated at Madison, Florida, this 7th day of October, 2013.
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR MADISON COUNTY, FLORIDA
 IN RE: FORFEITURE OF \$22,240.00 in United States Currency (MCSO Case No: 13-ICE-026)
 Case No: 2013-CA-279

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LEGAL NOTICE

Pursuant to Florida Statutes Section 932.704(6)(a), The Madison County Sheriff's Office has filed a forfeiture complaint in Madison County in the Third Judicial Circuit which is styled IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR MADISON COUNTY, FLORIDA, Case No: 13-279-CA. In RE: FORFEITURE OF CASH IN THE AMOUNT OF \$22,240.00 in United States Currency.

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PAULA M. SPARKMAN
 Attorney at Law
 FL BAR ID 0135925
 P. O. Box 247
 Monticello, Florida 32345
 Attorney for Plaintiff

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 IN RE: FORFEITURE OF \$40,950.00 in United States Currency (MCSO Case No: 13-ICE-024)
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 Attorney for Plaintiff

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that **ARTHUR G. OR FLORIDA SMITH**, 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: 09-1260-TD
 YEAR OF ISSUANCE: 2009
 NAME IN, WHICH ASSESSED: JOE A. MURPHY JR. & MAMIE L. MURPHY JOHNSON

PARCEL ID: 29-2N-10-6050-008-000

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: LOT 8
 A PORTION OF SECTION 29, TOWNSHIP 2 NORTH, RANGE 10 EAST, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCE AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 29; THENCE NORTH 00°00'00" EAST ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID SECTION 29 A DISTANCE OF 662.87 FEET TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LANDS DESCRIBED IN O.R. BOOK 407, PAGE 259, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF MADISON COUNTY, FLORIDA, SAID POINT BEING THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PARCEL; THENCE CONTINUE NORTH 00°00'00" EAST, ALONG SAID WEST LINE A DISTANCE OF 88.97 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89°40'09" EAST A DISTANCE OF 1039.22 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00°03'27" EAST A DISTANCE OF 752.80 FEET TO THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID SECTION 29; THENCE NORTH 89°37'01" WEST ALONG SAID SOUTH LINE A DISTANCE OF 449.95 FEET; THENCE NORTH 00°03'27" WEST A DISTANCE OF 663.41 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89°40'09" WEST A DISTANCE OF 589.37 FEET TO POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 8.98 ACRES, MORE OR LESS SAID LANDS SITUATE, LYING AND BEING IN MADISON COUNTY, FLORIDA.

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Dated this 1st day of October 2013.

TIM SANDERS
 CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
 MADISON COUNTY
 MADISON, FLORIDA

BY: /s/ Renata Keeling
 DEPUTY CLERK

10/9, 10/16, 10/23, 10/30

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO SELL

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:

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Jefferson County, Florida:
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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, 10/9/13, and 10/16/13.

Charlie Houder
 Director, Division of Land Resources
 Suwannee River Water Management District
 9225 CR 49
 Live Oak, Florida 32060
 (386) 362-1001

10/2, 10/9, 10/16

BID NOTICE

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

Furnishing all necessary materials, equipment, labor and supervision including maintenance of Traffic (MOT) to construct roadway improvements on a portion of NW Flowers Road including paving the section from existing pavement and continuing to, and including, the NW Ebenezer Church Road intersection for an approximate distance of 2.77 miles in Madison County, Florida. All improvements shall be in accordance with all plans and specifications to be provided. This project shall be known as NW Flowers Road Improvements Phase 2, Project Number FY 2014 - 01.

Bids may be submitted to the Board of County Commissioners by depositing same at the Board office located in Office 219 at the Madison County Courthouse Annex, 229 SW Pinckney Street, Madison, Florida 32340, or Post Office Box 539, Madison, Florida 32341 any time prior to 4:00 PM on Friday, November 1, 2013, ANY BIDS RECEIVED AFTER SUCH DATE AND TIME WILL NOT BE OPENED AND/OR CONSIDERED. Bids must be clearly marked on the outside of the front of the bid envelope as follows: **NW Flowers Road Improvements Phase 2, Project Number FY 2014 - 01.**

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

Please be advised that a **MANDATORY PRE-BID CONFERENCE** will be held on Tuesday, October 22, 2013 at 9:00 AM in the County Commission Meeting Room located in the Madison County Courthouse Annex Building, 229 SW Pinckney Street in Madison, Florida. BIDS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED FROM ANY BIDDER WHO IS NOT REPRESENTED AT THIS CONFERENCE.

Bid Specifications, as well as other pertinent documents, may be obtained from the Madison County Road Department office located at 2060 NE Rocky Ford Road (C-591), 2 miles north of Madison, telephone # 850-973-2156, beginning Monday, October 14, 2013. Each contractor interested in bidding these projects is strongly urged to obtain copies of the bid packages immediately in order to have time to review all information and visit the project location prior to the Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference.

Bids will be opened on Monday, November 4, 2013 at 9:00 AM in the Madison County Board of County Commissioners meeting room. Award by the Board of County Commissioners is scheduled for Wednesday, November 6, 2013.

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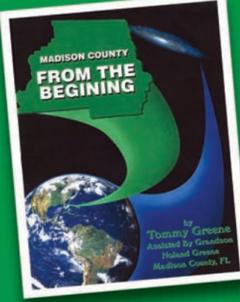
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OUTDOORS

Lovebugs Bug People

By Lynette Norris
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In addition to officially being Disaster Preparedness Month, September was also unofficially Lovebug Awareness Month. As in, for most of September, you couldn't help but be aware of the confounded things.

Speaking of such awareness, it seems that surely there must exist somewhere a list of bugs designed by a cartoonist and put together by a committee. If so, then love bugs have got to be somewhere near the top, alongside such freaks of nature as the bug-eyed (redundant, yes, but certainly apropos here) praying mantis with its bulbous eyes nearly as large as its head (the spitting image of Creature King...no, make that Zorak from the old Space Ghost cartoon) and its prayerfully folded front legs.

But let's get back to love bugs: Just look at them, all black except for that big red area that looks like the head, but is actually the top part of the thorax; a big, red, bulbous thorax, topped by a tiny, black, pinhead-sized head. Just look at all those frustrated motorists pulled in at gas stations, manhandling those squeegee/sponge-on-a-stick-thingies across their windshields like they're trying to scrape barnacles off the hulls of whaling ships.

Love bugs hook up on the fly, settle onto leaves or plants for a romp, then take off again, the larger female dragging the hapless, smaller male along for the ride. They stay hooked up for days, the male essentially being dragged along by his...uhm...well, never mind.

Whenever the flying hordes aren't covering light-colored or

freshly painted surfaces (things that they seem especially attracted to for some weird reason) they're drifting around in big clouds along the roadways, most of them united in post-coital bliss, sailing through the air happily ever af —

SPLAT!

For millions of loving bug couples, that is how the honeymoon ends, splattered all over the business end of a moving vehicle. If not promptly removed, they harden into something like granite — granite with raspy, papery wings sticking out everywhere, that is.

But for millions of other love bugs, they live to die another day. But first they have to lay about a quadrillion or more eggs, so the next generation can start the whole cycle all over again.

Adding to their cartoonish image, urban legend has it that lovebugs were A) created, B) genetically altered, or C) both, by scientists in a laboratory at the University of Florida, after which they either A) escaped, or B) were intentionally released on an unsuspecting populace. (*Mwah-ha-ha-ha-ha!*)

Seriously, though, where do they come from?

Love bugs, or *plecia nearctica*, are members of the family of flies that includes march flies, black flies, gnats and even mosquitoes; however, unlike some of their biting, stinging cousins, love bugs are incapable of biting or stinging, relying mostly on the horrible, acidic taste of their body fluids to deter predators. Unfortunate folks who have ever had love bugs accidentally fly into their mouths can attest to this. In the pest category, they are "nuisance pests" like their gnat cousins; not dangerous



per se, but certainly extremely annoying.

They aren't known to carry any diseases or bacteria, and because their young larval forms feed off thatch and leaf litter in grassy, weedy areas where there is sufficient moisture, aiding in the decomposition of organic matter in landscapes, they are actually beneficial in a small way. Larval love bugs are sometimes found in compost heaps. Later, more mature larval bugs feed on nectar.

Some of the wild ideas about their origins may be due to the fact that they are rarely seen in the larval form, or if people see them, they don't know they're looking at Stage 2 love bugs. They just know that love bugs suddenly appear in swarms twice a year, in the spring and again in the late summer to early fall.

Love bugs were first noted and described in 1940 by American entomologist D.E. Hardy in Galveston, Texas. They are believed to have come up from Mexico and Central America. At that time, love bugs were already reported to be widespread, but they were most heavily concentrated in Texas and neighboring Louisiana. However, by the end of the 20th

century, they had migrated heavily to all the states bordering the Gulf of Mexico, as well as Georgia and South Carolina. Some of the reasons for their rapid spread may have been cattle transports, natural migrations, prevailing wind patterns (love bugs are not strong flyers and can be carried quite some distance on winds) and transportation of sod and other plant products.

Because of the temperate climate in the Southeast, love bugs are able to breed in two cycles per year, with one generation emerging in April-May, and another in August-September. Further south, in areas of Central and South Florida, there may be a third generation emerging in December.

Since they're not a health hazard, and seem unaffected by most insecticides, the most efficacious

course is in learning to manage them. They do have some natural enemies such as spiders and centipedes, and some bird species such as robins or quail don't seem to mind the bad tasting bugs. If they are a problem for outdoor activities, they can be driven back with fans. Screens can keep them out of houses and other indoor spaces.

The most prevalent problem, however, is their fatal attraction to roadways and their propensity to end up as unwanted hood ornaments (and grille ornaments and windshield ornaments). The bugs seem to be attracted to diesel and exhaust fumes for some strange reason, which is why so many of them hang out at gas stations and swarm along highways.

If you drive every day, finding time to get them off your car before they dry can be a

challenge. Most people don't have time to wash their cars every day, so car wash operations sometimes see a three-fold spike in business during love bug season.

Once the bugs have dried, it's an even more time-consuming headache, but it's not impossible. Most people have their own preferred method of removal, but using an emulsifying car wash product made specifically for bug removal should work for almost anybody; emulsifiers soften up the dried bugs so they can be washed off. Read and follow the directions carefully. Some people swear by used or unused Bounce dryer sheets. Others advise keeping your car heavily waxed during the love bug season.

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