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**Becky's Dancing Elves Wrapping Presents In The Park**



Got a lot of presents to wrap and very little time to wrap them? Take a breather, go to the park and let the Dancing Elves from Becky's Dance Steps Studio take care of it for you, while you wait...or drop everything off, go run errands and pick it all up later.

The Dance Competition Team at Becky's Dance Steps Studio will be at the gazebo in Four Freedoms Park, starting Friday, Dec. 20, wrapping presents for donations, from 1 p.m.

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**Man Critically Injured**

By Jacob Bemby  
Greene Publishing, Inc.

A man was critically injured in an automobile accident on Interstate 10 near the 241-mile marker on Sunday, Dec. 15.

According to a Florida Highway Patrol report, George Allen Kratzer, 61, of Ocala, was traveling westbound in the inside lane on I-10 when he lost control of his 2007 Pontiac Solstice, causing it to rotate clockwise while crossing the outside lane, exit the ramp and the emergency lane.

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**City's Sanitation Ordinance Could Be Amended**

By Jacob Bemby  
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At their Tuesday, Dec. 10, meeting, City Manager Tim Bennett told the Madison City Commission that he would present a rough-draft amendment to the City's sanitation ordinance at the January 2014 meeting.

The amendment would address the disposal of large non-household garbage and yard debris.

Bennett said he would also present a public information plan so that the citizens can be aware of the or

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**Lee Woman Arrested For Child Abuse And Cooking Meth**



Kim Anderson

Madison County Sheriff Ben Stewart reports that on Thursday night, Dec. 12, at approximately 9:38 p.m., Madison County Sheriff's Office deputies were dispatched to 4750 CR 255 South in Lee to respond to a complaint

of a domestic dispute. During the course of the investigation, deputies discovered an active meth lab inside the residence. The residence was deemed unsafe and evacuated. Due to the size of the lab; Investigators with the Hamilton

County Sheriff's Office Drug Task Force, who are specially trained in meth lab dismantling, were called to assist the Madison County Sheriff's Office investigator. Once the lab was safely dismantled, a disposal response team from Jacksonville re-

sponded to assist with the lab clean up. Kim Anderson, 45, of Lee was arrested and charged with manufacturing methamphetamine, possession of methamphetamine, possession of drug paraphernalia, battery and child abuse.

**Former FMB Employee In Need**



By Debbie Snapp  
Greene Publishing, Inc.

Randi Lynn Brannan Goff, former assistant branch manager for Farmers & Merchants Bank in Greenville, needs help from her neighbors and friends. She is just 28 years old, and has been a role model to so many. She has also provided customer

service to many people in Greenville, and in the surrounding counties. Randi has spina bifida. She was born with it in 1985 and has undergone several spinal surgeries through her years and has recuperated without many complications. But, after a spinal surgery on March 11, she was left

paralyzed, and with severe nerve damage. The hope was that she would improve, but the doctors are now saying that this may be a long-term healing process due to the lack of nerve regeneration. This ending result has left her with no job and no health insurance. She had been working for the State of Florida. Her husband, Troy Goff, has health insurance; however, it only pays 50 percent of her medical costs.

Spina bifida is a type of birth defect. It is a problem with how the spine and spinal cord develops. It can begin to develop in a fetus before the mother even knows she is pregnant. In some cases, structures that should be inside the spinal canal can slip out. The structures affected may include membranes that surround the spinal cord, or nerve roots that connect nerves to the spinal cord, and the spinal cord or vertebra (back bones) may be deformed. The cause of Spina bifida is not known. There is a strong genetic factor for some with spina bifida. This means there

is a problem with the body's blueprint. Randi just recently went through a Neuro Stimulator and is a candidate for the equipment. The equipment will have to be implanted into her spine. The cost for this equipment is \$40,000. Her medical treatment is a must, and she has lots of co-payments; and then there's medications needed on a regular basis because of severe nerve pain.

Her family is asking for the communities to come together to help their loved one with her needs. A benefit account has been established for her much needed financial help at the Farmers and Merchants Bank. Donations may also be posted to: 1175 East Washington Street, Monticello, FL. 32344. Randi Lynn Brannan Goff needs your help and continued support; anything would be greatly appreciated. Randi and her family thank you in advance for whatever help you can provide. For more information contact her mother, Bonnie Brannan, at 850-322-2212.

**Man Arrested After Complaint About Minor Receiving Sexually Explicit Material**



James Tuten

Madison County Sheriff Ben Stewart reports that on Tuesday, Nov. 26, the Sheriff's Office received a complaint involving a minor female receiving sexually explicit material on her cell phone from a possible adult male suspect.

Special agents with the Florida Department of Law Enforcement Live Oak Field Office assisted the Madison County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigative Division with the investigation. The investigation determined the suspect was in fact an adult over the age of eighteen (18).

See *Man Arrested On Page 3A*

**Beautiful Rainbow Appears Over Madison Sky**



Greene Publishing, Inc. Photo By Lynette Norris December 12, 2013

As a storm cloud approached Madison just before noon last Tuesday, a shot of sun through the clouds made a rainbow over Madison for a few minutes. Because of the sun's low angle in the December sky, the rainbow appeared in the north, as seen here from SR 53 at the intersection of SW Harvey Greene Drive, looking north.

**Cherry Lake Church To Hold Christmas Dinner**

By Jacob Bemby  
Greene Publishing, Inc.

Mount Zion A.M.E. Church, located at 407 NE Mount Zion Church Avenue, will host the second annual Hanson, Pinetta and Cherry Lake Christmas Community Outreach Dinner on Saturday, Dec. 21, from 12:30-3:30 p.m.

Everyone is asked to join them as they enjoy fellowship together, greet friends and loved ones while they share a Christmas meal. There is no charge. Bring friends!

Mount Zion A.M.E. also asks that all community churches donate desserts. They also ask that all items be brought to the church no later than 8:45 a.m. the day of the dinner.

The church will be See *Christmas Dinner On Page 3A*

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**Local Weather**

<p><b>Wed 12/18</b> 68/41</p> <p>Sunny. Highs in the upper 60s and lows in the low 40s.</p>	<p><b>Thu 12/19</b> 71/52</p> <p>More sun than clouds. Highs in the low 70s and lows in the low 50s.</p>	<p><b>Fri 12/20</b> 77/60</p> <p>Mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the upper 70s and lows in the low 60s.</p>	<p><b>Sat 12/21</b> 79/65</p> <p>Clouds giving way to sun. Highs in the upper 70s and lows in the mid 60s.</p>
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# VIEWPOINTS & OPINIONS

## National Security

### MRFF



**Joe Boyles**  
Guest Columnist

There is an organization that pops up every now and then to defend religious freedom in the military ... or so it claims. The acronym MRFF stands for Military Religious Freedom Foundation and is the brainchild of Mikey Weinstein, a lawyer and 1977 graduate of the Air Force Academy.

MRFF and Mr. Weinstein seem to be against all things Christian in the military. Most recently, they objected to a Nativity scene constructed at Shaw Air Force Base, South Carolina by volunteers. Apparently, the scene, highly appropriate for the season, was quickly pulled down. Weinstein seems to have that effect on the military, particularly his (and my) alma mater.

There seem to be more stories like this because it is the Christmas season where we celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ. Don't tell me there isn't a 'war on Christmas.'

MRFF's website is very professional and like many, highly geared to financial contributions. I'm told that they rake in more than a half million dollars a year. Five staff members are listed, two of which are Weinstein and his wife.

The avenue to litigation for organizations like MRFF is a 1962 Supreme Court decision that codified the "wall of separation between church

and state." Over time, for all intents and purposes, religious expression has been banned from the public square.

Of course, that's not how the First Amendment to the Constitution begins. It states, "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion or prohibiting the free exercise thereof." Note it makes no mention of a wall of separation. That statement came in an 1802 letter from our third President, Thomas Jefferson, to the Baptists of Danbury, Conn.

The clear intent of our Constitutional framers was to prohibit a "state religion" such as England's and many other nations around the world at that time. America was founded on the principle of religious freedom, but the modern interpretation is 'freedom from religion.' I do not believe this has made us a better or stronger society.

Most of us support the freedom to express our religious beliefs in an appropriate manner, but we don't consider Satan an object of worship. A small minority object and often get officials and judges to support their position. This represents, in my opinion, a tyranny of the minority. America is a nation under God's protection and guidance, founded upon Judeo-Christian values and principles. We believe our heritage when we allow a few to turn us away from our roots.

I'm glad that I live in a community where religion plays a respected and important role. Yes, I am a Christian to the core, but I believe that non-Christians should have equal access to be able to express their religious beliefs. I truly embrace the second clause in the first amendment that no one should be denied the freedom to express their religious beliefs. How often this is over-

## Emerald's Gem Box

### Do You Have The True Christmas Spirit? Or Are You Full Of Greed?



**Emerald Greene**  
Publisher

Christmas time is supposed to be a time for reflecting in Christ's love and a time for giving to others.

Why is it then that so many people have lost that spirit and have replaced it with such greed and selfishness?

My frustrations began months ago when I heard the first "I know what I want you to give me for Christmas." Had it been a child, that would have been one thing; but, it was an adult. (Still a child in many aspects, but an adult nonetheless.) Yet still, this was an item that she could buy herself, if she wouldn't spend her money on the frivolous things that I know she buys. I have also listened carefully to others' words and thoughts, for the last few

months/weeks/days, and it has left me feeling a little hopeless about the Christmas Spirit of most folks.

So please, during these last seven days before Christmas please keep an eye on your Christmas Spirit and see where it truly lies. Are you more excited about giving something special to a loved one or do you spend your time wondering what others are going to give you? Do you spend your time planning for a special Christmas Day or spend your time dropping subtle hints about things you need and want, so that others will go buy it for you?

Make Christmas be about Jesus and His birth and His love for all of us. Make Christmas be about family, friends and fellowship. Make Christmas be about showing love and giving to others out of love and kindness. Furthermore, teach your children these same aspects; for what they learn now will follow them into adulthood.

Merry Christmas to all of our faithful readers. May God bless each and every one of you!

Until then...see you around the town.

## Searching For Ambrosia

### Becoming Friendly With Turnips



**Rose Klein**  
Columnist

Turnips seem to be one of those vegetables that you either love or hate; it's a vegetable with hardly any shades of gray. I like turnips, but never seem to eat a lot of them. What I remember mostly about eating turnips, are the greens. My mom would cook them down in a big pot that was accompanied by a generous supply of some fatty pork meat and they would be served alongside a cast iron skillet of homemade cornbread. I can't remember the cooked turnips showing up on the table very often, but I have a feeling they did and I just didn't like the turnips well enough for them to make an impression upon me.

Cooking as an adult, I have tried turnips in a variety of ways. I have added them to the greens while they cooked, mashed them in potatoes with butter, added them into a soup and eaten young turnips raw in a salad. I liked the turnips in the different ways I had eaten them, but never seemed to find enough reason to revisit any of the dishes.

A few days ago, my mother and I stopped on the side of a road where a man was selling large bundles of fresh turnips from the back of his truck. After purchasing a large bunch, my mom generously gave me the greens to cook and kept the roots for herself.

The next day when she was over for dinner, she brought me some of the turnip roots. I held them several days, pondering over how I would cook them. Not finding any inspiration, I turned to the large recipe index on the Internet. I finally found something that piqued my interest and after a few tweaks, found a turnip recipe that I would call a "keeper." The recipe is extremely simple and uses everyday ingredients, which is a bonus, and very versatile. I used only turnips since that was the original recipe, but I think a combination of root vegetables, to accompany the turnips, would be outstanding. My sister will be in at the end of this week and I plan on making the recipe for her, using not only the turnips but sweet potatoes and beets as well. You could add onion, carrots or parsnips too.

If you haven't been friendly with turnips, you might give this recipe a try. Have fun with whatever root vegetables you happen to have and like me, you may find yourself planning to cook with the "forgotten" vegetable a little bit more.

**CARMELIZED TURNIPS**  
3 c. turnips, peeled and diced  
1/2 c. chicken or vegetable stock  
1 tsp. salt  
1/4 tsp. black pepper  
1 tbs. butter  
2 tbs. sugar

Place turnips, stock, salt and pepper in a medium skillet over medium heat. When mixture boils, reduce heat and simmer uncovered until turnips are tender and liquid is evaporated, about 10 to 15 minutes. Add butter and sugar and gently stir. Cook until butter and sugar melts and forms a coating over the turnips, about five minutes. Serve hot.

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World News  
By Rose Klein

## Elves

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until dark, roughly about 5:30 p.m.  
And then, they'll be back Saturday, Sunday and Monday, Dec. 21-23, again from 1 p.m. until 5:30-ish.  
Bring your presents to the Gazebo and enjoy cookies, hot chocolate and music while you relax and wait, or wander around the park and admire the decorations.  
The Dance Competition Team is raising funds to travel to competitions in Jacksonville and Mobile, Ala., and hopefully even the nationals at Myrtle Beach, S.C.  
Donations in any amount will be appreciated.

## Amended

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dinance requirements.  
In other business, the Commission approved the first reading of the Water Conservation Ordinance (Ordinance 2013-6) and Bennett said he would bring the names of potential nominees to the Police Pension Board to the Commission.

## Christmas Dinner

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gin fixing dinners to deliver to community residents at 9:15 a.m. Walk-ins are welcome from 12:30-3:30 p.m.  
Anyone who is interested in helping with this community event is welcome to go serve with them.  
If anyone is in need of transportation to go and fellowship at the church or if they are sick or shut-in and need a meal delivered to them, they are asked to please call Brother Johnnie Woods at (850) 929-4141.  
Mount Zion is asking that community residents who will be delivering meals to others to please have their list ready at the time they pick up the meals.  
If anyone has any further questions, please call Savilla Murphy at (850) 929-4386.

## Christmas Toy Giveaway Hosted By Boothill MC

By Rose Klein  
Greene Publishing, Inc.  
Boothill Motorcycle club is a not-for-profit organization that provides service to the community by hosting projects within Madison County for families and individuals in need. The Christmas Toy Giveaway follows their recent gifts of Thanksgiving dinner baskets to families throughout the

county.  
Boothill will be hosting two toy giveaways this Saturday, Dec. 21. The first giveaway will be in Greenville at Haffeye Park between 10 a.m.-noon. The second giveaway will be in Madison at Sumpter A. James Park between 12:30-2 p.m. Two toys will be provided per child, ages one through twelve, while supplies last.

## Critical

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While rotating clockwise, the Pontiac then traveled onto the north shoulder of the roadway. After leaving the roadway, the left rear of the vehicle collided with a large tree.  
The impact caused the vehicle to rotate counterclockwise and come to a final rest in a ditch filled with water.  
The Madison County Sheriff's Office, Greenville Volunteer Fire Department and Madison County EMS assisted at the scene.  
FHP Trooper Warren Tyre was the investigating officer.

## Man Arrested

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On Tuesday, Dec. 10, a probable cause affidavit was presented to the Circuit Court of the Third Judicial Court, in and for Madison County Florida and an Arrest Warrant for one James Bryant Tuten was obtained and executed on the same day without further incident.  
Tuten, 24, of Greenville, was charged with transmission of material harmful to a minor by electronic device or equipment and traveling to meet a minor.

## What The Sons Of The American Legion And The American Legion Auxiliary Do

Submitted by Dwight Barber, American Legion Post 224

The nation's largest wartime veteran's service organization, committed to our communities, advocating patriotism and honor, promoting strong national security, and continued devotion to our fellow service members and veterans.  
Founded in 1932, Sons of The American Legion exists to honor the service and sacrifice of Legionnaires. SAL members include males of all ages whose parents or grandparents served in the U.S. military and were eligible for American Legion membership. Since 1988, SAL has raised more than \$5 million for The Amer-

ican Legion Child Welfare Foundation. SAL members have volunteered over 250,000 hours at veteran's hospitals and raised over \$915,688 for VA hospitals and homes.  
The American Legion Auxiliary is the world's largest women's patriotic service organization. Any mother, wife, daughter, sister, granddaughter, great-granddaughter, or grandmother of members of The American Legion, and deceased veterans who served during wartime are eligible to join. While originally organized to assist The American Legion, the Auxiliary has achieved its own unique identity working side-by-side with veterans who belong to The

American Legion.  
Members of The American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary and Sons of The American Legion comprise the Legion family, which has a combined membership of nearly 4.2 million.  
American legion Post 224 is a very active service organization right here in Madison County. Located in northern Madison County on beautiful Cherry Lake, we exist to promote patriotism within this community. If you employ the same beliefs, you are encouraged to join our post. We are having a membership drive on Dec. 28, come join us. For more information you can call the Post at 929-2953 or Dwight Barber at 929-4908.

## Christmas Tree Sparks Family Fight

In Spartanburg, S.C., three female relatives were involved in a family fight that required authorities to make a trip to their home. The Spartanburg County Sheriff's office said the three women, ages 76, 61 and 24 were arguing because two of the women had decorated their Christmas tree while the third woman was at work. During the fight, a 41-year-old male relative arrived and tried to calm the women down but instead all four family members "admitted to pushing each other and getting in each other's faces." The fight produced no injuries but the 76-year-old woman was examined due to her concern about her blood pressure. After police arrived, the family members apologized to each other. No arrests were made.

## Man Steals Money And Leaves IOU

In Yiwn, China, police arrested a man known as Peng, and charged him with stealing about \$3,270 from a stranger's home and leaving an IOU. Peng's parents contacted him and requested money so they could buy a house. He arranged to borrow money from a man in a nearby village but accidentally went to the wrong home. Peng took the money from the house and left his name, address and cellphone number on an IOU. When arrested, Peng told the police he didn't think he had broken any laws because he had left the IOU.

## Rude Customers Pay More For Coffee At Cafe

In Southern France, a café charges customers more for their cup of java if they are rude. La Petite Syrah alerts customers on their menu board that by ordering "a coffee" their cost will be about \$9.50, if they order "a coffee please" they will pay \$6 and if they order a "Hello, a coffee please" it will cost them only \$2, creating a substantial incentive to be nice. Manager Fabrice Pepino said the sign started as a joke because people would come in at lunchtime very stressed and would sometimes be rude; the posting was a way to tell them to keep calm. Pepino said his customers took note of the sign and he hasn't had to enforce his pricing system. "Most of my customers are regulars and they just see the funny side and exaggerate their politeness," he said. "They started calling me 'your greatness' when they saw the sign. But people are more relaxed now and they're smiling more. That's the most important thing."

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## Obituary

### Clifford Elvoye Williams

Clifford Elvoye Williams was children and eleven grandchild-called home to be with the dren. He will be truly missed. Lord on December 11, 2013. He was born in Pavo, Ga. on June 7, 1944 and moved with his parents, Johnnie Jarmon Williams and Agnes Phillips Williams, to Lee shortly after his birth.



After being discharged from the military, he married Nina Bemby (currently Nina Dodd). He was a loving father and grandfather to their three children and eleven grandchildren. Later, he remarried and had stepchildren and step-grandchildren. His current wife, Janice, and her family will hold a private memorial service. In lieu of flowers please send donations to Marine Toys for Tots Foundation, Gift Processing Administrator, 18251 Quantico Gateway Drive, Triangle, VA 22172.

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### December 18

The First Baptist Church of Madison will go caroling at 6 p.m. Prayer meeting for those not caroling at 6:30 p.m. at the church.

### December 18

Madison's historic St. Mary's Episcopal Church will host an Ordination and Celebration of New Ministry on Wednesday, Dec. 18 at 6 p.m. The Right Reverend John Howard, 8<sup>th</sup> Bishop of the Diocese of Florida, will officiate at the service and install David Joseph Boyles as priest and vicar of St. Mary's. This is St. Mary's first ordination since Advent 1992. A reception will follow. The public is cordially invited to attend and participate in this important event in the life of St. Mary's.

### December 21

Mt. Zion A.M.E. Church, 407 NE Mt. Zion Church Avenue in Cherry Lake, will hold a Hanson, Pinetta and Cherry Lake Community Christmas Outreach

Dinner on Saturday, Dec. 21, from 12:30-3:30 p.m. Meals will be delivered to community residents beginning at 9:30 a.m. Anyone interested in helping with the event is welcome to go serve with them. Anyone needing transported to the church or who is sick or shut-in can call Brother Johnnie Woods at (850) 929-4141. For more information, please call Savilla Murphy at (850) 929-4386.

### December 21

Live Nativity from 5-7 p.m. at the First Baptist Church of Madison. Please join them in the church parking lot as they go back in time to the village of Bethlehem and what the first Christmas might have looked like.

### December 21

"A Hallelujah Christmas" at Lee Town Hall on Saturday, Dec. 21, beginning at 6 p.m. to raise money for the Salvation Army. Featured artists include Mortal Mission and MJB. George Blevins,

with the Salvation Army, will speak. Jacob Bemby will serve as emcee.

### December 22

Children's pageant under the direction of Martha Beggs and Martha Register, 11 a.m., at the First Baptist Church in Madison.

### December 22

Midway Baptist Church will present their Christmas cantata, *Glory to the Newborn King*, on Sunday, Dec. 22, at 6 p.m. Midway Baptist Church is located at 338 SE Midway Church Road.

### December 22

Midway Church of God will present their children's Christmas play on Sunday, December 22, at 6 p.m. Everyone is invited. Midway Church of God is located at 2849 SE Midway Church Road in Lee.

### December 24

Christmas Eve candlelight service and Lord's Supper in the 1898 Sanctuary at the First Baptist Church in Madison.



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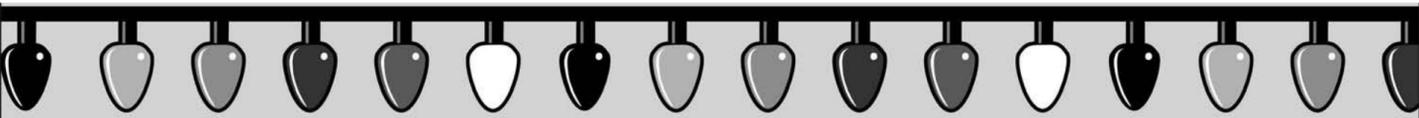
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# AROUND MADISON COUNTY

## Sheriff's Office And Family Celebrate Christmas

By Jacob Bembry  
Greene Publishing, Inc.  
The Madison County Sheriff's Office celebrated Christmas with their families at Jellystone Park on Thursday evening, Dec. 12.

Everyone enjoyed a special meal and the children got a chance to visit with Santa.



Photo by RUSSELL

Lucas Bass enjoys talking with Santa during the Christmas party.



Photo by RUSSELL

Parker Gilbert chats with Santa Claus at the MCSO Christmas party held Thursday, Dec. 12, at Jellystone Park.



Photo by RUSSELL

Will Bass gives Santa his Christmas list at the Christmas party.



Photo by RUSSELL

The Harper family enjoyed the fun, food and fellowship at the Christmas party held at Jellystone Park.

## Letter To The Editor

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

### Concerned About The Abuses Of The Federal Government

Dear Editor,  
I am concerned about the abuses of the federal government, are you? The government regulates things they have no business controlling, there's a massive imbalance between federal and state power, and the spending and debt is out of control.

But there's hope! For the first time in many years, the people and states have a chance to check the runaway train of the federal government.

Article V of the Constitution provides a way for the states to call a convention for the purpose of proposing amendments to the Constitution. Mark Levin has explained the Convention of States process in his bestselling book *The Liberty Amendments*, and now there's an organization that can turn an Article V Convention of States into a reality.

Citizens for Self-Governance (CSG) recently launched the Convention of States (COS) Project with the expressed purpose of urging and empowering state legislators to call a Convention of States. Under the COS Project plan, this convention would be called "for the purpose of limiting the power and jurisdiction of the federal government." Only amendments that fall under this category would be germane and up for debate.

I wholeheartedly support the COS Project's plan, and I hope you will as well.

I believe a Convention of States is our last chance to halt the runaway power of the federal government and restore the Founder's vision. This will be the most important project of this generation, and I hope you'll consider getting involved!

This past Saturday (December 7) there was an assembly of 32 states in Mt. Vernon, Virginia to discuss this very issue. Florida State Senator Alan Hays was in attendance and was very encouraged. Florida Legislators will be asked to consider SM 476: Amendments to the Constitution of the United States. You can view its progress here: <http://flsenate.gov/Session/Bill/2014/0476>

If you'd like more information, you can talk to me or visit their website at [www.conventionofstates.com](http://www.conventionofstates.com).

Sincerely,  
Judy Hentges,  
Patriot

*When in the Course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another, and to assume among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the Laws of Nature and of Nature's God entitle them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation. ~ Thomas Jefferson, The Declaration of Independence, July 4, 1776 and the other 55 signers*



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# AROUND MADISON COUNTY

## 4H Sewing Class Celebrates Christmas

By Lynette Norris  
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Miss Dolly Ballard's 4H sewing class, which meets every Friday after school at the County Extension Office, has been learning to sew everything from quilt squares to simple pieces of clothing; but with Christmas coming up, they took a little break from sewing at their Dec. 6 class meeting. Some of their regular members were absent, but that didn't stop those who were there from having a blast, as they decorated the Extension Office's Christmas tree with ornaments they had made, learned how to make even more Christmas ornaments from construction paper and glitter, and enjoyed cupcakes and ice cream.



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Trimming a tree is serious business, requiring proper equipment, so the kids brought out the ladder and got right to it, singing "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer" while they worked. Left to right: Erik Wolfer, Violet Waller (partially hidden behind Nadia), Nadia Waller and Olivia Graham.



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Deck the halls...or at least the tree in the hall. Pictured counterclockwise, Erik Wolfer, Nadia Waller, Violet Waller and Olivia Graham hold up some of the hand-sewn ornaments made in Miss Dolly's sewing class.



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Cupcakes and ice cream, anyone? Taking a break after the tree-trimming, Erik Wolfer, Nadia Waller, Olivia Graham, Violet Waller and future 4H-er, two-year-old Aria Johnson, enjoy the Christmas treats Miss Dolly served.



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Pinetta Elementary teacher and former 4H leader Heather Johnson stopped in for a visit with her two daughters, future 4H-ers Aiden (four) and Aria (two). Here, she helps Aiden frost a cupcake with green icing.

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Nadia Waller (center) demonstrates making ornaments from construction paper and glitter, something she learned at school. Gathered around watching are (counterclockwise from left) Dolly Ballard, Olivia Graham, Violet Waller and County Extension Agent Diann Douglas, holding a finished ornament in her hand.



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Voila! Holding their finished construction paper ornaments are (first row) Nadia and Violet Waller and (second row) Erik Wolfer and Olivia Graham.



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# OUTDOORS

## SRWMD Assists 12 Area Farmers With Water-Saving Technologies

**T**welve agricultural producers within the Suwannee River Water Management District (District) have been approved to receive cost-share funds from the District to implement water conservation technologies, irrigation retrofits, and other water-saving projects. These projects will reduce groundwater irrigation pumpage in the Santa Fe Basin by 0.57 million gallons of water per day (gpd) and

reduce pumpage in the Suwannee Basin by 0.39 million gpd.

The producers received a total of \$186,100 in cost-share funds for the improvements. The District set aside \$1.5 million for the program this fiscal year and this marks the first round of those funds.

The funds will pay for the following cost-share projects:

- Twenty-two retrofits to center pivot irrigation systems to water more efficiently.

- One Global Positioning System (GPS) end-gun shut off, which is designed to eliminate watering of non-target areas.

- Four new irrigation controller panels that provide greater efficiencies in irrigation and nutrient application, among other capabilities.

- One pump upgrade, which will provide greater irrigation efficiency.

"The District is pleased to assist agricultural producers in

reducing groundwater pumping, and would like to congratulate participating farmers for their interest in improving sustainability and obtaining better practices and technologies to protect our water resources," said District Executive Director Ann Shortelle.

This is the second year the District is offering the cost-share program. To date, 89 agricultural producers have benefited from the program, which has resulted in a re-

duction in groundwater pumping by about 6.2 million gallons per day.

Agricultural producers within the District have until Jan. 10, 2014 to apply for cost-share funds for the next funding cycle. Funds will be awarded through a ranking process based on various criteria, including the effectiveness of the proposed project to protect, conserve, or restore water resources. The funds will pay for projects that in-

crease irrigation efficiency and water conservation and assist with nutrient management technology.

Interested parties may apply online through the District's Agriculture webpage at [www.mysuwanneeriver.com/agriculture](http://www.mysuwanneeriver.com/agriculture) or apply in person at District Headquarters, 9225 CR 49, Live Oak FL 32060.

For more information, contact Kevin Wright at (386) 362-1001 or toll free at 1 (800) 226-1066 (FL only).

## Second Chance Gets Deer



**M**arty Lookabill took a deer down in the woods on Saturday, Dec. 7. He said that he missed the first shot and the deer just stood there, while he chambered another round. The next shot was accurate. "The Lord wanted me to have this deer," Lookabill said.

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# CHRISTMAS GIFT IDEAS

## Dreaming Of A Safe Christmas

By Lynette Norris  
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It's the Christmas season, that most wonderful time of the year, when we're all in a state of good cheer and ready to celebrate. But before everyone gets too caught up in the celebrating, there's something else to consider: Identity thieves never take a rest, and the holiday season is a most wonderful time of year for them as well.

They come like the Grinch, in the night and in broad daylight, to steal Christmas, but instead of taking the presents and the tree, they're after the smart phones, iPads, checkbooks, thumb drives and financial documents, as well as the usual purses and wallets.

Consider the average Christmas party. Many people celebrate the holidays by having parties large and small in their homes, never imagining that one of their friends or acquaintances might be after personal financial information. In this state of denial, party hosts might think nothing of simply closing the door to the home office or den without locking away the bills lying on the desk, and might not even notice the credit card statement on the nightstand where a curious visitor might detour on the way to the bathroom.

It's hard to admit that someone we know might be such a low-life, but in a high-tech, electronic data-driven society, locking away all electronic devices, including cell phones, iPads, thumb drives and all financial documents and bills before inviting people into our homes for holiday gatherings is a sine qua non. Electronic devices and financial documents are the purses and wallets of an electronic world. With just a few pieces of information, an acquaintance could rob their host blind with a few taps on a keyboard.

It seems out of character with the Christmas season, but assume the worst and gather up all your devices and documents and lock them away until the party's over. Then you can relax and have a great time with your guests without worrying.

What about all those nifty presents you ordered online or from the traditional mail order catalogues for family and friends? They arrive via Fed Ex and UPS while you're out, and sit on your doorstep, out in the open, for hours until you get home.

Package deliveries are way up during the holiday season, and thieves know this. They're cruising the neighborhoods on the lookout for them. Not only do they love getting their hands on the goodies inside, but the shipping labels on these packages often contain valuable information that can help them help themselves to even more.

The solution is to have your packages shipped to your work address if this is okay with your employer. That way, there will always be someone available during the day to receive the items, even if you're not immediately available. If your work address is not an option, get a P.O. box for the holidays, or have the item shipped "signature required" so that the box can't just be dropped off unless someone is there to sign for it.

Of course, most people have known about safeguarding their mail-order packages for years, but now, pay attention to those shipping labels, too.

Keep them in a safe place until you're sure the item is satisfactory and won't need to be returned; then, destroy the labels - don't just toss them out in the trash where dumpster divers can find them.

Shopping at the mall is a part of nearly everyone's holiday experience and smart shoppers already know about not leaving valuables in their car in plain sight, and keeping their purses and wallets closely guarded, but during the holidays, identity thieves are looking for much more.

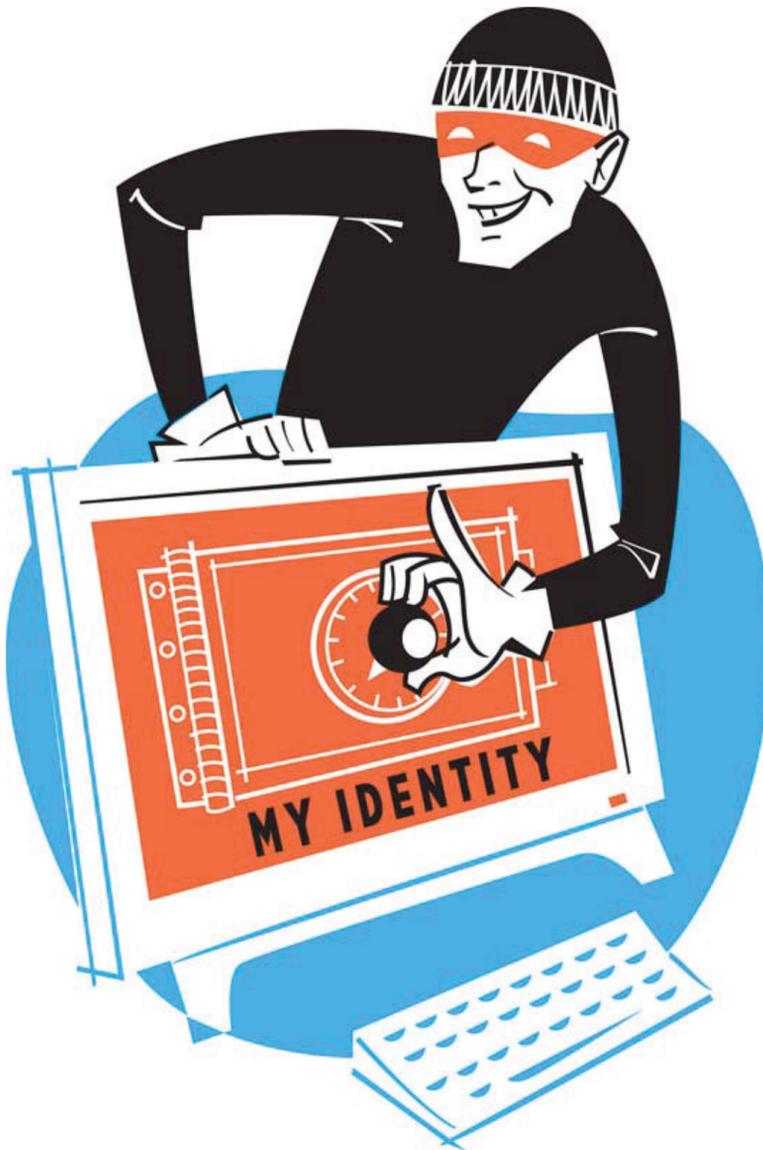
They're looking to hack into your online accounts while you enjoy the free Wifi at Starbucks or try to see what numbers you enter on the keypad when you use your debit card. They're looking for forgotten electronic gadgets left behind in cafes and on counters during the holiday rush.

Before you go out to the mall, lighten your electronic load. Carry only your mobile phone and one or two credit cards with you. Leave all your other electronic data storing devices safely at home and locked away. If you must carry other devices with you, log out of all your online accounts before you go shopping and keep your purse zipped and your wallet tucked into an inside pocket. Keeping everything in pockets is better than in a purse, and pass on the wifi hot spots; thieves are drawn to those like moths to a flame. Do your online business in the privacy of your own home and make sure your phone, iPad and laptop are all password protected in case they are lost or stolen. If you use a

debit card, cover the keypad with one hand while you punch in your PIN number.

Remember that in today's world, it isn't just physical objects that can be stolen. It's our personal information and financial data, and that's what data thieves are mainly after. If they get their hands on it, they can not only ruin Christmas, they make your life a nightmare for a very long time. The average identity theft case takes three years or longer to resolve.

Stay safe, stay alert, and have a wonderful holiday season.





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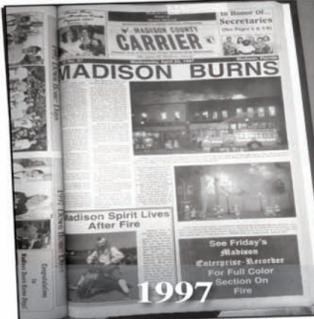


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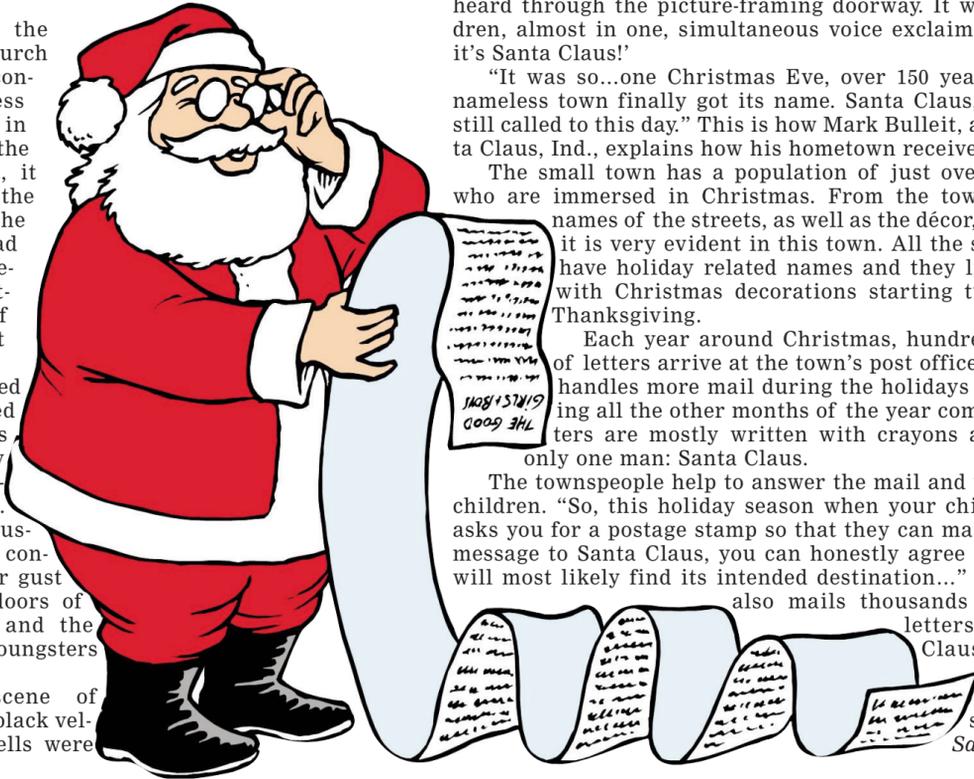
## The Town Of Santa Claus

By Alfa Hunt

“It was 1852 and the Christmas Eve church service had just concluded in the ‘Nameless Town’ of Spencer County in Southern Indiana. Since the whole town was present, it was a good time to hold the final town meeting of the year. The small town had been known as the ‘Nameless Town’ because settlers, who were mostly of German decent, could not decide on a name.

“Everyone was gathered around the pot-bellied stove, including the town’s children who were mostly quiet and not participating in the town’s meeting. As the frustrating discussion of naming the town continued, a chilly December gust blew open the wooden doors of this small log church, and the adults fell silent as the youngsters came to life.

With a magical scene of snowflakes glistening on black velvet, mysterious sleigh bells were



heard through the picture-framing doorway. It was then the children, almost in one, simultaneous voice exclaimed, ‘Santa Claus, it’s Santa Claus!’

“It was so...one Christmas Eve, over 150 years ago, the little nameless town finally got its name. Santa Claus, Indiana as it is still called to this day.” This is how Mark Bulleit, a resident of Santa Claus, Ind., explains how his hometown received its name.

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By Rose Klein  
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unique as the person you're giving it to. Pick something from the list below or let it inspire you and create your own gift "outside the box."

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mow lawn, shovel snow, organize a home office, organize closets, dog wash, grocery shop or run errands for someone unable to get out, pressure wash the outside of someone's home, offer dog walking services, offer to do laundry or ironing for a specified amount of time, mend clothes and sew on buttons on all clothes in someone's closet, give someone a hair cut (or pay

for one).

**Gifts that cost little or nothing:** prepare home-cooked dinners for a specified time, give a homemade cake/cookies/candy, give a gardener some plant cuttings or seedlings in some repainted pots, create an indoor herb garden for an avid cook, make homemade pet treats, make homemade spa items (such as a sugar or salt scrub), make a picture album and include written memories beside the pictures, use old clothes or pieces of scrap fabric to create unique pillows or purses, create a family cookbook, create a calendar using family photos, make bookmarks out of fabric pieces and old jewelry, paint a room (or two), a bouquet of flowers from your yard inside one of the many vases you have with some pretty ribbon tied around it, pass down an heirloom early so you can see the recipient actually enjoying the gift.

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## “Christmas In The Park,” Madison Academy Style



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The second grade sings “Let There Be Peace on Earth.”

By Lynette Norris  
Greene Publishing,  
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Once again, Van H. Priest Auditorium was packed to overflowing for Madison Academy’s annual Christmas program of skits and musical numbers. This year, with “Christmas in the Park,” the students delivered again, with warmth and charm.

The loose framework story, told in a series of short skits between musical numbers, concerns a difference of opinion among the town’s leading citizens as to how Four Freedoms Park should be decorated. Both sides conduct campaigns to win over votes from the citizens, only to discover in the end that Christmas isn’t about the decorations in the park downtown, but about a child in a manger in another small town.

Merry Christmas from Madison Academy.



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The sixth grade performs an interpretative dance to “We Are the Reason.”



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Danica Cook and Charlie Blanton are looking for some votes for their team.

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It’s beginning to look a lot like Christmas to the third grade class.



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The first graders just want their two front teeth.



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Mrs. Rose Bush (Kaylie Rogers), Mrs. Inda Pendance, (Kali Lancaster), Judge Noah D. Law (Bailey Browning) and Mayor Bill Loney (Skyler Dunn) ponder the Christmas decorating dilemma.



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“Joy to the World” from the fourth graders.



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Who’s “The Happiest Little Christmas Tree” in the 5K class?

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The file(s) pertaining to the project referred above is available for inspection Monday through Friday except for legal holidays, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., at the Suwannee River Water Management District, 9225 CR 49, Live Oak, FL 32060.

### NOTICE OF RIGHTS

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## Sudoku Puzzle Of The Day

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BANK OF AMERICA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
PHILLIP D. HOLBROOK; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF PHILLIP D. HOLBROOK; MICHELLE R. HOLBROOK; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF MICHELLE R. HOLBROOK; UNKNOWN TENANT #1; UNKNOWN TENANT #2,  
Defendant(s)

CASE NO. 40-2012-CA-000245-CAAX-MX

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Section:

US BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE HOLDERS OF THE BANC OF AMERICA FUNDING CORPORATION, 2008-F11 TRUST, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2008-F11  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
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Defendant(s)

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order of Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated November 26, 2013 entered in Civil Case No. 40-2012-CA-000311 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 2 day of December, 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:

LOT 26, BLOCK "A", OF HILL TOP ACRES, A SUBDIVISION AS PER PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE(S) "11", OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF MADISON COUNTY, FLORIDA

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

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Dated at MADISON, Florida this 2 day of December 2013.

Tim Sanders  
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
Madison County, Florida  
By *Karolena Dickerson, DC*  
Deputy Clerk

12/11, 12/18

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

CASE NO.: 2013-CA-310

**IN RE: FORFEITURE OF \$17,005.00 in United States Currency. (MCSO Case No.: 13-ICE-033)**

**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: 2013-CA-310. IN RE: FORFEITURE OF CASH IN THE AMOUNT OF \$17,005.00 in United States Currency.

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

CASE NO. 2013-CA-276

OLD BLUE SPRINGS, LLC, a Florida Limited Liability Company,  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
CRAIG A. GRANT, GARY CONLEY, MADISON BLUE, INC., a Florida Corporation, et al,  
Defendants.

**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure dated November 26, 2013 in the above referenced case in which OLD BLUE SPRINGS, LLC, a Florida Limited Liability Company, is Plaintiff, and CRAIG A. GRANT, GARY CONLEY, MADISON BLUE, INC., a Florida Corporation; unknown tenants; and other unknown parties in possession, including the unknown spouse of any person in possession of the property, and if a named Defendant is deceased, the surviving spouse, heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors, and all other parties claiming by, through, under or against that Defendant, and all claimants, persons or parties, natural or corporate, or whose exact legal status is unknown, claiming under any of the named or described Defendants, are Defendants, I, TIM SANDERS, Clerk of the Court, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the front door of the Madison County Courthouse or such other location in the Madison County Courthouse in Madison, Florida, as I as the Clerk of the Court may designate at the time of sale, at 11:00 o'clock A. M. on the 1 day of January, 2014, the following described property set forth in the Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure:

Lot 15

A parcel of land lying in Section 15, Township 1 South, Range 10 East, Madison County, Florida and being more particularly described as follows: commence at the Northeast corner of said Section 15, and run South 89 degrees 50 minutes 37 seconds West, a distance of 30.77 feet to the South maintained right of way of benchmark drive; thence South 89 degrees 00 minutes 11 seconds West along said right of way, a distance of 388.15 feet, thence South 89 degrees 11 minutes 21 seconds West along said right of way, a distance of 309.44 feet; thence South 89 degrees 16 minutes 40 seconds West along said right of way, a distance of 311.25 feet; thence South 89 degrees 39 minutes 59 seconds West along said right of way, a distance of 683.21 feet to the Point of Beginning, from said Point of Beginning, and leaving said right of way, run South 00 degrees 30 minutes 21 seconds East, a distance of 699.50 feet; thence North 89 degrees 42 minutes 55 seconds East, a distance of 311.99 feet; thence South 00 degrees 30 minutes 21 seconds East, a distance of 577.95 feet; thence South 89 degrees 57 minutes 55 seconds West, a distance of 342.00 feet, thence North 00 degrees 39 minutes 21 seconds West, a distance of 1,275.93 feet to the South maintained right of way of benchmark drive; thence North 89 degrees 39 minutes 59 seconds East along said right of way, a distance of 30.00 feet to the Point of Beginning containing 5.01 acres, more or less.

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WITNESS my hand and the official seal of said Court, this 4 day of December, 2013, at Madison, Madison County, Florida.

HONORABLE TIM SANDERS  
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NOTICE: The District School Board of Madison County, Florida, will hold a public hearing on Tuesday January 21, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting will be held in the School Board Meeting Room of the Superintendent's Office 210 N.E. Duval Avenue, Madison, FL.

Revision to: Policy 4.032 Section 504/ADA Prohibition against Discrimination Based on Disability

The proposed document may be viewed at the School Board Office, 210 NE Duval Ave, Madison, Florida.  
Statutory Authority: 120.54, 1001.43 FS.  
IF A PERSON DECIDES TO APPEAL ANY DECISION MADE BY THE BOARD, WITH RESPECT TO ANY MATTER CONSIDERED AT THIS MEETING OR HEARING, HE/SHE WILL NEED A RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS, AND FOR SUCH PURPOSE, HE/SHE MAY NEED TO ENSURE THAT A VERBATIM RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS IS MADE, WHICH RECORD INCLUDES THE TESTIMONY AND EVIDENCE UPON WHICH THE APPEAL IS TO BE BASED.

12/18

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

CASE NO. 13CA283

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, acting through the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, f/a Farmers Home Administration, a/k/a Rural Housing Service,  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
TRAVIS PROCTOR, et al.,  
Defendants.

**NOTICE OF ACTION**

STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF MADISON

TO: TRAVIS PROCTOR, heir and lineal descendant of DARLENE MICHELLE PROCTOR, Deceased; TELVIN CHAMPMAN, heir and lineal descendant of DARLENE MICHELLE PROCTOR, Deceased; and Any and all unknown minors, heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, trustees, or other claimants claiming by, through, under or against the Estate of DARLENE MICHELLE PROCTOR, Deceased; whose addresses are unknown.

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage regarding the following property in MADISON County, Florida:

A parcel of land in the Southwest Quarter of Southeast Quarter of Section 2, Township 2 North, Range 9 East, Madison County, Florida, being more particularly described as follows:

Commence at the Southwest corner of said Southwest Quarter of Southeast Quarter of Section 2 and run North 1153.82 feet to the North line of the South 17.5 chains of Southwest Quarter of Southeast Quarter of Section 2; thence South 88°23'25" East along said North line 1109.10 feet to the approximate centerline of a County graded public road; thence South 26°58'42" West (Base Bearing) along said centerline 256.48 feet to the Northeast corner and Point of Beginning of the herein described parcel; thence continue South 26°58'42" West along said centerline 100.00 feet; thence leaving said County road North 88°21'21" West 460.53 feet; thence North 01°38'39" East 90.38 feet to the South line of the North 9.20 acres of the South 17.5 chains of said Southwest Quarter of Southeast Quarter; thence South 88°21'21" East along said South line 503.32 feet to the Point of Beginning, containing 1.00 acre, more or less. Subject to the County public road on East side and existing public utilities

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on: FREDERICK J. MURPHY, JR., Esquire, Attorney for Plaintiff, Boswell & Dunlap LLP, 245 South Central Avenue, Post Office Drawer 30, Bartow, FL 33831, within thirty (30) days after the first publication of this Notice of Action, and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter, otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint or Petition.

DATED on this 4 day of Dec, 2013.

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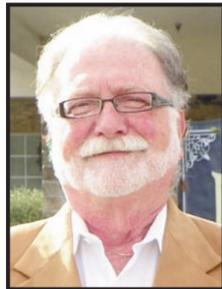
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# HEALTH

## Health & Wellness Tips



**Frank Nathan**  
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Colon cancer, also known as colorectal cancer, is the second leading cause of cancer deaths in both men and women. According to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), 53,196 Americans died from colon cancer. The disease affects slightly more men than women, and risk increases with age.

Excluding very rare types, colon cancer develops in the cells lining the inside of the colon and/or rectum. The colon, or large intestine, is a curving structure that continues the digestion of food from the small intestine and carries it down to the rectum for elimination. While there is no specific cause of colon cancer, certain factors can increase risk of developing the disease. These factors include genetics, diet and health. Individuals with a family history of colon cancer, especially if more than one relative has had the disease, are at increased risk. Also, two

genetic syndromes, known as familial adenomatous polyposis and Lynch syndrome, have been associated with colon cancer.

A diet rich in fat and red meat may increase disease risk. In addition, heavy alcohol use as well as smoking may contribute to a colon cancer diagnosis. Health factors such as obesity, diabetes and lack of exercise are associated with increased risk. Moreover, inflammatory disease such as ulcerative colitis can increase the likelihood of developing colon cancer.

These risk factors, however, do not guarantee a diagnosis of colon cancer. As with many cancers, colon cancer develops from the complex interplay of many factors, and no two individuals are the same.

Symptoms that may indicate the presence of cancer cells in the colon or rectum include blood in bowel movements, weight loss, stomach pains, and constipation or diarrhea. Often, individuals will not experience any symptoms of colon cancer until it has become advanced. For this reason, the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force recommends that all individuals ages 50 to 75 undergo routine screening.

### Did You Know...

Colon cancer screening tests may include an at-home stool test, called high-sensitivity fecal occult blood testing (FOBT); flexible sigmoidoscopy (Flex Sig); and colonoscopy. Flex Sig and colonoscopy exams are performed by a physician. They involve the insertion of a thin tube into the rectum and/or colon to check for cancerous tissue.

Screening exams are so effective that undertaking these tests could prevent sixty percent of colon cancer deaths, according to CDC estimates.

Colon polyps are small growths on the inside lining of the colon or rectum. Most colon cancers begin as polyps.

If a diagnosis of colon cancer is made, treatment is determined by the stage of the disease. In other words, earlier stages in which the cancer is small and localized may require less intervention. Typically, surgery can effectively remove small tumors and chemotherapy is prescribed to kill any remaining cells. Chemotherapy drugs commonly used for colon cancer include irinotecan, oxaliplatin, capecitabine and 5-fluorouracil.

More advanced cancers in which the disease has metastasized, or spread,

throughout larger areas of the colon or to other parts of the body may require removal of whole sections of the large intestine. Often, the remaining colon can be reconnected to the rectum, but if the cancer has also infected the rectum, a colostomy may be needed. In this procedure, a surgeon creates an opening in the abdomen and attaches a colostomy 'bag.' Waste collects in the bag instead of passing through the rectum. Chemotherapy and radiation are then prescribed to kill remaining cancer cells, and control as much as possible the spread of the disease.

Although there is no scientific evidence to show that alternative treatments can treat or cure colon cancer, certain therapies can improve the quality of life of cancer patients. Activities such as art, dance and music can shift focus away from the disease and the treatment process, and help reduce stress. In addition, exercise and meditation can improve mood and appetite. Support groups are also a helpful resource for coping with colon cancer. Information on local groups can be found through organizations including the Colon Cancer Alliance, Cancer Care and the American Cancer Society.

## How Medicare Covers Alzheimer's Disease

*Dear Savvy Senior, What all does Medicare cover when it comes to Alzheimer's disease? My wife was recently diagnosed with early stage Alzheimer's and I would like to find out what's covered and what's not. Researching Spouse*

Dear Spouse, Most medical costs to treat beneficiaries with Alzheimer's disease are covered by Medicare, but unfortunately long-term custodial care costs that most patients eventually need are not. Here's a breakdown of what Medicare does and doesn't cover when it comes to Alzheimer's disease, along with some tips that can help you plan ahead.

**Medical care:** For the most part, ongoing medical care to diagnose and treat Alzheimer's disease is covered by Medicare Part B, including visits to primary care doctors and specialists, lab tests, speech and occupational therapy, home health care and outpatient counseling services. Medicare pays 80 percent of these costs, and you will be responsible for the remaining 20 percent after you've met your annual \$147 Part B deductible.

Inpatient hospital care is also covered under Medicare Part A with a \$1,216 deductible and coinsurance. And, as part of health care reform, Medicare is also covering 100 percent of annual wellness visits, which includes testing for cognitive impairment.

**Medications:** Most Alzheimer's medications

are covered under Medicare's Part D prescription drug plans, but plans vary on copayments. If you have a Part D plan, use the Medicare Plan Finder tool at [medicare.gov/find-a-plan](http://medicare.gov/find-a-plan) to compare your plan's total drug costs against other plans to be sure you're getting the best coverage. The Alzheimer's Association offers a chart on coverage for common Alzheimer's drugs - go to [alz.org](http://alz.org) and type "drug chart" in the search field to find it.

**Long-term custodial care:** Many seniors are surprised to learn that Medicare does not cover long-term custodial care. This includes nursing home care, the costs of assisted living facilities and adult day care. Medicare does, however, pay for some shorter-term nursing home care, but only up to 100 days following a three-day inpatient hospital stay.

Hiring home help for bathing, toileting and dressing (this is known as custodial care) is not covered by Medicare either unless your wife is also receiving skilled-nursing care or physical or occupational therapy to help with the recovery from an illness or injury.

To help with these costs, you may want to consider a long-term care insurance policy. Or if your income and assets are very limited, you may qualify for Medicaid. See [longtermcare.gov](http://longtermcare.gov) for a breakdown of long-term care planning options.

**Hospice:** In the final stages of the disease, Medicare Part A covers nearly all aspects of hos-

pice care, including doctor services, nursing care, drugs, medical equipment and supplies, physical and occupational therapy, homemaker services, counseling and respite care. To qualify, a doctor must certify that a patient has six months or less to live.

**Other Insurance:** If you don't have a Medigap (Medicare supplemental insurance) policy, you should consider getting one. A Medigap plan will help pay for things that aren't covered by Medicare like copayments, coinsurance and deductibles. To search for plans in your area, visit [medicare.gov](http://medicare.gov) and click on "Supplements & Other Insurance" or call Medicare at 800-633-4227 and ask them to mail you a free copy of the "Choosing a Medigap Policy" publication 02110.

Or, if you're enrolled in a Medicare Advantage plan (like an HMO or PPO), your plan must give you at least the same coverage as original Medicare does, but make sure your doctors are in your insurer's network to avoid excess costs. Also find out whether you need a referral or prior authorization before getting care.

**Financial Assistance:**

If you can't afford your Medicare out-of-pocket costs, or need help with medication expenses, there are government programs that can help. Go to [benefitscheckup.org](http://benefitscheckup.org) to search, or contact your Eldercare Locator (800-677-1116) who can refer you to local services to assist you.

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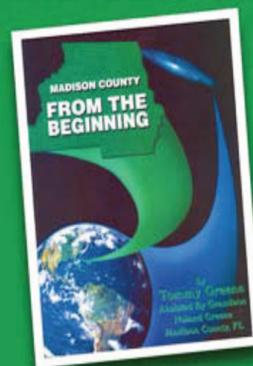


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For the longest time I thought a “Hail Mary” was a desperate, last-ditch throw at the end of a football game; a frantic attempt to win at the final second. Having been raised in one of the more contrary factions of Protestantism, you can’t blame me. I was taught to avoid Catholicism with the same amount of fierceness as avoiding card-playing and dancing. They were all equal spawns of the same Satan, or so I was instructed.

Well, all these years later, I haven’t picked up the habit of praying the Rosary, but I have come to appreciate it. And I understand why some believers find the “Hail Mary,” or Ave Maria, so gripping. “Hail Mary, full of grace. Our Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus,” comes straight from the Christmas text of Luke. It is Gabriel’s announcement that Mary will give birth to the Christ child, the Son of God.

There are plenty of “divine births” in religious literature. God (or the gods) comes down from heaven, assumes physical form, has intercourse with some fair maiden, and the resulting pregnancy is a

mix of the human and divine – demigods – we call them. This is a common narrative, and is especially true of the Greeks.

Greek mythology is filled with tales of classic heroes who claimed paternity from the gods, but were birthed by human mothers (Theseus, Perseus, and Heracles to name a few). In most cases the divine father is Zeus who was nothing short of a cosmic philanderer with children scattered all over the Mediterranean and Mount Olympus.

This is not the nature of Mary’s pregnancy. What happens with her is unique in literature and in religion. That God’s spirit would come upon her – reminiscent of God’s Spirit moving across the waters in the primal act of creation – is a Jewish concept with its own flavor. And it has given Christianity the virgin birth.

Yet, Luke puts little emphasis on Mary’s celibacy, hardly any at all. Luke’s emphasis is on Mary’s compliance to God’s will. Mary’s response to her miraculous motherhood is profound; it is an act of complete surrender, as she says to Gabriel, “I am God’s slave. Let it be done to me according to your word.” Let it be. Now, where have we heard those words before?

The song “Let it Be” might be Paul McCartney’s finest work. He wrote at a difficult time: The Beatles were on the skids, individually they were suffering from their success, and Paul was a mess. He was lost, drunk, and confused. He began to feel this wrenching misery, longing for the comfort of

his mother – her name was Mary – who had died when he was fourteen.

It was during this time that Paul’s mother came to him in a dream, he says. And she said to him, most supportive, “Paul, let it be.” McCartney awoke, went to the piano, and wrote the now classic song: “When I find myself in times of trouble, Mother Mary comes to me; Speaking words of wisdom, let it be...There will be an answer, let it be.”

When Mary – the mother of Jesus, not the mother of Paul – said, “Let it be,” she wasn’t despairing of life. She was willingly receiving the way of God for her life. She was admitting that her designs for living would be set aside so that God’s design for her life would come to fruition in and through her.

Hers, like Paul’s, was a song of surrender, not of apathy or hopelessness. It was a song of submission to a higher and better way. Now, this sounds like losing, like we are giving up, but we lose nothing. We gain everything.

By accepting how the world actually is, accepting who we really are, and accepting what God wants for us, we move forward with peace. We collapse into the strength and will of the Almighty. “Let it be.” To confess such a thing is to indeed be full of grace.

Ronnie McBayer is a syndicated columnist, pastor, and author. His newest book is “The Gospel According to Waffle House.” You can read more at [www.ronniemcbrayer.me](http://www.ronniemcbrayer.me).

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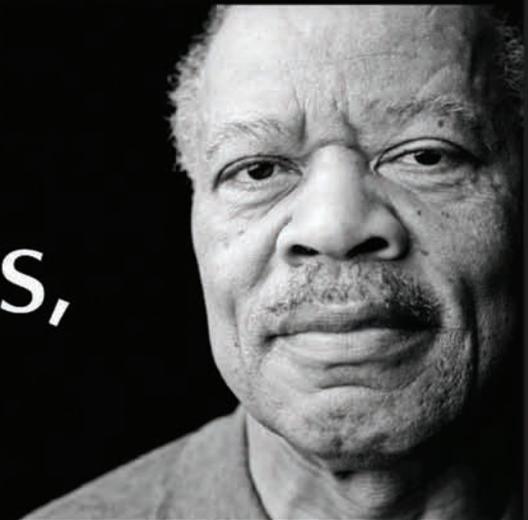
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# Cherry Lake Church To Hold Christmas Dinner

By Jacob Bembry  
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Mount Zion A.M.E. Church, located at 407 NE Mount Zion Church Avenue, will host the second annual Hanson, Pinetta and Cherry Lake Christmas Community Outreach Dinner on Saturday, Dec. 21, from 12:30-3:30 p.m.

Everyone is asked to join them as they enjoy fellowship together, greet friends and loved ones while they share a Christmas meal. There is no charge. Bring friends!

Mount Zion A.M.E. also asks that all community churches donate desserts. They also ask that all items be brought to the church no later than 8:45 a.m. the day of the dinner.

The church will begin fixing dinners to deliver to community residents at 9:15 a.m. Walk-ins are welcome from 12:30-3:30 p.m.

Anyone who is interested in helping with this community event is welcome to go serve with them.

If anyone is in need

of transportation to go and fellowship at the church or if they are sick or shut-in and need a meal delivered to them, they are asked to please call Brother Johnnie Woods at (850) 929-4141.

Mount Zion is asking that community residents who will be delivering meals to others to please have their list ready at the time they pick up the meals.

If anyone has any further questions, please call Savilla Murphy at (850) 929-4386.

# “A Hallelujah Christmas” To Benefit Salvation Army

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“A Hallelujah Christmas” will be held as musicians Mortal Mission, Marvv Truth and MJB ring in Christmas week with their musical stylings on Saturday evening, Dec. 21, beginning at 6 p.m. The concert will be held at the Town Hall Pavilion in Lee.

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# The Pulpit

By Rev. Lee FerDon, United Methodist Church

## Love

On a Christmas several years ago I received as a gift a very nice terrycloth bathrobe. I was pleased to receive it for I had often wanted one. I looked for the size of the bathrobe and discovered that it said, "one size fits all." Well those of you who know me are already grinning from ear-to-ear. There was no way that I was ever going to fit into a bathrobe that claims to fit "all." Bathrobes must necessarily come in different sizes; I ended up exchanging my gift for a size "ye gads!"

Words are a lot like that too. We in the English-speaking world often use words that are "one size fits all." I'm thinking especially of the word "love."

We love a lot of things. We love our families, we love to fish, we love onion rings, and we love certain programs on television. This "one size fits all" over-usage of the word "love" often has little real meaning on the subject of our affections. In fact it could even have a deleterious effect on our relationships.

Most men, for example, tend to shy away from the word "love." Oh, we're not afraid of affection and devotion to another, but somehow declaring "love" somehow gets in the way of our real emotions.

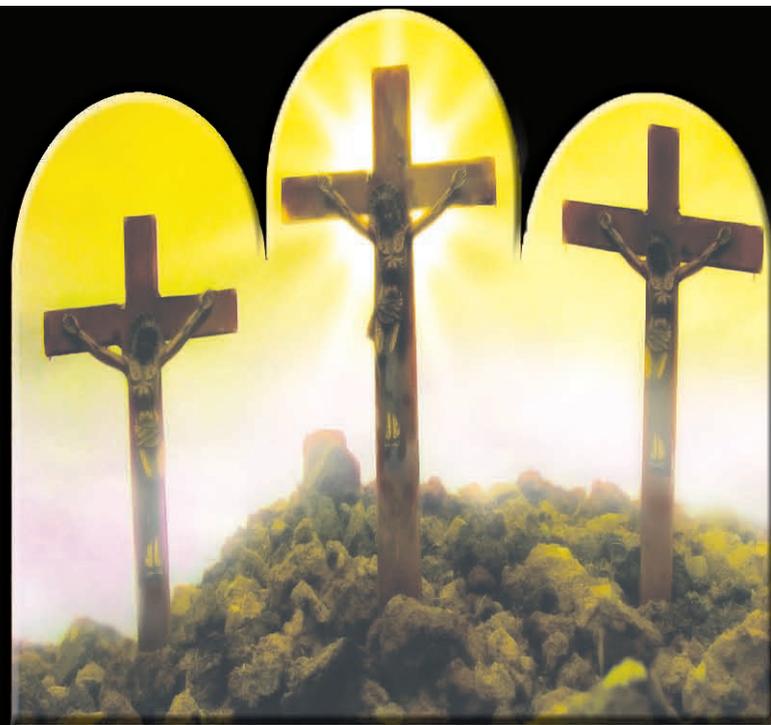
"Love" connotes a warm, squishy and fuzzy feeling that is dif-

ficult for most men to conjure. We prefer words that are more concrete and words that are less apt to be misconstrued. As an example, it has become fashionable these days for a man to tell another man that "I love you, man." Most of us are still uncomfortable with that one. That one comes attached to male purses and earrings.

"Love" is used a lot in the church too. We hear of God's love and we learn that we are to love one another even as God has loved us. And here's the point I want to make: A lot of men hear these words and there's a disconnect with the meaning. A man going around "loving" everyone in the modern sense of the word would soon find himself on the-outside-looking-in, so to speak. We need a clearer understanding of the word "love" if most men are going to live out the Gospel in their lives.

God's love for us could be better understood if we talked of God's mercy and grace. It's through mercy and grace that God's love is manifested toward us. We who are sinners yet claim the hope of true peace and joy through Jesus Christ are standing in the middle of God's mercy and grace.

What of our Lord's admonition that we are "to love one  
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# The Pulpit

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another.” We cannot extend much mercy to others; most of us are not in a position to do so. If I were standing before my good friend Judge Wetzel Blair I would be hoping and praying for mercy, but most of us are in no position to offer mercy to anyone.

What about peace? If we were able to offer peace to the world we wouldn't have our children in harm's way in the Middle East and Korea. If our forefathers knew how to do “peace” there wouldn't have been two World wars in the 20th Century and 12-million innocent dead in Europe during Hitler's regime.

Perhaps our love for one another could best be described by the words “justice and charity.” By justice I mean that we treat each other the way Jesus commanded us to. “Do unto others as you would have others do unto you.” Feed the poor, clothe the naked, and provide shelter for the homeless. The word charity means sharing our gifts with others. We can offer warmth and affection. We can extend hope and joy to others. Opening our homes to others is great but opening our arms to others is the greatest gift we can give.

Jesus said, “As you have done unto the least of these—you have done unto me.” 2014 will be a new year for every one of us. It hasn't yet been marred by evil. Let us love one another, even as God has loved us.

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