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Skipper, Lancaster Crowned



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New royalty was crowned last Saturday, April 5 at the Miss Madison County Pageant. Pictured from left to right are: Ashley Skipper, Miss Madison County 2014 and Kali Lancaster, Teen Miss Madison County 2014.

Bank of America Closing Its Madison Location: ATM Will Remain

By Lynette Norris Greene Publishing, Inc.

Bank of America's Madison location will be closing its doors July 18, 2014, primarily due to a decline in physical transactions at the bank building itself, according to spokesperson Matthew Daily of Bank of America.

"We thought a lot about this and gave it careful consideration," said Daily, adding that the decline was mainly due to customers relying more and more on alternate methods of banking, using online banking services, ATMs, and even taking pictures from remote locations, meaning that there was less and less of a need for them to come to an actual building to do their banking.

People are simply using other ways to bank as technology has opened up several convenient

alternatives to the traditional bank building with tellers, and made a lot of things possible that weren't on the horizon 20, 15 or even 10 years ago.

"We see the same kind of trend in other places," said Daily, but not all places are equally affected by the decline in foot traffic. When customer use of a building declines past the point that it becomes questionable that keeping it open is a responsible business decision, then that location is usually closed, as was the case with Madison.

On April 4, Bank of America sent out letters to all the customers of that location to give them ample time to locate the next closest BOA (in Live Oak), and to let them know that even after the building itself closes its doors in July, the ATM will remain there for quite some time. In fact, it will remain there and be operational until the replacement ATM is

Bank of America



Sex Offender Relocates



Steve D. Salsgiver

Submitted by the Madison County Sheriff's Office

Madison County Sheriff Ben Stewart reports a Sexual Offender Change of Address:

Steve D. Salsgiver is a 39-year-old white male with brown hair and blue eyes, 5'6 and 200 pounds. Salsgiver was previously residing at 3746 East US 90, Madison, Florida and has now relocated to 7482 SE Farm Road, Lee, Florida.

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6¢ Local Option Gas Tax Is In Effect

By Lynette Norris Greene Publishing, Inc.

Madison County's current six-cent local option gasoline sales tax, in effect since Jan. 1, 2014, consists of a five-cent tax and a one-cent tax passed by ordinance a few months earlier at a County Commission meeting Sept. 18, 2013, after a public hearing where only one individual addressed the board, expressing concern that Madison County was "maxing

out" its fuel tax options, asking if the tax could wait.

The ordinances had first been discussed at the Sept. 4 meeting, when County Attorney Tommy Reeves advised the commission that if they wished to consider the ordinances, they would have to be advertised in the newspaper and open to a public hearing at the next regular meeting, (Sept. 18). The ordinances had to be voted on and passed by Oct. 1 in order to take effect by the target

date of Jan. 1.

Both ordinances are similar, using local option sales tax on motor fuel (excluding diesel), in order to generate revenue for improvement of the county's road system. The main difference is that proceeds from the one-cent tax do not have to be divided with the municipalities in Madison County, while the proceeds of the five-cent tax must be divided according to the distribution formula

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Online Taxation Pros And Cons

By Lazaro Aleman Greene Publishing, Inc.

The issue of the taxation of online purchases is one that, if not having its day at the state and national levels, is certainly drawing its share of attention.

At the state level, Florida District 9 State Representative Michelle Rehwinkel-Vasilinda introduced a bill this session that once again seeks to bring the state's six-percent sales tax to bear on Internet transactions. HB-217, which received its first reading on March 4, is Rehwinkel-Vasilinda's sixth attempt to introduce similar legislation since 2009.

Meanwhile, at the national level, the U.S. House of Representatives is set to take up the Marketplace Fairness Act, a version of which the U.S. Senate approved last year.

The Marketplace Fairness Act, if approved, would reportedly allow states to require that large Internet retailers and other 'remote sellers' with annual sales of more than \$1 million collect sales taxes and send the revenues to the appropriate locations.

Back to Florida, HB-217 aims to fix what Rehwinkel-Vasilinda

characterizes as a loophole in the present system.

"We're actually giving tax breaks to out-of-state retailers who do nothing for the state of Florida and our communities," Rehwinkel-Vasilinda is quoted saying. "That's really upside down and backwards."

If approved, HB-217 would allow Florida to become a member of the 1999 Streamlined Sales and Use Tax Agreement, an interstate compact that simplifies sales and use tax collections and encourages retailers with a physical presence in one member state to remit and collect sales taxes on behalf of other member states. Florida would become the 25th member state to join the agreement.

If Rehwinkel-Vasilinda's past failed attempts to have similar legislation approved are any indication, however, HB-217 at minimum faces an uphill battle. All the same, a recent Supreme Court ruling giving states broad authority to apply the sales tax to online transactions, as well as Amazon's decision to locate two distribution centers in Florida are credited with possibly changing the political landscape in favor of

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Fundraiser Dinner For Robert Sealey And Family



By Rose Klein Greene Publishing, Inc.

Miss Jean's Schoolhouse will be sponsoring a fundraiser dinner to benefit Robert Sealey and his family, as they fight with him, against renal cell carcinoma.

The dinner will be Friday, April 11 from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. at the City Park Gazebo, across from the courthouse in Madison. Plates will hold a smoked chicken leg quarter, macaroni and cheese, baked beans, coleslaw, a roll, drink and dessert, all for \$8.



Tickets for the dinner can be purchased at Miss Jean's Schoolhouse, located at 336 N Washington, off of 53 N in Madison, or can be purchased the day of

the event. To make arrangements for having dinners delivered, or to purchase tickets, you can also contact Charlotte at (850) 464-9354.

Aggravated Battery Arrest



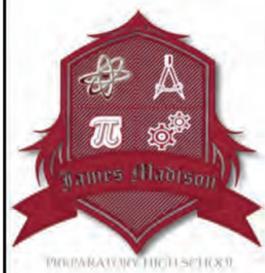
Mack Vickers

Submitted by the Madison County Sheriff's Office

Madison County Sheriff Ben Stewart reports that on Thursday, April 3, at 7:20 p.m. deputies of the Madison County Sheriff's Office responded to the B & B store located at the Cherry Lake Crossroads (8113 North State Road 53 in Madison) after being dispatched to a physical altercation in progress. Upon arrival, deputies immediately identified Johnny Mack Vickers as being the aggressor and promptly took him into custody.

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VIEWPOINTS & OPINIONS

National Security Eminent Domain



Joe Boyles
Guest Columnist

I recently attended a scoping meeting in Live Oak called by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). The subject was the 465 mile natural gas pipeline from eastern Alabama to central Florida which will run through a timber tract in Hamilton County owned by my family. The FERC was seeking public comment on the proposed pipeline. The people who spoke threw around the subject of eminent domain like it was a dirty word. So what is this supposedly 'nasty' word?

Eminent domain means land that is taken for public use. It is covered at the end of the Fifth Amendment to the Constitution with this protection: "nor shall private property be taken for public use without just compensation."

What kind of public use applies in the case of eminent domain? For more than two centuries, the law was narrowly defined as public use for transportation infrastructure, e.g. roads, power lines, pipelines, etc. A few years ago, the Supreme Court's Kelo decision said that eminent domain extended to land condemned for private economic development. I did not agree with that decision and wouldn't be surprised to see it readdressed sometime in the future.

Farmers and foresters have long lived with eminent domain cases. They own and farm a lot of land that is sparsely populated. They understand that the people in highly populated areas require infrastructure to support urban areas. That infrastructure needs to traverse rural farms and forests (where there is the least impact) in order to get to places where the people require transportation and energy. It would be inappropriate and selfish to try to block this needed infrastructure.

Instead, we calculate the loss in economic value, negotiate with the builders, and reach a settlement for the right-of-way. Once the project is built, we work around or over the right-of-way as best we can. Those of us who engage in farming or forestry are very familiar with this process and deal with it frequently. We don't fight it; rather we try to work it to our advantage and move on.

Back to the FERC scoping meeting, there were a lot of organized

protesters to this project who spoke to the feds. Most of them were from the Santa Fe and Itchetucknee River area and it seemed, none of them were involved in either farming or forestry. They raised every issue they could, including many which were ancillary to the project, such as fracking and alternate energy. From my perspective, there was a lot of fear-mongering in their comments.

The end user of this natural gas is our state's largest energy producer, Florida Power and Light (FPL). They have made a strategic decision to convert their thermal generators to natural gas, probably because of environmental restrictions and price considerations. I'm not in any position to quarrel with their decision making process since I'm neither a stockholder nor customer. I do know they are a very thoughtful and reliable company and I'm confident in their decision. My job is to accommodate them when the time is right and protect the interests of my family business. If and when the pipeline is constructed, we'll work within the restrictions of the easement and return to normal business.

I do have experience with a natural gas pipeline, as well as overhead power lines and road expansions. It does cause us to amend our operations ... but we can deal with that. I do not find these easements to be dangerous. In the unlikely case of an accident, we'll go back to court and settle our damages. The buried pipeline constructed in 1995 crosses two creeks and several other wetlands without any apparent damage. The critters seem to have adjusted to the intrusion - turkey, deer, tortoises, ducks and hogs abound.

I'm really somewhat agnostic about the pipeline. If the decision is not to build, then it is business as usual. If it is approved which I expect, then we'll settle. During the construction period, there will be some interference but I expect it to go fairly quickly. Once the construction is complete, I would expect little interference. In the process, we'll lose several rows of trees and there is cost to that, present and future. The builders will replant the 50 foot easement in grass and that's what we'll live with.

I'm certain that there will be some buildings and home sites affected by the pipeline corridor and that is certainly more problematic than the challenges we face. I would advise those folks to get a good lawyer familiar with our area who is expert in eminent domain law.

Emerald's Gem Box



Emerald Greene
Publisher

This past weekend was the annual Miss Madison/Teen Miss Madison Pageant and the Baby to Junior Miss Madison County Pageant.

I once again had the honor and pleasure of being the sponsor/director of the pageant for the first time in ten years. I had originally "taken over" the Miss Madison County pageant back in 1993. For the next 11 years I put everything I

had into it and into making it fun and enjoyable to all whom entered.

One day, many years ago, while trying to help with two Science Fair Projects and trying to make tons of telephone calls, for the pageant, it dawned on me that I was stretching myself too thin. I realized that I needed to be concentrating on my children and THEIR needs that weekend, not worrying about getting a pageant in order. That was my last year as director. I turned the pageant over to Toni Blanton, one of "my" prior Miss Madison's. She kept the Miss Madison County pageant up and running, for the next ten years.

And now here I am - excited to say that I was once again at the "helm" this past week-

end, and loved every minute of it. The only difference this year..... I have my two daughters, Cheltsie and Brooke, to toe the line with me. And what a difference that sure makes!!! I couldn't do all this without them, at this point in my life, in my "old age."

Saturday morning at 10 a.m. we got the pageant underway and some of the most beautiful girls of Madison County stepped out on the stage to compete in several different age divisions.

We have the full story and pictorial coverage in today's paper, on pages 8A - 9A.

I just want to say "Congratulations" to all the queens and their courts in all age divisions. Everyone did beautifully!

Of course we also crowned two girls with

the two coveted titles of Miss Madison County and Teen Miss Madison County. Ashley Skipper will serve in the capacity of the new 2014 Miss Madison County, while Kali Lancaster will serve as the 2014 Teen Miss Madison County.

I'm sure we will see them out-and-about a lot within the next year at all the parades, county festivities and business happenings throughout our wonderful county.

Make sure to read the full story and look at all the beautiful pictures of the Madison County beauties on pages 8A - 9A; and make sure you tell ALL the girls how good they did up on that stage! Because win, lose, or draw - they were ALL winners!

Until then....see you around the town.



Photo Taken By Nancy Cruce Skipper

Brooke Kinsley (co-director); Ashley Skipper (Miss Madison County); Kali Lancaster (Teen Miss Madison County); Cheltsie Kinsley (co-director); and Emerald Greene (director).

Searching For Ambrosia

Quiche For The Sexes



Rose Klein
Columnist

Depending on the era you grew up and how you view the dish, the word "quiche" can bring varied thoughts to mind. During the time of my life when I really began paying attention to culture outside of my family, I still remember the quote, "Real men don't eat quiche." The saying was made popular by a book of the same quote, written by Bruce Feirstein who, through humor, attempted to typecast quiche as a feminine food. Although I suspect the book did damage the dish somewhat, Feirstein was unable to deter quiche completely from popularity and it became an accepted food that is still around today.

One of the great things about quiche is

the ability to put almost anything into it. That means whatever you have hanging around the pantry is fair game for the "pie." It's also a simple dish. After your crust is in your pan, whatever meats, seafood, cheeses or veggies you have, go right on top of the crust. You mix up a savory custard, which is nothing more than eggs and milk or cream, pour it over the chosen ingredients and pop it into the oven.

I found a recipe for mini quiche intended for appetizers and loved the idea of quiche being served individually, but decided to bump them up a bit and bake them into standard size muffin cups. I also changed the ingredients to what I had on hand and you can do the same from the recipe I'm giving you. I increased the ratio of the custard, took out the vegetables and changed the type of cheese I used. With summer around the corner, my beloved BLT is close at hand and I decided to play on that by adding a tomato slice to the top of each quiche for garnish as well as flavor. I served the individual bacon and tomato

quiches for dinner to my friend Lisa, who is visiting, my Mom and my husband. Dinner was all thumbs up. So Mr. Feirstein, I say real men (and women) DO eat quiche, and go back for seconds.

Bacon and Tomato Quiche

- 1 ¼ cups baking mix
- ¼ cup butter, softened
- 2 tbs. boiling water
- 6 oz. bacon, cooked crisp and crumbled
- 2 eggs
- ¾ cup half and half
- ¼ tsp. salt
- ½ cup shredded mozzarella
- Tomatoes (Roma works well)

Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Grease six muffin cups and set

aside. In a small bowl, stir baking mix and butter until well blended. Add boiling water and stir quickly to form a ball. Divide dough into six pieces and press on bottom and up sides of each muffin cup. Divide bacon evenly among cups. In a small bowl, whisk together eggs, half and half and salt. Pour egg mixture into cups, dividing among the six cups. Sprinkle cheese on top.

Bake for 15 minutes; remove from oven and place a tomato slice on top of each quiche. Return to oven and cook about 15 minutes more, or until edges are golden brown and centers are set. Allow quiche to sit in pan for about two minutes before removing to a serving dish.



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Bacon and Tomato quiche...good enough to transcend any gender bias.

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ready at another location. That other location isn't yet known, but it is in the permitting stage, awaiting approval. Another letter will go out to let customers know when it is approved and when it will be up and running.

Daily emphasized that there would be no interruption of ATM service during that time, and that the old one at the bank would remain operational until the replacement at the new location was ready.

Bank of America has owned that Madison location since 1996,

when it was known as Nationsbank. Before then, the building was occupied by a local banking institution. The property has had a history of being a banking location since 1972.

After the new Bank of America ATM is ready to replace the old one, that property will be offered for sale. At the moment, though, that is still several months away, at least.

"We understand that people will miss their tellers," said Daily, "But they'll still be able to bank with Bank of America through alternative means."

Relocated

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Salsgiver committed a sex crime in 2003 of lewd or lascivious molestation of a victim 12-15 years old and him being 18 years of age or older; F/S 800.04(5)(c).

For more information about this Sexual Offender or any Sexual Offender, please contact the Madison County Sheriff's Office Criminal Intelligence Unit at (850) 973-4001.

Gas Tax

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that gives Madison County 70.17 percent; the City of Madison 21.69 percent; the Town of Greenville 6.16 percent, and the Town of Lee 1.98 percent.

The one-cent tax (Ordinance 2013-209) passed unanimously, but the five-cent tax (Ordinance 2013-210) passed by a vote of 4-1, with Commissioner Justin Hamrick casting the dissenting vote. With the taxes in effect since Jan. 1, the

Commission held a workshop March 26 to discuss uses of the revenue generated so far, and decide which road resurfacing or paving projects were eligible under the guidelines in the two ordinances. Court clerk Tim Sanders said afterward that it was the feeling of the board that the paving and resurfacing needs were the most urgent of the road improvement needs in Madison County.

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the bill's passage.

Proponents of the legislation argue that the current system is unfair, as it taxes brick-and-mortar businesses but not online retail giants like Amazon. Opponents, on the other hand, counter that taxing businesses outside the state amounts to "taxation without representation" and would further burden small retailers.

Florida, according to one study, is losing an estimated \$450 million annually in uncollected sales taxes. And the National Conference of State Legislatures estimates the state failed to collect as much as \$1.5 billion in 2012.

Both the Florida Retail Federation and the Florida Chamber of Commerce support the move to collect the on-line sales tax.

At the national level, it's reported that Main Street retailers and state governments now look to Congress to decide the issue with passage of the Marketplace Fairness Act. If approved, however, states would have to acquire software that would make the tax collections possible and they would also have to simplify their tax systems to make things easier for retailers.

The following synopsis is based on an eight-page Legislative Update of the National Write Your Congressman (NWC), whose stated mission is "to encourage responsible Americans to use their influence in government to preserve the freedoms set forth by the Founding Fathers."

The NYTC summarizes the controversy as follows: proponents want the playing field between brick-and-

mortar stores and on-line shopping sites evened, and opponents say small businesses don't have the means or wherewithal to calculate and collect the tax.

The statistics show that an ever-increasing number of people are shopping online. The literature also indicates that although the recent Supreme Court ruling gave state broad authority to require retailers to collect the sales tax, it did not give them the obligation to do so. The issue, moreover, is infinitely complicated, the research indicates. That's because taxes vary drastically from state to state and even from city to city within states, not to mention that five states impose no sales taxes whatsoever.

Some noteworthy items from the NYTC report:

*Polls show that 57 percent of likely voters oppose imposition of the tax on online transactions, with opposition highest among young adults ages 18 to 29 and next highest among adults ages 30 to 49.

*The US Bureau of the Census estimates that more than \$4 trillion and 16.1 percent of all U.S. shipments and sales in 2010 were transacted via the Internet. Other estimates put the so-called e-commerce value at approximately \$3.9 trillion; it is also generally accepted that e-commerce will continue to grow.

*The National Conference of State Legislatures estimates that in 2012, states lost \$23 billion in uncollected taxes of all types, with about half of the loss revenues attributed to uncollected taxes on-line sales.

*As things stand now, consumers are obligated to pay the sales tax for Internet purchases on their own. Most people, however, either are unaware of the requirement or simply ignore it. States, for their part, have no practical way of enforcing the requirement.

*At the start of Internet retail sales, state tax regulations were eased or lifted to help bolster the innovative marketplace. Now, however, a recent government survey indicates that e-commerce sales totaled \$226 billion in 2012 — a 16-percent increase from the previous year. These figures support the argument that Internet retailers are thriving and should no longer get special breaks.

*Among the most commonly cited benefits of online shopping are the availability of information, in terms of consumer reviews, full specifications and possible alternatives; the quick access to a wide variety of products, including specialty items; the ease and convenience of shopping electronically; and the privacy it provides, for those who don't want others to be aware of their purchases.

*Among the cited advantages of "real" store shopping are the social and therapeutic benefits that shoppers derive from the experience, including strolling the mall; mingling with other shoppers; imbibing the malls' sights, scents and sounds; enjoying the refreshments and other offerings at the food plazas and coffee shops; and acquiring instant possession of their purchases.



World News
By Rose Klein

Woman Arrested For Pooping In Elevator

In St. Lucie County, a woman was arrested on a misdemeanor charge of nuisance injurious to health after allegedly defecating in an elevator. Patricia Ann Jamison was identified from security footage where she allegedly "appears to pull her pants down and back up toward the interior elevator buttons consistent with someone using the bathroom. When the elevator arrived on the first floor, the female was seen on camera fixing her pants and pulling her shirt out of her pants as if she pulled her pants up over her shirt." According to St. Lucie County Sheriff, there was "human fecal matter in the corner of the left public elevator by the buttons."

School Bus Driver Ridicules Child With 'Cry Baby' Chant

In Floresville, Texas, a school bus driver known as Ms. Pat is still working at the Floresville Independent School district after leading a chant with students, mocking a crying girl. A video was obtained of Ms. Pat calling a young girl a "cry baby" and inviting other students to chant, "Ready? Cry, cry, cry!" The girl is heard crying in the video as Ms. Pat shouts, "I want my mama!" One mother, whose son rides the bus, spoke to the local news station and said Ms. Pat acted like a bully and "Having the other children follow her example, that's just wrong." According to the mother, her son no longer wants to ride the school bus. Ms. Pat was disciplined but not terminated and is still driving her usual route. The Floresville Independent School District Superintendent, Dr. Sherri Bays said, "I expect that person to learn from that mistake and we will continue to monitor that."

Drunk Driver Passes Out In Traffic Clutching Burrito

In Volusia County, a man was arrested and charged with driving under the influence after police received a call about Daniel Hernandez's car that was stopped at a traffic light for 15 minutes. When police arrived, they found Hernandez asleep at the wheel with his foot on the brake and clutching a burrito. Unable to wake him, after 10 minutes of banging on his window, police broke into the car and eventually was able to wake Hernandez. A Breathalyzer test revealed his blood alcohol content level to be 0.177, more than twice the legal limit.

Battery

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two of the victims and assisted them with obtaining medical treatment for injuries sustained during the fight. According to statements from numerous witnesses, Vickers rode up to the store on a bicycle and crashed it into a parked vehicle. Vickers became irate and started swinging at multiple individuals striking several of

them. At one point, Vickers struck a victim in the face breaking the victim's glasses and hearing aide while causing injury to the victim's nose and knocking him to the ground. Vickers got on top of the victim then began to choke the victim. Several witness reported that they pulled Vickers off of the victim and attempted to restrain him

until the deputies arrived and took him into custody without further incident. Vickers did appear to be intoxicated but it is unknown what prompted his behavior or attack. Vickers was charged with aggravated battery on person 65 years old or older, felony criminal mischief, DUI on a bicycle and disorderly intoxication.



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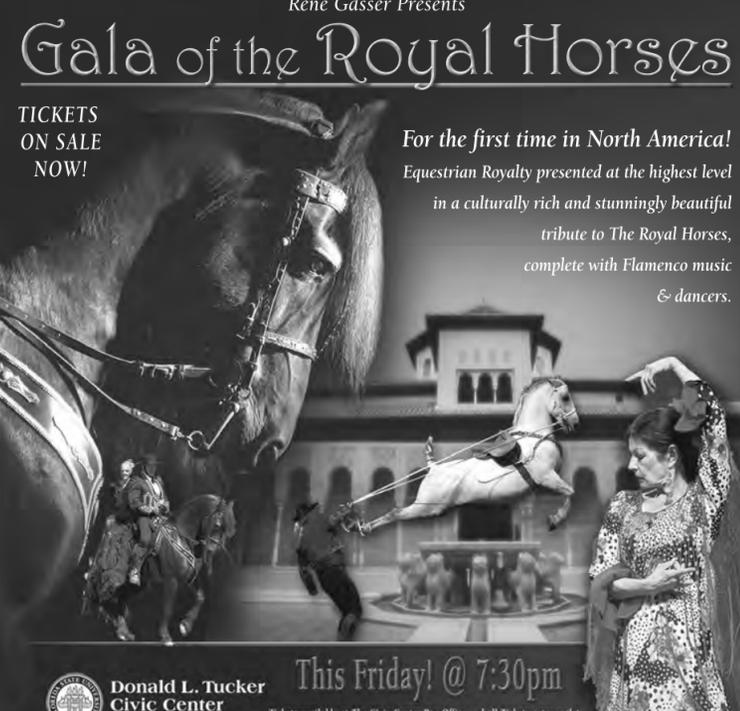
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AROUND MADISON COUNTY

Thank You!

Jamie Hurst from Madison County would like to thank Madison County churches and those who are praying for him through this hard time. Hurst has

cancer and is going through radiation, surgery and chemo treatment. Hurst said all of the prayers mean a lot to him and his family. "God Bless you all. Thank you all so much!"

The Hicks family would like to thank everyone who supported us during the passing of our loved one, William Franklin Hicks, Sr., on

March 3. Thank you for your prayers, food, cards, monetary contributions and labor of LOVE. May God Richly Bless You.

Letter To The Editor

Letters to the Editor are typed word for word, comma for comma, as sent to this newspaper - All submitted Letters must be 600 words or less -

You may not be aware or think that it will affect you, but the Social Security office in Gadsden County closed April 1st. Gadsden county senior citizens will no longer have a place to resolve problems or even ask questions about their benefits they worked for all their lives. Many of these citizens have no access to computers or are not familiar with them, and the small monthly checks they receive do not include "travel expenses" to go to facilities 30 miles away. Since Social Security is a federal program, shouldn't our congressman in Washington be taking the lead on this? Congressman Steve Southerland, according to his newsletter, authored a letter March

18th to U.S. Commissioner of Social Security Carolyn W. Colvin "requesting a meeting" regarding the closure of the Social Security Administration office in Quincy, Florida. A letter requesting a meeting! Was that some kind of April fool's joke, or was it an intentional delay? Even if Mrs. Colvin received the letter and responded, it sometimes takes 2 weeks for a letter to reach a congressman due to the intense scrutiny by law enforcement. The Social Security office in Washington is not hard to find. It is two blocks past K Street. Congressman Southerland should know where that is. A short walk, an email, or a phone call could have facilitated a

meeting as soon as he heard about the proposed closing. It is much harder to reverse something after it is done than to negotiate to stop it beforehand. Maybe that's one reason it closed; the letter may still be "in the mail." I suppose the announcement of his "requesting a meeting" with the SS Administrator does look good in Congressman Southerland's newsletter since he faces a very strong opponent, Mrs. Gwen Graham, in the election this November. To my knowledge, neither the occurrence nor the outcome of the meeting with Mrs. Colvin has been made public. It seems unlikely that a meeting with Congressman Southerland would be very productive anyway, since he follows the wishes of his Tea Party colleagues who have wanted to cut Social Security for years. It would certainly upset billionaire coal and gas magnates like the Koch brothers who have made tremendous donations to Southerland's campaign. It was just announced by the Tampa Bay Times that in the next few weeks you will see yet another TV ad praising Southerland for his opposition to Obamacare. The ad, costing \$150,000, is paid for by the billionaire Koch brother's funded AFP. They already spent \$160,000 to air one in February, because Southerland is considered to be one of the most vulnerable GOP incumbents in the nation. The ad says, "he puts us first, not special interests." Ironically, the ad itself is paid for by special interests. It is a good thing we have leaders on the local level like Gadsden County Commissioner Mrs. Brenda Holt, who is in the process of making social security services available at other locations and proposing other options on how the office can stay open and still save money. Although I reside in Franklin County, I am on Social Security and I appreciate the good work Mrs. Holt is doing. If our present Washington politician lets this happen in Mrs. Holt's county it can happen in other counties throughout our district. Jim Clements

Community Calendar

- April 10**
The Woman's Club is having its annual fundraiser Thursday, April 10, with a luncheon and fashion show at the Woman's Club building on Lake Frances, beginning at noon. Tickets are \$25 each and must be reserved by Tuesday, April 1. For tickets or reservations, see any Woman's Club member or contact Ms. Dale Sowell, (850) 973-6576.
- April 10**
The Lions Club is holding another planning meeting for its annual God and Country Fourth of July Celebration at Lake Frances. The meeting starts at 6:30 p.m. in the hospital cafeteria/board room. Anyone in the community who would like to participate by volunteering time, talent, ideas or helping hands is welcome to attend. Club membership is not required.
- April 11**
Miss Jean's Schoolhouse is hosting a fundraiser dinner for Robert Sealey and family, Friday, April 11 from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. at the City Park Gazebo, across from the courthouse. The dinner will include a smoked chicken leg quarter, macaroni and cheese, baked beans, coleslaw, a roll, drink and dessert for \$8. Tickets can be purchased at the Schoolhouse at 336 N Washington, off of 53 N or by contacting Charlotte at (850) 464-9354.
- April 12**
The Junior Auxiliary of Madison County is hosting their annual Father/Daughter dance on Saturday, April 12, 6-8 p.m. at the Madison Women's Club. The "Girls Just Wanna Have Fun" dance is \$10 per ticket and covers the entry for one father and up to three daughters. A 5x7 photo will be taken at the event. Tickets are available at Odiore Insurance and Madison County Community Bank. For more information, contact Jamie Andrews at (850) 673-7803.
- April 14**
The JV and Varsity cheerleader tryouts for MCHS will be taking place at the high school gym, Monday, April 14 - Thursday, April 17. For more information, contact Ruth Ann Latner at (850) 464-0236 or by email ruth.latner@madisonmail.us.
- April 15**
The Madison County Extension Office will be hosting a "Citrus for North Florida" meeting, Tuesday, April 15 at 5:30 p.m. at the Madison County Extension Office, located at 184 NW College Loop in Madison. Everyone is welcome to attend. To register for the event, please call the Extension Office at (850) 973-4138.
- April 17**
The Madison County Sheriff's Office and friends of the late Deputy Marcus Jones will sponsor a fried chicken dinner on Thursday, April 17, from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. at the Madison County Sheriff's Office on US 90 West. The dinner is to raise money to purchase a memory marker for his gravesite. If you would like tickets, or if you would like to donate to this fund, stop by the Sheriff's Office or the Madison County Community Bank, where an account has been set up in Marcus' name.
- April 21**
Final deadline for the Miss Relay for Life Pageant is Monday, April 21. The pageant date is Sunday, April 27 3 p.m. For more information on the pageant or for applications, contact: Danyel Rucker at (850) 673-8539; danyelrucker@hotmail.com or Renae Williams at (850) 673-8492; renaewilliams67@hotmail.com.

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"The Blue Egg" Hatches In Monticello



Beth Spradley
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Right, cheerful and feminine are words that describe Peddler's Marketplace booth, "The Blue Egg" and its owner, Beth Spradley. Spradley is a resident of Madison County, where she and her husband own a farm. Her hobbies include spoiling her "pets" (all of the farm animals, down to every single chicken, have names), flower gardening, shopping and staying active in her church. Spradley originally moved to North Florida when she went to school at FSU for foreign language. She taught high school French for a time until she decided to follow her biggest passion and hobby—retail—as

a career. "You've got to do what you love," Spradley said. And Spradley loves beautiful, feminine things. Over her career, she worked in Narcissus, J.C. Penney, Victoria's Secret, and S.G. Bridal. It is no surprise then, that her idea of retirement involved opening her first Blue Egg boutique in downtown Madison in 2005. It was very successful, so her doting husband Buddy Spradley built "The Cottage," a little country store for Beth's goods that is right there on their family farm. "It's perfect," she said. "The whole little store is so cute and people can make a day of it, touring our farmhouse and visiting all the farm animals and we always have refreshments for our guests." However, Beth noticed that she didn't have many Jefferson County customers, and wanted to be able to provide to this county as well. "I have lots of people from Madison and Lee and Tallahassee, but not many customers from here. The owners at Peddler's,

Margie Stern and Jenny Batts, are wonderful girls—I love them. We had been talking about opening a booth in Peddler's for a long time and finally decided last month to do it. Now, I'm all set up and ready to go." She describes her items, which range from clothing to home décor to jewelry, as "a blend of whimsy, very feminine, and shabby French." The booth is unabashedly ladylike, but luckily its location in Peddler's Marketplace won't let husbands and boyfriends go bored. Beth encourages you to come visit the Blue Egg in downtown Monticello where you will find very reasonably priced items that are unique and hand picked by her fashion-forward and discerning eye. Sometimes, she schedules a whole day for finding items for the shop. Said Beth, "My children live in Tampa, and when I visit them, I'll shop the whole way there and the whole way back." She also visits estate sales and yard sales in order to keep her shop full and her prices low. Many of her items are completely one of a kind, antique, vintage, or otherwise interesting. Stop by at Peddler's Marketplace from 10 a.m. through 5 p.m. Mondays through Saturdays. Beth Spradley is the delightful and friendly owner of The Blue Egg and The Cottage. Her eye for style will certainly help customers to find the perfect gift, decor or accessory.

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Special Guest At Garden Club Discusses Mission Trips



Greene Publishing, Inc. Photo By Lynette Norris, April 3, 2014

Garden Club member Dolly Ballard had some special guests with her at the April meeting, her nephew Bill Wintenburg and his wife of 35 years, Beverly, who recently returned from a CWE mission trip. Bill and Beverly are looking forward to another mission trip to Cameroon, coming up in September. Left to right are Dolly Ballard, Bill Wintenburg and Beverly Wintenburg.

By Lynette Norris
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While visiting their aunt, Dolly Ballard, Bill and Beverly Wintenburg, of Asheville, N.C., accompanied her to the April Garden Club meeting where Bill spoke briefly about his and Beverly's work with CWE (Construction for Worldwide Evangelism) Ministries. Beverly has been on two missions to the Ukraine, and two to Peru, where the mission team not only conducted vacation Bible schools and helped with church services, but also sought to lend assistance that would have an effect long after the mission team was gone. On one of the trips in Peru, they managed to help a local church that was struggling while they conducted a free dental clinic. All the patients who came in were asked if they were interested in receiving visits from the church's pastor; and indeed, some 95 percent were interested in meeting the pastor and speaking with him. The clinic workers wrote the names and addresses on cards and left those cards with the minister. The rest was up to him, but now, he had a list of names and a place to start.

The focus, according to Beverly, is not so much on doing things for people, as it is on helping them find ways to accomplish those things themselves, maybe with a little assistance, or maybe not. The focus on helping them manage on their own has a far more lasting impact than having them depend on help from mission teams who stay for a few weeks and then leave.

"Sometimes, short-term mission trips can foster dependency on foreign missions," said Beverly afterward, noting that it was not a disparagement of the kind, good-hearted Christian

people who go on these trips, just that CWE's focus was different. It aims to help people become self-sufficient, ministering to both physical and spiritual needs – the difference between catching a fish for a man and feeding him for a day, versus teaching a man to fish, thus feeding him for life. After the mission team goes home, it will be locals who will run the school that was built, run the farming co-op, maintain the well that was dug, operate and maintain the water pumping station, or the aquaponics facility, a sustainable food-producing system in Togo. CWE makes sure that the local people are fully trained and ready to take on the work once the mission team leaves.

It was the aquaponics facility on Togo, West Africa, that Bill spoke about to the Garden Club.

Aquaponics, a combination of the words "aquaculture," the practice of raising fish in tanks, and "hydroponics," the practice of raising plants in water, may sound new, but it actually has roots as far back as the Aztec civilization. The Aztec people cultivated small agricultural islands known as *chinampas*, movable islands of plants raised in lake shallows, irrigated with waste material dredged from the bottom, considered by some experts to be the earliest beginnings of aquaponic practice. Others point to rice paddy farming in Indonesia and South China that includes fish as an early example of the practice.

The aquaponics facility at Togo is huge, containing eight enormous fish tanks four feet wide by 20 feet long.

In a normal fish tank of any size, as excretions from fish accumulate, the toxicity level of the water rises and must be changed. In an aquaponics system, water from the fish tanks is

fed into a hydroponic system, where the fish waste is broken down by nitrogen-fixing bacteria into nitrates and nitrites, which the plants use as nutrients. Once these are taken out of the water by the plants, the water is recirculated back to the fish tanks and cycle begins again.

Other aquaponic systems in other parts of the world have failed due to a lack of on going training by aquaponics professionals; CWE partnered with Morning Star Fishermen (MSF) in Dade City Florida, to supply the initial training as well as the ongoing training of American missionaries going to Togo, to teach them how the teach aquaponics operations, as well as helping with the Aquaponics Training Facility in Togo itself.

The Aquaponics Ministry Outreach began in January of 2013, and after much research, settled on Bodje, a small, remote village in Togo with no electricity or running water. The object was to drill a well and install a solar operation by October of 2013, as well as launch the first of the Aquaponic Ministry Outreach systems, an effort CWE hopes to duplicate in other villages throughout Togo, and then onto to other countries nearby and onward, demonstrating the love of Christ through constructing worship and educational facilities, bringing in medical teams, and now, through the Aquaponics Outreach Ministry.

Bill, a master plumber, said he has been waiting for a mission trip that could use his skills as a master plumber, and will be accompanying Beverly on another CWE mission trip to Cameroon in September.

For more information on CWE missions, worldwide, visit www.cwe-missions.org.

Sisters Working Together



Photo Submitted

Sisters, Kendra Burnett (left) and Katie Burnett (right) have always been best friends and continue to spend their days and nights together, by working the same jobs together.

By Jessie R. Box
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Kendra and Katie Burnett are sisters, friends and coworkers. Kendra works as a paramedic for Tallahassee Memorial Hospital full-time and Madison County E.M.S. part-time. Katie is an E.M.T. at Tallahassee Memorial Hospital full-time and Madison County E.M.S. part-time. Kendra and Katie are from Greenville and are the children of Paul and Robbie Burnett.

Kendra has always wanted to go into nursing since she and her sister began volunteering as candy strippers. She has been working at

the Tallahassee Memorial Hospital since graduating Madison County High School in 2007. She worked on the Family Care Unit at the Woman's Pavilion at the Tallahassee Memorial Hospital before switching to the E.R. floor.

Kendra was completing her prerequisites for nursing school when she went to sign up for nursing school and was informed that there was a two-year waiting list.

"They were like why don't you do the E.M.T. and Medic Program and just bridge over and it would only take me a year to get my R.N. and then I kind of fell in love with it," said Kendra.

Katie graduated from Madison County High School in 2010. Katie was the first sister to go into E.M.T. because she did not want to be cooped up in a hospital all day, but she did want something medical.

"I wanted a little excitement, adrenaline rush, so I went to E.M.T. School and I loved it," said Katie.

Working day in and day out at two different jobs with a sibling would sound horrible to some siblings but not Kendra and Katie.

"We've always been a very close family so I like working with her at both jobs," said Kendra.

Katie loves fishing and hunting while Kendra describes herself as the shopping and going to the movies type of girl.

"We worked at the hospital a couple of months before anybody realized that we were sisters," said Katie.

Kendra still wants to become a R.N. and Katie wants to join Fire Rescue in Tallahassee but neither of them wants to give up their E.M.S. jobs, here in Madison. The sisters relate that they are allowed to work the same shift, however, policy restricts them from working on the same ambulance together.



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Over the years, SHIP has helped many families and individuals in Madison County achieve home ownership. The program was established on the idea that many people could make a

HOME BUYER'S CLASS

house payment, but often lacked the substantial amount for down payment and closing costs associated with a home purchase. This program is for moderate and low income families; for example, a family of four can earn up to \$56,640 and qualify for the grant. If you are interested in purchasing a home and meet the economic guidelines, SHIP

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Favorite Music: Country Music.

Favorite Movie: Facing the Giants.

Favorite TV Shows: "Just the History Channel in general."

Favorite Sport: College Football. He is a Florida State fan.

Hobbies: "Hunting, fishing and hanging out with my wife and kids."

Family: Wife of 11 years in May and three children.

Sum Yourself Up: "I would rather spend my time with my family than I would being here (work). I like spending time with my family."

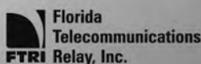


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LIONS CLUB FOURTH OF JULY PLANS MOVING RIGHT ALONG



Greene Publishing, Inc. Photo By Lynette Norris, March 20, 2014

Lions Club members and members of the community meet together in the hospital board room to discuss plans for the annual Fourth of July God and Country Celebration at Lake Frances. Going clockwise around the table are Norman Brightwell, Michelle Sapp, Christy Roebuck, Jay Lee (Lions Club President), Bruce Jordan, Tim Dunn and Austin Kelly.

By Lynette Norris
Greene Publishing, Inc.

At their March meeting, the Lions Club Fourth of July planning committee firmed up a few more details for the God and Country Celebration at Lake Frances.

An early morning (7:30 a.m.) 5K run through downtown will be sponsored by Madison Sporting Goods, with the race beginning and ending there. People can either pre-register a month in advance (\$25, registration deadline June 4) or pay extra (\$30) to register the day of the race. The registration forms should be online soon at the Lions Club web-

site (www.madisonlionclub.com).

The race will be divided into two categories, male and female, with a first, second and third place medal awarded in each one, as well as an overall winner. All participants will receive a tee-shirt.

After the 5K, there will also be a "Fun Run" which will be free, but if the participant would like a tee-shirt, he or she will have to pre-register and pay \$10. Both races are expected to be over by midmorning before the heat and humidity of the day sets in.

The evening's festivities will run from 5 p.m. - 9 p.m., with a talent show, drawings for

prizes throughout the evening, and a big drawing at the very end for a flat-screen TV. In order to get your raffle tickets, visit any of the vendors' booths around the lake, and get a ticket for each purchase you make throughout the evening. You will then be responsible for filling out your name and other information and getting your ticket to the main stage where the drawings will be, and you must be present to win.

Entertainment this year will include two short performances by the Madison Boys Choir and a talent show.

Finally, yes, there will be fireworks, for a spectacular ending.

The next planning meeting for the event is April 10, beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the Hospital cafeteria boardroom. You do not have to be a Lions Club member to attend. Anyone in the community who would like to help with the planning or volunteer their time and energy is welcome.

Butterflies, Anyone?



Greene Publishing, Inc. Photo By Lynette Norris, April 3, 2014

Sandy Valladares, of the Suwannee County Agricultural Center, talks to Madison garden Club members about setting up butterfly gardens that will attract the greatest number of butterflies.

By Lynette Norris
Greene Publishing, Inc.

You know it's spring when the butterflies start coming out in droves, because they need a body temperature of at least 80 degrees in order to be active. So, when you start to see one or two, then ten or twenty, and then clouds of them, you know that spring has sprung and it's finally safe to rake up the winter debris and clean up your yard. Butterflies overwinter in piles of leaves around flower beds and fallen logs and other debris in the yard, so throwing these out before the butterflies have a chance to come out will cut down on the numbers you may see in your garden, because statistically, only about five percent of butterflies make it from the larval stage to their adult form.

However, Florida, with its mild climate, is home to over 100 species of butterflies.

Sandy Valladares, of the Suwannee County Agricultural Center, addressed the Madison Garden Club at their April meeting with some tips on how to have a successful butterfly garden and take care of the butterflies that visit



Greene Publishing, Inc. Photo By Lynette Norris, April 3, 2014

Butterflies were the theme of the day. Garden Club Member and Master Gardener Nell Ring holds one of the half a dozen large butterfly candles made by Garden Club member Donna McIver.

A butterfly garden needs both host plants, for egg-laying and larvae (caterpillar) food, and nectar plants they can feed on when they emerge in their adult form from their chrysalises. One species of butterfly, the red-spotted purple or the Texas butterfly, also feeds on carrion or rotting fruit.

Some good choices for host plants are passion flower, parsley, rue, the fennel family, citrus, clovers, partridge pea and trees like sweet bay magnolia, pines, and hickories, just to name a few. Good nectar plants include coral bean, coral honeysuckle, abelia shrub, native lupine and echinacea purpurea.

When it comes to flowers butterflies prefer, they seem to home in on shapes - the type of flower that gives them a good landing pad to sit on while they sip the nectar. Only one species of butterfly, the yellow sulfur butterfly, is agile enough to feed clinging to flowers that dangle upside down, like abelia shrub and most honeysuckles.

For a list of Florida native plants suitable for butterfly gardening, listed according to species of butterfly, visit the website <http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/uw057>.

Butterflies need wa-

ter, preferably dirty water filled with minerals. After a rain, you might see butterflies lighting on soil to get moisture directly from the ground, because it has the minerals they need.

To put out water for your butterflies, use something extremely shallow. Most bird baths are too deep, since butterflies can't drink from open water, but you can fill the bird bath with rocks and pour the water over the rocks so that they can almost land in the water. Other water sources include containers of very, very wet sand or soil in a large shallow container in an open area, the ideal set-up for thirsty butterflies, since wet sand or soil is their first preference.

A butterfly habitat also needs shelter. Butterflies need a place to roost at night and they need a place to hide from stormy weather. Woody shrubs and plants located close to nectar plants fill the bill for this requirement. They roost like bats, hanging upside down, and some species, like the zebra swallowtail, roost in colonies. They can also roost in flowers that hang upside down.

Other attractions for your garden can include large flat rocks where butterflies can bask in the sun.

Among the "don'ts" for a butterfly garden is pesticide use. Only about one percent of bugs in your garden are harmful anyway, but if you find your garden badly infested and being decimated by pests, consider using a mild insecticidal soap with a narrow spectrum aimed specifically at the bugs you are trying to eliminate, and don't apply these until after dusk when the butterflies are safely roosting.

After all, the goal of butterfly gardening is to inspire sustainable gardening and care for the environment as well as providing something beautiful you can enjoy, over and over again, whenever spring comes around, and all those little winged heralds of spring arrive.

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Jim Stanley Surprised At Rotary Club Meeting



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Madison City Manager Tim Bennett and City Commissioner Jim Catron (District 3), both members of the Madison Rotary Club, along with special guest, City Commissioner Ina Thompson (District 2), arranged a special surprise for fellow Rotarian and former City Commissioner Jim Stanley, presenting him with a plaque of appreciation for his eight years of service to the City of Madison, serving as Commissioner for District 4 from 2006 to 2014. Presenting Stanley with the plaque, Bennett remarked, "There are givers in the world and there are takers, and Jim is definitely a giver." Stanley replied that he felt blessed and thanked God for the opportunity to serve and the token of appreciation. "These people are special people," he said. "And Tim is one of the hardest-working people I've ever met. He works all the time. This means a lot to me." Left to right are Jim Catron, Jim Stanley, Ina Thompson and Tim Bennett.

Cross Country Bike Trek



Photo Submitted

Spence Holben on April 5 of his bike journey to California.

By Jessie R. Box
Greene Publishing, Inc.

Spence Holben is making an across country biking trip. He started in St. Augustine on Feb. 14 and is heading to California.

According to his father, Jim Holben, of Madison, this is some-

thing that his son had wanted to do for a while now and when he had the opportunity, he went for it. Holben put his feet in the Atlantic Ocean at St. Augustine and wants to put his feet in the Pacific Ocean in California.

Holben has been documenting his trip on his Facebook page. His update on Sunday, April 6, had him at day 38 and in Arizona.

According to Jim Holben, he should be returning home in 10 - 15 days.



Rotary Club Presents Check To Rotary Youth Camp Director



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After presenting a \$1000 donation to the Rotary Youth Camp, Rotary Club President Wayne Conger stands aside as RYC Director Leslie Smith speaks to the club members about what the camp experience means to severely disabled children who are unable to attend regular summer camps. The Rotary Youth Camp is now in its 21st year, and thanks to support from the Rotary Foundation, the Rotary Club of Madison and other Rotary Clubs in the 6940 District of North Florida, the camp will be able to run all three of its usual summer sessions.

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AROUND MADISON COUNTY

ASHLEY SKIPPER AND KALI LANCASTER CROWNED 2014 MISS AND TEEN MISS MADISON COUNTY



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Brynlee Thompson was named Baby Miss Madison County 2014 during the Miss Madison County pageant that was held this past Saturday. The Baby Miss division included, left to right, Brynlee Thompson, 2014 Baby Miss Queen, prettiest hair and best stage presence; Cassidy Ballenger, 1st runner up and prettiest smile; Georgia Osowski, 2nd runner up; Caelyn Ealy, 3rd runner up, most photogenic and best attire; Emma Greene, Baby Miss participation and Avalina Bizzoco, Baby Miss Participation.

By: Emerald Greene
Greene Publishing, Inc.

The Miss Madison County, Teen Miss Madison County and Baby to Junior pageants were held this past Saturday, April 5, at the Madison County Central School.

The pageants were kicked off at 10 a.m. as the children and young ladies took to the stage and competed for the crowns in their respective divisions.

Brynlee Thompson was crowned the Baby Miss Queen, for ages birth to 11 months of age. Her court was: Cassidy Ballenger, first runner up; Georgia Osowski, second runner up; and Caelyn Ealy, third runner up. Other participants/court included Emma Greene and Avalina Bizzoco. The special award winners included: Prettiest Smile, Cassidy Ballenger; Prettiest Hair, Brynlee Thompson; Best Attire, Caelyn Ealy; Best Stage Presence, Brynlee Thompson; and Miss Photogenic, Caelyn Ealy.

Lucia Abbott was crowned the new Infant Miss Madison County for ages 12-23 months old. Leighton Surles was awarded the first runner up in the division. The special awards were presented as: Prettiest Smile, Lucia Abbott; Prettiest Hair, Leighton Surles; Best Attire, Leighton Surles; Best Stage Presence, Lucia Abbott; and Miss Photogenic, Lucia Abbott.

Alexa Coe was crowned the new 2014 Miss Madison County Tiny Miss, for girls ages 2-3 years old. Her court was: Alyssa Meyer, first runner up;

Valentina Hurtado, second runner up; and Ashlynn Hendrix, third runner up. The special award winners in that age division were: Prettiest Smile, Alexa Coe; Prettiest Hair, Valentina Hurtado; Best Attire, Alyssa Meyer; Best Stage Presence, Alexa Coe; and Miss Photogenic, Alexa Coe.

Layla Peavey was named the 4-6 year old Little Miss Madison County. Her court was: Jamielyn Hudson, first runner-up; and Alyssa Meyer, second runner-up. The special awards were presented to: Prettiest Smile, Layla Peavey; Prettiest Hair, Jamielyn Hudson; Best Attire, Layla Peavey; Best Stage Presence, Layla Peavey; and Miss Photogenic, Jamielyn Hudson.

Leandra Land was crowned the Young Miss Madison County for her age division of 7-9 year olds. Her court included: Ashton Sapp, first runner up; and Anna Meyer, second runner up. The special awards were presented to: Prettiest Smile, Leandra Land; Prettiest Hair, Leandra Land; Best Attire, Ashton Sapp; Best Stage Presence, Leandra Land; and Miss Photogenic, Leandra Land.

Savanna Wilford was crowned the 10-12 Junior Miss Madison County along with the special awards of Prettiest Smile, Prettiest Hair, Best Attire, Best Stage Presence, and Miss Photogenic.

Kali Lancaster was crowned the new 2014 Teen Miss Madison County. She was also awarded the special awards of Prettiest Smile, Prettiest Hair, Best Attire, Best Stage Presence, and Miss Photogenic.

Ashley Skipper was crowned the new 2014 Miss Madison County.

A special thank you goes out to the area businesses that donated to the Miss Madison County Pageant: Madison Florist - All Queen's Flower Bouquets; Southern Grace - a gift for both Miss and Teen Miss; Busy Bee - \$25 gift cards for both Miss and Teen Miss; One Scoop or Two - gift certificates for both Miss and Teen Miss; Julie Wood - S Factor Serious Shine for Miss Madison; Summer Osowski - from Brenda's Styles free tanning for one month for both Miss and Teen Miss; Christine Walker - Haircut, Shampoo & Blow dry for Miss Madison County; Susan Williams - a Merle Norman gift certificate for Miss Madison County; Cucinella's Brick Oven Pizzeria - a \$25 gift card for the new Miss Madison County; Madison Sporting Goods - a free Cowboy t-shirt for Miss Madison County; Hall's Tire and Muffler - a free oil change and a free tire rotation and balance for the Miss Madison County; Stacy and Company - 5 free tanning visits for Miss Madison County; Nails by David - a free haircut or spa pedicure for the Miss Madison County; Sweet Tees - A jacket for the new Miss Madison County; Emerald Greene and Cheltsie and Brooke Kinsley - a rhinestone crown pin for both Miss and Teen Miss; and Cassidy Stallings (2013 Miss Madison) - A necklace for the new Miss Madison and a bracelet for the new Teen Miss Madison County.



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Lucia Abbott was crowned as the 2014 Infant Miss Madison County Queen. Lucia Abbott, left, along with her title, also won prettiest smile, best stage presence and most photogenic. Leighton Surles, right, was named the Infant Miss 1st runner up along with winning prettiest hair and best attire.



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Four beautiful girls competed for the 2014 title of Tiny Miss Queen during the Miss Madison County pageant. Pictured from left to right are: Alexa Coe, Tiny Miss Madison County Queen, prettiest smile, best stage presence and most photogenic; Alyssa Meyer, 1st runner up and best attire; Valentina Hurtado, 2nd runner up and prettiest hair; and Ashlynn Hendrix, 3rd runner up.



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The new Little Miss Madison County 2014 title was awarded to Layla Peavey during the pageant Saturday morning. Layla Peavey and her court all did a wonderful job and each one of them looked stunning on stage. Shown from left to right are: Layla Peavey, Little Miss Queen, prettiest smile, best attire and best stage presence; Jamielyn Hudson, 1st runner up, prettiest hair and most photogenic; and Alyssa Oakes, 2nd runner up.



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Miss Lee 2014, Elsie Kuhl, and Miss Lee 1st runner up, Caitlin Gibson, (left to right) were a huge help at the Miss Madison County Pageant by greeting visitors at the door.

AROUND MADISON COUNTY



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Leandra Land was crowned as the Young Miss Madison County 2014 Queen during the pageant that was held on April 5. The Young Miss division included, left to right, Leandra Land, Young Miss Queen, prettiest smile, prettiest hair, best stage presence and most photogenic; Ashton Sapp, 1st runner up and best attire; and Anna Meyer, 2nd runner up.



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Ashley Skipper, left, was crowned the new 2014 Miss Madison County during last weekend's Miss Madison County Pageant. Kali Lancaster, right, was crowned the new 2014 Teen Miss Madison County during the pageant.



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(Shown at left) Savannah Wilford won the title of Junior Miss Madison County 2014 during the Miss Madison County pageant. Along with winning her title, she also won prettiest smile, prettiest hair, best attire, best stage presence and most photogenic.



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Kali Lancaster was crowned as the new 2014 Teen Miss Madison County. Kali also won, along with her title, prettiest smile, prettiest hair, best attire, best stage presence and most photogenic.



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The 2013 Miss and Teen Miss Queens passed down their crowns to the new 2014 Queens during the pageant last Saturday. Shown from left to right are: Cassidy Stallings, 2013 Miss Madison County; Ashley Skipper, 2014 Miss Madison County; Kali Lancaster, 2014 Teen Miss Madison County; and Ireland Wood, 2013 Teen Miss Madison County.



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Ashley Skipper, Madison County's new queen, was crowned Saturday morning and was given the title of Miss Madison County 2014.



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A lot of support was given to the new 2014 Miss Madison Queen as she competed for the title of Miss Madison. From left to right are: Ashley Killingsworth, Miss Madison County 2012; Cassidy Stallings, Miss Madison County 2013; and Ashley Skipper, Miss Madison County 2014.





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Board of Directors Chairman, Richard Terry, of Madison, noted, "The Board of Directors is dedicated to consistently paying a solid patronage while maintaining the financial strength of Farm Credit of Northwest Florida. Doing so enhances the mission of the Association, which is to ensure a financially vibrant future for agriculture and related industries, while fulfilling fiduciary responsibilities to our



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SCHOOL

Area Deputies Take Active Shooter Training

By Fran Hunt
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These days, we hear so much about a shooter or two entering a school and shooting, injuring and killing students, teachers and staff, when we flip on the news.

Imagine the adrenaline rush experienced by law enforcement, the screams of pain from the injured and the fear in the hearts of those at the school, who are at risk of being a target of a shooter.

That was the scenario at Jefferson County Middle High School on March 14. Retired Leon County Sheriff's Office Major Haywood Walker of Prevention and Response Solutions (PRSI) of Tallahassee ran the all-day training course for Sheriff's office deputies and school administrators.

The training is supplied by a federal grant from Pat Thomas Law Enforcement Academy. The grant is to provide training, and prepare rural counties for reacting to active shooters in schools.

The training was hosted for Madison, Jefferson and Taylor counties. Walker stated that there were over 50 people in the class all together. The program inner phases school administrators and law enforcement to work together in the situation.

"We teach prevention, response and recovery," said Walker, who served in the training as the officer in command during the scenario, giving the orders to the other law enforcement personnel, who carried out those orders. "There is a program that we go through with the school administrators, and about activating the school plan in case of a shooter. There were table top exercises, and law enforcement had to respond to the shooter in the school," he added.

"We had role players in the school with air assault weapons (simulated guns and ammunition). The job of the officers was to go in, sweep the campus, find and identify the shooter, and resolve the situation," Walker said. "Some administrators were also role playing, as injured persons on the scene. They made it really realistic and did a great job. We make it as realistic as possible to get the officer's adrenaline going, so they really know the feel of going into this kind of a situation."

Walker explained that the different counties are not pitted in a competition against each other during the training. "They work together as team. We give them the scenario and do critiques with them on their performance. It was quite obvious that they have trained in the past on this. They work together very well."

"The law enforcement side has mandatory training anyway, they are taught how to move, identify, and deal with a threat," he added.

"Jefferson County School Superintendent, Al Cooksey, and the Jefferson County school district hosted the training, and we give them kudos, as well as Pat Thomas Law Enforcement Academy," said Walker. He added that training would be hosted in Dixie County for Dixie, Lafayette and Gilchrist counties on April 21, and in Franklin County for Franklin, Liberty and Calhoun counties.

"When we get finished, that'll be nine school districts, and nine sheriff's departments trained for active shooters," said Walker. Following the course, the students critique the instructor. "We got good reviews," said Walker.

Speaking on the course, Madison County Sheriff Ben Stewart said, "We were invited and wanted to participate. My deputies reported that it was very good training. We did the same training three years earlier, but they liked this course the best because it included the faculty, who told how they thought they would respond, what they were thinking, and therefore making the course much more productive. My guys said it was very realistic, and they were very impressed. We would recommend it."

Jefferson County Sheriff David Hobbs added, "We learned a lot. The simulation was very realistic. There was a lot going on, but you have to go in, know the layout, and neutralize the situation. If it comes to a situation like



that, we're not going to lock it down and wait for someone else. We are going in."

PRSI Active Shooter trainer, Hayward Walker, retired as Major from the Leon County Sheriff's Office with 34 years experience as a law enforcement officer. Educated in Leon County, he currently holds a degree in Criminal Justice Technology from Tallahassee Community College. Law Enforcement experience includes the areas of uniform patrol, warrants, bailiff, school resource, property crime, violent crime, vice, bomb team, hostage negotiation, homeland security, and special operations and training. He has 28 years experience serving as a Tactical Operator and SWAT Commander.

In addition to specialized training, he has experience in response to terrorism and suicide bombers. Major Walker has received training in Israel on public and school safety, port security, airport security and dignitary protection. He has managed and been involved in crisis situations including homicides, manhunts, barricaded subjects, hostage incidents, officer rescue and emergencies due to natural disasters. Major Walker has served on the Executive Board of the North Florida Domestic Security Task Force, and has received awards from Veterans of Foreign Wars, Officer of the Year and the Law Enforcement Distinguished Career Service Award.

According to PRSI's website, in reference to the Active Shooter training, "Practical response in real time is the central lesson in PRSI's Active Shooter training course. Students who complete our Active Shooter training will have a flexible and effective response to the sudden emergence of armed individuals in school, mall, or other public settings. PRSI's Active Shooter course instructors have successfully responded to active threat events. Participants will learn to plan, command, participate, and resolve critical threats, whether the threat is a lone gunman, a criminal event turned standoff, or the armed occupation of a public facility. Scenarios, strategy, and tactics taught are all derived from real-life experience, and meets the highest training standards."

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ACA Students Tour Washington D.C.



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The Aucilla Christian Academy seventh and eighth grade students pose in front of the White House for a photo, during their recent tour of Washington D.C. Pictured front row, left to right: Brandon Slaughter, Timothy Finlayson, Ryan Jackson, Dilyn Stowers, Andrew Burrus and Ayush Patel. Middle row, left to right: Skyler Dickey, Kaitlin Lane, Megan Schofill, Jake Freeland, Ian Hutsell, Evan Courtney, Emily Brock, Emily Forehand, Ashlyn Rogers, Kurt Lane, Evan Hocking, Summer Dee and Dalayna Nolan. Back row, left to right: Katie James, Camryn Grant, Jessica Giddens, Jacob Dukes, Stewart Dalzell, Elizabeth Hightower, Logan Boyer, Hunter Key, Carly Joiner, Abigail Morgan, Joe Walton, Hannah Sercy, Haley Jones, Ryals Lee and Jade Greene.

Aucilla Christian Academy's seventh and eighth grade students (and parents) recently took a three day tour of Washington, D.C. and Virginia with their teacher, James Burkett. Their tour included seeing the U.S. Capitol, White House, Smithsonian's National Air and Space Museum, Ford's Theatre, George Washington's Mt. Vernon, Arlington National Cemetery, Washington National Cathedral, National Zoo, as well as numerous memorials and additional sites.

"As a school, we believe it's important our students understand our nation's history and experience it first-hand," said Principal Richard Finlayson. "We've been organizing this trip for over 15 years now and both students and parents get really excited about going."

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"It's an amazing experience to watch history come to life right before their very eyes," said Burkett. "It's a privilege to watch them learn and absorb the vastness of everything around them."

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LEGALS

LEGAL NOTICE
 The Suwannee River Economic Council, Inc. Board of Directors will hold a meeting for the Executive Committee Members on **Wednesday, April 23, 2014, 10:00 A.M.** at Suwannee River Economic Council, Inc. Administration Office located at 1171 Nobles Ferry Road NW Live Oak, Florida.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING: The District Board of Trustees of North Florida Community College will hold its regular monthly meeting Tuesday, April 15, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. in the NFCC Board Room, NFCC, 325 NW Turner Davis Dr., Madison, FL. A copy of the agenda may be obtained by writing: NFCC, Office of the President, 325 NW Turner Davis Dr., Madison, FL 32340. For disability-related accommodations, contact the NFCC Office of College Advancement, 850-973-1653. NFCC is an equal access/equal opportunity employer.
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING: The NFCC Board of Trustees announces its intent to vote upon new policies: DBT Policy#4.179: Sexual Harassment and DBT Policy#4.67: Firearms and Weapons Prohibitions. Also, the Board will vote upon changes to DBT Policy#1.06: District Board of Trustees - Powers and Responsibilities and DBT Policy#4.180: Harassment. The economic impact to NFCC due to the new policies and policy changes are \$0. Copies of the policies are available for public review in the Human Resources office at NFCC. Persons wishing to address this issue may do so by appearing before the Board at the meeting. Persons wishing to appeal a Board decision related to this issue will need a record of the proceeding for such an appeal and may, therefore, need to ensure that a verbatim record is made.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that **Henry or Jacqueline Washington**, 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: 08-422
 YEAR OF ISSUANCE: 2008
 NAME IN, WHICH ASSESSED: Peter Amariel
 PARCEL ID: 00-00-00-2243-002-001

LEGAL DESCRIPTION:
THE EAST 150 FEET OF THAT PORTION OF THE RIGHT-OF-WAY OF FIFTH STREET EXTENDING FROM THE WEST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF MAIN STREET TO THE EAST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF THE SOUTH GEORGIA RAILWAY COMPANY, GREENVILLE, FL.

All of said property being in the County of Madison, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to the law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the west front door at the Madison County Courthouse on the 24th day of **APRIL 2014** at 11:00 a.m.

Dated this 6th day of MARCH 2014.
TIM SANDERS CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT MADISON COUNTY MADISON, FLORIDA
 BY: *Renata Kuling* DEPUTY CLERK

3/19, 3/26, 4/2, 4/9

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

IN RE: The Estate of VALENTIN ZACARIAS RODRIGUEZ, Deceased.

CASE NO.: 14-35-CP PROBATE DIVISION

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS OR DEMANDS AGAINST THE ABOVE ENTITLED ESTATE AND ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN SAID ESTATE: YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the administration of the estate of VALENTIN ZACARIAS RODRIGUEZ, deceased, is pending in the Circuit Court in and for Madison County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is the Madison County Courthouse, 125 SW Range Avenue, Madison, Florida 32340. The name and address of the Personal Representative and the Personal Representative's attorney are set forth below. All persons having claims or demands against the estate are required, WITHIN THREE CALENDAR MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE to file with the clerk of the above styled court a written statement of any claim or demand they may have. Each claim must be in writing and must indicate the basis for the claim, the name and address of the creditor or his agent or attorney, and the amount claimed. If the claim is not yet due, the date when it will become due shall be stated. If the claim is contingent or unliquidated, the nature of the uncertainty shall be stated. If the claim is secured, the security shall be described. The claimant shall deliver sufficient copies of the claim to the clerk to enable the clerk to mail one (1) copy to the personal representative. All persons interested in the estate to whom a copy of this Notice of Administration has been mailed are required, WITHIN THREE CALENDAR MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE to file any objections they may have that challenges the validity of the qualifications of the personal representative, or the venue or jurisdiction of the Court. ALL CLAIMS AND OBJECTIONS NOT SO FILED WILL FOREVER BE BARRED. Date of the first publication of this Notice of Administration: April 9, 2014.

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CERTIFICATE NO: 09-501
 YEAR OF ISSUANCE: 2009
 NAME IN, WHICH ASSESSED: NRLL EAST, LLC
 PARCEL ID: 00-00-00-2243-002-000

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: LOT 4, THE NORTH HALF OF LOT 3 AND THE NORTH 75 FEET OF LOT 5 IN BLOCK 22, GREENVILLE, FLORIDA.

All of said property being in the County of Madison, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to the law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the west front door at the Madison County Courthouse on the 24th day of **APRIL 2014** at 11:00 a.m.

Dated this 6th day of MARCH 2014.
TIM SANDERS CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT MADISON COUNTY MADISON, FLORIDA
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-- Legals --

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

CAPITAL CITY BANK,
Plaintiff,
v. CASE NO. 2013-261-CA
JAMES MCKIVER ADDERLEY a/k/a James M. Adderley and a/k/a James McKiver Adderley and CHRISTINE C. ADDERLEY a/k/a Christine C. Adderley, jointly and severally; ADDERLEY CORPORATION, a Florida corporation a/k/a Adderley Corporation, STATE OF FLORIDA; MADISON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS; JOHN DOE and JANE DOE (Unknown Tenants/Occupants),
Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to the Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated March 25, 2014 and entered in Case No. 2013-261-CA of the Circuit Court of the Third Judicial Circuit, in and for Madison County, Florida, wherein CAPITAL CITY BANK is the Plaintiff and JAMES MCKIVER ADDERLEY a/k/a James M. Adderley and a/k/a James McKiver Adderley and CHRISTINE C. ADDERLEY a/k/a Christine C. Adderley, jointly and severally; ADDERLEY CORPORATION a/k/a Adderley Corporation; STATE OF FLORIDA; MADISON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS and TIM SANDERS, in his official capacity as Madison County Clerk of Court, are the Defendants, I will sell separately to the highest and best bidder for cash on the West side courthouse steps of the Madison County Courthouse, 125 SW Range Avenue, Madison, Florida 32340, at 11:00 a.m. on the 7 day of May, 2014, the following described properties as set forth in said Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure:

Sale No. 1:
A PORTION OF THE NORTH HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 13, TOWNSHIP 2 NORTH, RANGE 9 EAST, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
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Sale No. 2:
Lot 15, Block F of Plant's Addition, according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 1, Page(s) 31, 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 sixty (60) days after the sale.
WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of this Court on March 25, 2014.

TIM SANDERS
MADISON COUNTY CLERK OF COURT
By: *Ramona Dickson*
Deputy Clerk

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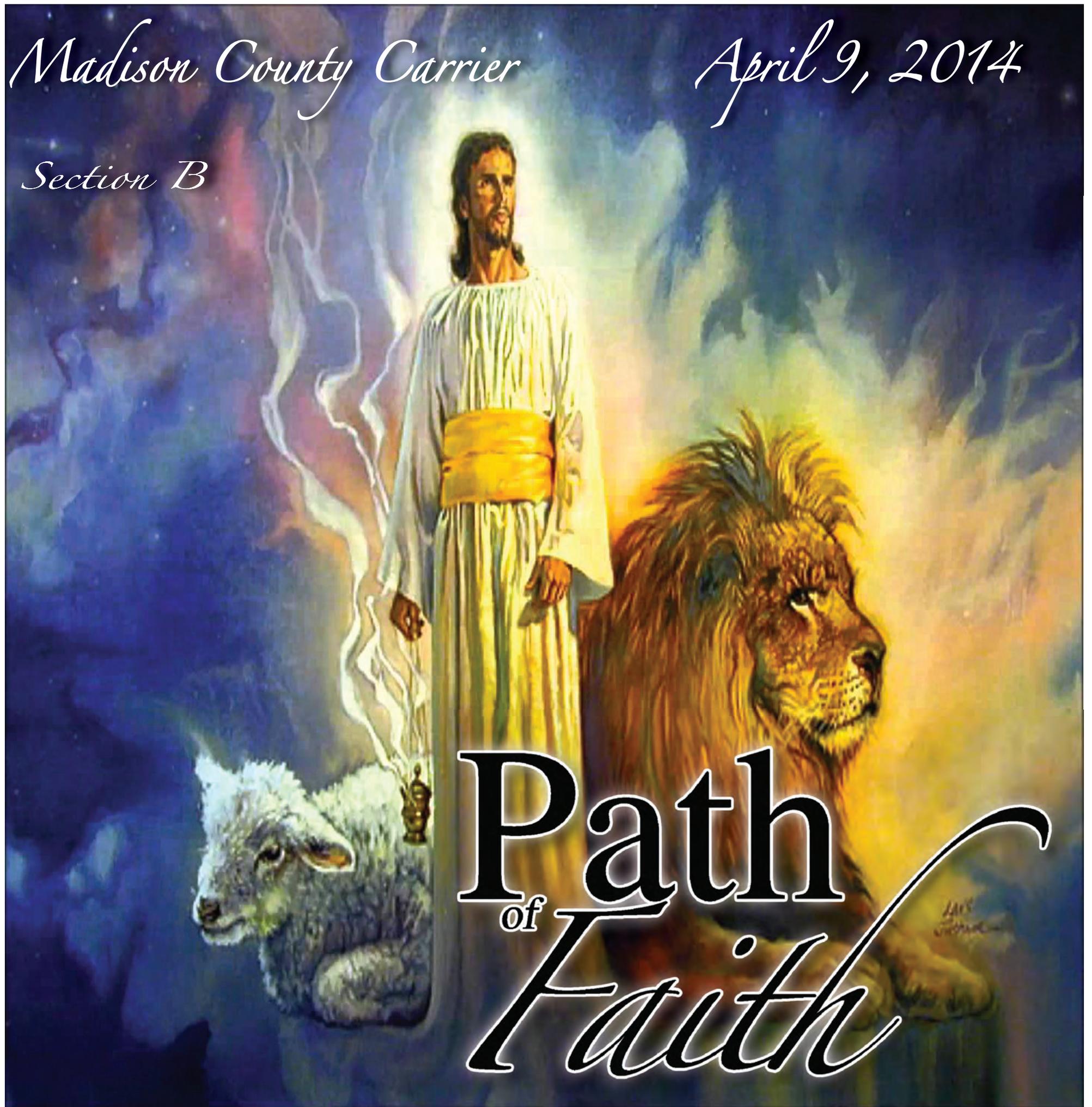
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The Pulpit

By Rev. Jimmy
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Do you not judge those who are inside?

¹³ *But those who are outside God judges. Therefore "put away from yourselves the evil person."*

1 Corinthians 5:9-13 NKJV

I guess the question to be asked is this, why is the church struggling so much today? Of course, many will say,

"We are not of this world," and "If we are in Christ, we will suffer," and those answers, scripturally, would be correct. However, I think there is a deeper problem with why we are suffering to gain ground and reach people here in America.

Our churches look no different than the world. We will look out into the world, meaning the lost, and sneer at the homosexuals, those who practice adultery, the thieves, and the murderers. Really, the list could go on and on and on. We are supposed to be witnesses to the lost, not snub our noses at them (Acts 1:8)! Yet we will allow all sorts of sin to openly take place by "brothers" in

our churches today and too often we will turn a blind eye to it, all in the name of love, numbers and money. Is that what Paul says in the above verses or have we gotten to the point that we will pick and choose what we, as a church, will abide by, or verses we like and dislike?

When are we going to start worrying about the integrity of the church? If our purpose is really Kingdom-minded, then why has the accountability in churches fallen by the wayside? If someone is bold enough to call themselves a follower of Christ, a brother, who openly practices sin, and we as the church just keep ignoring it because we say, "I can't judge him or her," then why in the world would we ever expect a lost soul to see the need for a Savior?

Believers, we must help restore the brother in sin. It's only going to come through their repentance first. If they refuse to make it right before God and continue in rebellion, what does Paul say in the above verses? I don't have to answer that, Paul does.

Do we need to be a bunch of legalists, trying to look better than

everyone else, pointing out the sins of others?

No, of course not! We don't know every sin in the church committed by "brothers," but we do have "brothers" who are openly practicing sin, and while it's not popular, church discipline is a must in these circumstances.

Remember though, as it says in Galatians, do it with humility.

Why?

Because you and I are just as open to falling into sin as the next person, but we have to try and help. (Galatians 6:1-2)

Are you going to be popular?

No, but would you rather gain a brother? I would.

Is there a chance one may rebel, and you lose them? Yes, of course, but I think that only reveals what they really believe (1 John).

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Church Calendar



April 13

The First United Methodist Church of Madison will hold an Easter cantata on Palm Sunday, April 13, during their 11 a.m. worship service. There will be no 8:30 a.m. service that morning. First UMC is located at 348 SW Rutledge Street in Madison. Rev. Bob Laidlaw is the pastor.

April 13

The Lighthouse Children's Home Choir will perform a gospel concert at Renewed Life Outreach Center in Greenville on Sunday morning, April 13, at 11 a.m. Renewed Life Outreach Center is located at 1376 Grand Street. A love offering will be accepted for the Lighthouse Children's Home. A fellowship dinner will immediately follow the service. Everyone is welcome. Rev. Chris Peterson is the pastor.

April 13

Beulah Baptist Church invites everyone to attend their Palm Sunday service at 11 a.m., on April 13. Special music, which will emphasize the death of Jesus Christ, is planned. The church is located at 1258 NE Beulah Church Road, east of Lee. All are welcome. Rev. T.J. Santerfeit is the pastor.

April 13

Cherry Lake Baptist Church will

hold revival services beginning Sunday evening, April 13, at 6 p.m. Rev. Ferrell Morris, pastor of Grace Baptist Church of Valdosta, Ga., will be the guest speaker that evening and special music will be provided by the Grace Baptist Church Music Department. Everyone is welcome. Dr. Murrell Bennett is the pastor. Cherry Lake Baptist is located at 1308 NW County Road 150 in Cherry Lake.

April 14

Rev. Steve McHargue, of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, will be the guest speaker at the Holy Week Service to be held Monday, April 14, at noon at Grace Presbyterian Church, located at 668 North Washington Street in Madison.

April 14

Cherry Lake Baptist Church will hold a revival service Monday evening, April 14, at 7 p.m. Dr. Danny Ray, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Nashville, Ga., will be the guest speaker that evening and music will be provided by Cherry Lake Baptist Church. Everyone is welcome. Dr. Murrell Bennett is the pastor. Cherry Lake Baptist is located at 1308 NW County Road 150 in Cherry Lake.

April 14

Rev. Toney Hill,

pastor of Greenville Baptist Church, will bring the message during the Death to Life Holy Week service held Monday evening, April 14, at Hopewell Baptist Church, located at 4730 SW County Road 360 in Madison. Food will be served in the fellowship hall beginning at 6:30 p.m. Service will begin at 7 p.m. Rev. Preston Gainey is the pastor of Hopewell Baptist Church. All are welcome.

April 14

The memorial of Jesus Christ's death will be observed on Monday, April 14, at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, beginning at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. The Kingdom Hall is located at 1802 Colin Kelly Highway in Madison.

April 15

Bishop Mike Carson, of Dowling Park Church of God, will be the guest speaker for the Holy Week service to be held Tuesday, April 15, at noon at Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church, located at 221 SW Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive in Madison. Rev. Marcus Hawkins is the church's pastor. A lunch will be served following the service.

April 15

Cherry Lake Baptist Church will hold a revival service

Tuesday evening, April 15, at 7 p.m. Rev. Carlton Allen, from First Baptist Church of Stockton, Ga., will be the guest speaker that evening and music will be provided by Cherry Lake Baptist Church. Everyone is welcome. Dr. Murrell Bennett is the pastor. Cherry Lake Baptist is located at 1308 NW County Road 150 in Cherry Lake.

April 15

Rev. Preston Gainey, pastor of Hopewell Baptist Church, will bring the message during the Death to Life Holy Week service held Tuesday evening, April 15, at Sirmans Baptist Church, located at 168 SW Sirmans Church Way, just off US 221, south of Greenville, south of Interstate 10, 241 exit. Food will be served in the fellowship hall beginning at 6:30 p.m. Service will begin at 7 p.m. Rev. Jimmy Fletcher is the pastor of Sirmans Baptist Church. All are welcome.

April 16

Rev. Marcus Hawkins, pastor of Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church in Madison, will be the guest speaker at the Holy Week service to be held Wednesday, April 16, at noon at the First United Methodist Church, located at 348 SE Rutledge Street in Madison. Rev. Bob Laidlaw is the pastor of

the church. A lunch will be served following the service.

April 16

Cherry Lake Baptist Church will hold a revival service Wednesday evening, April 16, at 7 p.m., Rev. Larry Harris, from Northside Baptist Church in Quitman, Ga., will be the guest speaker that evening and music will be provided by the Master's Gospel Singers. Everyone is welcome. Dr. Murrell Bennett is the pastor. Cherry Lake Baptist is located at 1308 NW County Road 150 in Cherry Lake.

April 16

Midway Baptist Church, located on Midway Church Road, will hold their monthly Family Night dinner beginning at 6 p.m. Service will follow at 7 p.m.

April 16

Rev. Jimmy Fletcher, pastor of Sirmans Baptist Church, will bring the message during the Death to Life Holy Week service held Wednesday evening, April 16, at St. John's Baptist Church, located at 5905 NW Lovett Road, northeast of Greenville. Food will be served in the fellowship hall beginning at 6:30 p.m. Service will begin at 7 p.m. Rev. John Ballard is the pastor of St. John's Baptist Church. All are wel-

come.

April 17

Rev. Bryan Phillips, pastor of Faith Baptist Church in Madison, will be the guest speaker at the Holy Week Service to be held Thursday, April 17, at noon at Mt. Zion A.M.E. Church, located at 518 Dade Street in Madison. Rev. Charles Evans is the pastor. A lunch will be served following the service.

April 17

Lee United Methodist Church will host a Maundy Thursday service on Thursday, April 17, from 6-8:30 p.m., in the church's fellowship hall. "The Immersion Experience" into Christ's passion will be an evening of fellowship and worship. This will be followed immediately by communion. Everyone is welcome.

April 17

Rev. John Ballard, pastor of St. John's Baptist Church, will bring the message during the Death to Life Holy Week service held Thursday evening, April 17, at New Home Baptist Church, located at 1100 SW Moseley Hall Road in the New Home community. Food will be served in the fellowship hall beginning at 6:30 p.m. Service will begin at 7 p.m. Rev. Benjie Dyal is the pastor of New Home Baptist Church. All are welcome.



April 18

Rev. Bob Laidlaw, pastor of the First United Methodist Church in Madison, will be the guest speaker at the April 18 Good Friday Holy Week service to be held at noon at the First Baptist Church, located at 134 SW Meeting Avenue in Madison. Rev. Gabe Krell is the pastor. A lunch will be served following the service.

April 18

Pine Grove Baptist Church, located at 4084 NE Rocky Ford Road, north of Madison, will hold a Solemn Assembly on Good Friday, April 18, as they end a 40-day fast, praying to see God move in their church. The prayer and worship meeting will begin at 6 p.m. The Solemn Assembly will conclude with a feast of celebration. Rev. Timmy Dyke is the pastor of Pine Grove Baptist. All are welcome to attend.

April 18

Rev. Benjie Dyal, pastor of New Home Baptist Church, will bring the message during the Death to Life Holy Week service held Friday evening, April 18, at Greenville Baptist Church, located at 1365 West Main Street in Greenville.

Church Calendar



Food will be served in the fellowship hall beginning at 6:30 p.m. Service will begin at 7 p.m. Rev. Toney Hill is the pastor of Greenville Baptist Church. All are welcome.

April 20

Easter morning will begin at Beulah Baptist Church with the pastor reading a devotional before an Easter breakfast at 9 a.m. During the worship service at 11 a.m., there will be an Easter program of music, followed by the narrative of the resurrection of Jesus Christ. The church is located at 1258 NE Beulah Church Road, east of Lee. Everyone is welcome. Rev. T.J. Santerfeit is the pastor.

April 20

Bible Deliverance Church will host an Easter egg hunt, followed by dinner in the church fellowship hall after their Easter morning service on Sunday, April 20. Bible Deliverance Church is located at 720 SW Range Avenue in Madison. Rev. Thomas Thigpen is the pastor.

April 20

Faith Baptist Church will host a community Easter sunrise service on Sunday,

April 20, at Lake Francis. Everyone is invited to take part in the service. Rev. Bryan Phillips is the pastor of Faith Baptist Church, located at 1155 East US 90 in Madison.

April 20

First United Methodist Church of Madison invites everyone to their Easter Sunday service and confirmation service as the youth who have went through the training are confirmed on April 20, beginning at 11 a.m. First UMC is located at 348 SE Rutledge Street in Madison. Rev. Bob Laidlaw is the pastor. All are welcome.

April 20

Hopewell Baptist Church will hold their Easter sunrise service on Easter Sunday at 7 a.m. At the Bailey Pavilion on Sundown Creek Road. This will be followed by an Easter morning breakfast and then the Sunday School and church services. Hopewell Baptist is located at 4730 County Road 360 in Madison County. Rev. Preston Gainey is the pastor. All are welcome.

April 20

Lee First Baptist Church and Lee United Methodist Church will

hold a combined Easter Sunrise (Sunrise) Service, beginning at 7 a.m., at Lake Brittany, next to Lee Town Hall in Lee. Rev. Sammy Hiers is the pastor of Lee First Baptist and Rev. Brian Sanderson is the pastor of Lee United Methodist. All are welcome.

April 20

Midway Baptist Church, located on Midway Church Road, will host Easter Sunrise services on Sunday, April 20. This will be followed by a breakfast immediately after. Sunday School will begin at 10 a.m., followed by a cantata and morning worship at 11 a.m. There will be no regular song service during the morning worship service and there will be no evening services. Rev. Jeff Bailey is the pastor. Everyone is welcome.

April 20

Midway Church of God, located at 2485 SE Midway Church Road, will hold their Easter service with Sunday School, beginning at 10 a.m., morning worship at 11 a.m. An Easter egg hunt for the children will immediately follow the morning worship. A fellowship luncheon will follow the egg hunt. Rev. Retis

Flowers is the pastor. Everyone is welcome.

April 20

Hickory Grove, Pinetta, Hanson and Rocky Springs United Methodist Churches will come together for an Easter Sunrise Service at the cemetery at Hickory Grove UMC at 7 a.m. A breakfast will follow. This will be followed by an egg hunt for the children, followed by the regular church service. Rev. Tim Blanton is the pastor of Hickory Grove and Pinetta United Methodist Churches. All are welcome.

April 20

Hanson United Methodist Church and Rocky Springs United Methodist Church will hold a combined morning worship service on Easter Sunday at 11 a.m. A lunch will follow. Rev. Michael Halley is the pastor of Hanson and Rocky Springs United Methodist Churches. All are welcome.

April 20

Pine Grove Baptist Church will hold their Easter morning service. Sunday School begins at 10 a.m. Morning worship at 11 a.m. The worship service will feature cantata type music and will be followed by dinner on



the grounds. Pine Grove Baptist Church is located at 4084 NE Rocky Ford Road, north of Madison. Rev. Timmy Dyke is the pastor.

April 26

Greenville's Renewed Life Outreach Center will host a community outreach at Haffye Hays Park in Greenville, beginning at 11 a.m. On Saturday, April 26. Rev. Chris Peterson, pastor of the church, will deliver the message and Desmond Roberson will lead the music. Food will be served to everyone following the service. All are welcome. Renewed Life Outreach Center is located at 1376 SW Grand Street in Greenville.

April 27

Cherry Lake First Baptist Church will be holding their homecoming service beginning at 10:30 a.m. Special music will be provided by New Tradition from Nashville, Ga. The morning message will be delivered by Dr. Tom Studstill from Westside Baptist Church in Adel, Ga. Everyone is welcome. Dr. Murrell Bennett is the pastor. Cherry Lake Baptist is located at 1308 NW County Road 150 in Cherry Lake.



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 Morning Worship11:00 a.m.
 Evening - BTC.....6:30 p.m.
 Evening Worship.....7:30 p.m.

Wednesday

Prayer Meeting7:30 p.m.

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Sunday School: 10 a.m.
 Worship service: 11 a.m.
 Wednesday Prayer Meeting: 6 p.m.

***Spring Revival Series Set At
 Cherry Lake First Baptist***

Submitted by Murrell Bennett,
 Pastor
Cherry Lake First Baptist Church

All the church family of Cherry Lake First Baptist would love to welcome everyone to our Spring Revival Series which will start beginning Sunday evening, April 13, at 6 p.m., and continue through Wednesday April 16. The Monday through Wednesday meetings will all begin at 7 p.m.

We have an exciting preaching line-up to share with our community.

On Sunday evening, we will start off our revival with Rev. Ferrell Morris of Grace Baptist Church of Valdosta, Ga. Our special music that evening will be provided by the Grace Baptist Music Department.

Monday night, we will be worshipping with Dr. Danny Ray from First Baptist of Nashville, Ga., and Cherry Lake will be providing the special music.

Tuesday night, Rev. Carlton Allen from First Baptist Church of

Stockton, Ga., will deliver the message. Cherry Lake Baptist will host the music on Tuesday night.

On Wednesday evening, Rev. Larry Harris from Northside Baptist in Quitman, Ga., will be preaching. Special music on Wednesday will be provided by The Master's Gospel Singers.

Please make your plans to worship with us at Cherry Lake if you are free for any of these services.

We welcome everyone to come and join with us in any of our regular services any time you can. God has been blessing and we have been enjoying His Presence.

Come see us!!!

Sunday School - 10 a.m.

Sunday Morning Worship - 11 a.m.

Choir Practice Sunday - 5:15 p.m.

Discipleship Training Sunday - 6 p.m.

Sunday Evening Worship - 6:30 p.m.

Prayer and Bible Study Wednesday - 6:30 p.m.



**Beulah Baptist Church Youth
 To Take Part In
 Gigantic Yard Sale**

By Jacob Bembry
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Beulah Baptist Church youth will take part in the Flea Across Florida gigantic yard sale, beginning Thursday, April 10.

The youth of the church will be selling all sorts of good things and rummage items. They will also have

hot dogs and other goodies available for the hungry and thirsty shoppers.

The Beulah Baptist Church youth will be set up at Don Bradfield's old home place, east of Lee, on the way to Beulah Baptist Church Road.

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Madison Church Of Christ To Host Homecoming And Revival

By Jacob Bemby
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The Madison Church of Christ will search for truth as they hold their homecoming and revival, beginning Easter morning, April 20.

Using the theme, "Searching for Truth," it will begin with a lesson on "Searching for Spiritual Authority" during the 10 a.m., Sunday Bible class.

The theme during the morning service, which will be held at 11 a.m., will be "Searching for Truth."

The revival will continue that evening at 6 p.m. The theme for the evening will be "Searching for the Meaning of Truth."

The Monday evening, April 21, service will begin at 7 p.m. The service will feature the theme, "Searching for the Truth About the Church."

The revival will close with the evening service set for Tuesday, April 22, at 7 p.m. The theme for the evening will be "Searching for the Truth About Salvation."

Everyone is cordially welcome to attend the homecoming and revival services at Madison Church of Christ, located at 701 South Range Street in Madison.

Ray Joyner is the minister of the Church of Christ. He will be bringing the messages each service.



Midway Church Of God Continues Easter Tradition



By Jacob Bemby
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Continuing a tradition that has been in place for years, Midway Church of God invites everyone to attend their Easter service and egg hunt on Sunday, April 20.

The morning will begin with Sunday School at 10 a.m. This will be followed by worship and the Easter message delivered by the church's pastor, starting at 11 a.m.

After the morning worship service, those in attendance will go outside where children will be divided into two groups – older and younger children – and go on an Easter egg hunt. There will also be special prize eggs in the plastic eggs, which are filled with candy.

Following the hunt, members and guests will go to the church fellowship hall for a delicious dinner of finger foods, drinks and desserts.

Midway Church of God is located at 2485 SE Midway Church Road, just off County Road 255, south of Interstate 10, 262 exit, or off County Road 53, south of Interstate 10, 258 exit.



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Historical Account Of The Madison Church Of Christ

At least two efforts were made in the late 1940s and early 1950s to establish a congregation of the Church of Christ in Madison.

In late 1948 (early 1949), an advertisement ran in *The Madison Enterprise Recorder*, requesting that any member of the Church of Christ located in Madison County to contact Mr. or Mrs. Carter. Irene and Jack Cozart contacted the Carters and learned that a tent meeting was being conducted as part of an effort to establish a church in Madison. The tent was located on the corner of South Duval (Florida Hwy 53) and SW Milliner Street.

The first meeting was held in March/April of 1950, with Mr. P.G. Roberts conducting the meeting; Madison County families in attendance were the Carters, Cozarts, Roberts and Judge Kellys. Even with low visitor attendance, a decision was made to begin Bible Study and Worship Services on Sunday mornings. P. G. Roberts continued until the summer of 1950, when the other families made the decision to attend the Church in Quitman, Ga.

In the spring of 1951, A.L. Colson visited with the Cozart family and discussed the possibility of holding a tent meeting in Cherry Lake and/or Madison. In May of that year, a tent meeting was held at the intersection of County Road 150 and State Road 53 North, with A.L. Colson conducting the meetings and Roy Dasher as song leader.

During 1951, other tent meetings were conducted throughout Madison County including Pinetta, Lee, Mosley Hall, Greenville and Sirmans. A.L. Colson invited ministers from Georgia, Florida, Texas, Missouri and Tennessee to come and conduct the meetings. The gospel meetings were also supported by other congregations from Jennings, Valdosta, Ga., Quitman, Ga., Oak Grove, Ga., and Dasher, Ga.

In April or May of 1951, a tent meeting was held across the street from the present church building located on South Range Street. It was during this meeting that the decision was made to begin having Sunday services in the tent location until a permanent building/location was secured. By June

17, 1951; the services were moved to Claude Colson's office, located in the REA Building on Duval Street. Worship services began at 2:30 p.m. in order to give those members of supporting congregations the opportunity to attend the afternoon services. Services continued in the REA building until a permanent site would be located.

After meeting in the temporary location for several months, it appeared that the church would be permanent and could eventually become self-supporting. The decision was made by the members to purchase property and build a church building with an auditorium and two class rooms. The search began late summer of 1951 to locate a suitable site, determine cost of the property, building and secure financing. By the end of 1951, the present day site had been purchased. Construction of the building would have to be delayed in order to get more funding, but plans were drawn up of the future cement block building.

To further the building project, cost was determined and a bond issue was the method of financing the construction cost. In 1952, the church was incorporated and trustees appointed in compliance with the Florida laws. Claude Colson, Jack Cozart and Butch Favors were appointed trustees.

Construction began in late 1952 thru 1953, under the supervision of A.L. Colson. Subcontractors and other skilled laborers were hired to work beside the church members from Madison and volunteers from supporting area congregations. The building was completed in early 1954 and the first worship services were held in March/April of 1954 and continue through today.

The list of evangelists and preachers who have been part of Madison Church of Christ over the past 63 years includes:

A. Leon Colson, Gus Wisenbaker, Horace Royals, Sr., Joe Dasher, Jim Mabry, Herman Henderson, Ansel Chandler, Jack Dasher, Prewitte Copeland, Bob Rowell, Marlin Carpenter, Charles (Chuck) Webb, Marty Harrison, Lemuel Copeland, Bill Naylor, Garry Ferrell, Bee Scaggs, Mack Hamm and Ray Joyner.

Greenville Churches To Celebrate Risen Savior With Joint Sunrise Service

By Jacob Bemby
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As the sun rises on Easter morning, churches throughout Greenville, will meet at Haffye Hays Park for the Easter sunrise service.

As the sun glistens down upon the water in the Haffye Hays Park, the Easter message with resound with joy to the message that "Jesus is Risen." The sound echoes off ripples in the water and returns, proclaiming, "He is risen indeed!"

Everyone is invited to share in the joy of the Greenville community that day as they celebrate the birth of the risen Savior, with a tradition that brings all people, from all races and socio-economic backgrounds together.

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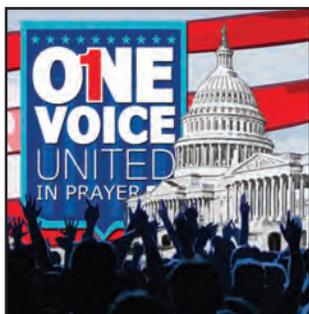
Plans Underway For National Day Of Prayer And Bible Reading In The Park

By Jacob Bemby
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A committee formed to set up the annual marathon Bible reading in Four Freedoms Park and the National Day of Prayer met on Thursday, April 3, in the Fellowship Hall at First United Methodist Church in Madison.

The topic of discussion was getting the word out so that others can know about both events and sign up for the Bible reading and be on hand to enjoy the National Day of Prayer service, which will be held on Thursday, May 1, at noon at the Gazebo.

The Bible reading will be continuous from Sunday until Thursday at noon as volunteers



will begin reading aloud from Genesis through Revelation.

Committee members discussed getting the word out in the newspaper, as well as on radio, by word of mouth and on Facebook.

If you would like to sign up for a spot to read during the Bible reading marathon, please call (850) 973-3238.



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Members of the committee: (seated left to right) Jenny Andrews, Vicki Howerton, Brain Sanderson and Kay Harris. (Standing left to right): Elmire Cantey, Michael Halley and Mariam Stephens.

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