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## Greenville Resident Dies in Car Wreck



Charles Berton Delahunt

By Jessie R. Box  
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A local Greenville resident died in a car wreck on Monday, May 19 in Taylor County at 5 p.m. According to the Florida Highway Patrol report, Austin Levi Goit, age 21, a resident of Greenville, was traveling westbound on Pleasant Grove Road, east of US Hwy 19, on a curve and traveled into the path of Charles Berton Delahunt, age 43, also a resident of Greenville. Delahunt had been traveling eastbound on

Pleasant Grove Road. The front of Goit's Chevrolet Trailblazer collided with the front of Delahunt's Dodge Dakota.

Goit's vehicle rotated clockwise onto the south shoulder and came to a final resting place facing north on the shoulder. Delahunt's vehicle came to a resting place facing the southeast direction in the eastbound lane.

Goit had minor injuries and was transported to Doctor's Memorial Hospital, in Perry. Delahunt was pronounced deceased at the scene.

### Wet Winter, Spring Produces Highest Levels Since 2005

April marked the fifth month of above average rainfall for most counties within the Suwannee River Water Management District (District). According to the District's hydrologic conditions report, an average of 6.47 inches of rainfall fell in April which is almost double the historical average. It has been the 9<sup>th</sup> wettest winter and spring since 1932.

Most of the rainfall in April was caused by three systems that dropped up to 14 inches in the upper Suwannee River basin and 12 inches in coastal areas. Minor to moderate flooding occurred on portions of the Suwannee and Alapaha rivers. Portions of the Aucilla and Steinhatchee rivers also experienced minor flooding. The Santa Fe River at Three Rivers Estates experienced major flooding as the river rose to its highest level since April 2009. Three Rivers Estates has been above flood stage since March 21.

Many springs on the Suwannee River have been or are closed to swimming and diving due to inundation from river water. Rising river levels can slow or reverse spring flow, causing river water to flow into springs. In April, the Suwannee River flowed into White Sulphur Springs for the fourth month in a row. The flow into the aquifer was measured at 86 million gallons per day on April 16 just before the springhouse became flooded. Fanning Springs also experienced a reversal in flow last month.

Groundwater levels have been increasing since February, and levels are currently the highest since 2005.

The high groundwater levels, including the highest levels in 20 years near Mayo in Lafayette County, will sustain spring and river levels for months.

"When the river drops, we expect to see spring flows we haven't seen since 1998," said District Senior Professional Engineer Megan Wetherington.

To keep informed on hydrologic conditions, visit the District's website at [www.mysuwanneeriver.com](http://www.mysuwanneeriver.com).

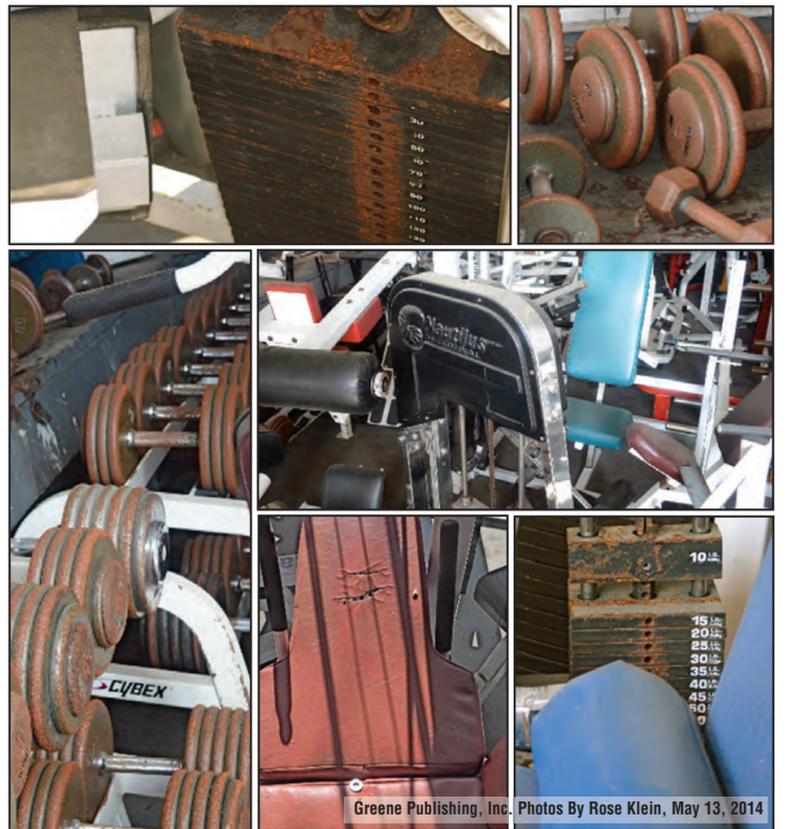
## Local Alumnus Challenges Architect On MCHS Building

By Amber Houston  
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Construction is still in the planning stages after two years on a weightlifting building at Madison County High School (MCHS). The weightlifting building was the brainchild of MCHS contributor and Madison native, Frank Argenbright, Jr. When he discovered a weightlifting set for sale that once belonged

to the Jacksonville Jaguars, he knew that he very much wanted the set to belong to MCHS. Argenbright bought and donated it on the spot. The set is enough to furnish an entire weightlifting gym, and valued at about \$200,000 according to Argenbright.

Though he has mostly been a contributor to the football players and team, Argenbright expressed, "I wanted this to be



common use—for every student that was interested in weight training." He has donated to MCHS quite generously over 30 years.

The class of 1966 soon jumped on board with the same spirit of generosity, raising a considerable amount of money towards a building in which to house the equipment. Class member Martha Beggs said, "We are so fortunate to have Frankie in our class. Some people make it big and forget where they come from,

but Frankie has never forgotten his roots and he does so much for Madison students. We're also fortunate to have such a close class: we also try hard to come up with ways to help the student body: this wasn't just some wild idea we had off the top of our heads—a lot of planning, fundraising and time went into it."

The arrangement was that the school district would handle the rest of the funding that their generous dona-

tions did not cover. This would allow the class to help defray the expensive of the building.

Unfortunately, some specifications turned out to be more expensive than were initially expected. One example is bathrooms for the students: where bathrooms seem to be commonplace and inexpensive, the site is not set up with sewer and water. Extending the sewer and water lines can be expensive, and

After seeing these pictures, my heart is broken because this equipment was in very good shape when I purchased it, in December 2012. What a shame!

— Frank Argenbright.

## Resolution Marks 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Of The Cooperative Extension Service



Greene Publishing, Inc. Photo By Lynette Norris, May 14, 2014

At its regular meeting, Madison County Commission approved Resolution 2014-05-14, recognizing the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Cooperative Extension Service. The service is a partnership between federal, state and county governments to provide useful scientific knowledge and expertise to the public in areas such as sustainable agriculture, livestock, health and nutrition, food safety, consumer issues and caregiving among other things, through a network of county and local offices. Representing the Cooperative Extension Service for Madison County are (left to right): Diann Douglas, Melva Morfaw, Becky Bennett and Dan Fenneman.

## Madison County Building Department Issues 54 Permits

By Jessie R. Box  
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The April permit report for Madison County Building Department shows that there was a total of 54 permits issued. This is down from the 59 permits issued in March. New residential construction had one permit issued. There were no commercial projects for the month of April. The electrical permits were the highest of permits issued with 15 in total. Roofing permits were the second most requested with eight permits, which is up from the one request in

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### Local Weather

<b>Wed</b> 5/21 88/65 Times of sun and clouds. Highs in the upper 80s and lows in the mid 60s.	<b>Thu</b> 5/22 91/66 Sunny. Highs in the low 90s and lows in the mid 60s.	<b>Fri</b> 5/23 93/68 Abundant sunshine. Highs in the low 90s and lows in the upper 60s.	<b>Sat</b> 5/24 93/68 Partly cloudy. Highs in the low 90s and lows in the upper 60s.
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# VIEWPOINTS & OPINIONS

## National Security

### Scandal



**Joe Boyles**  
Guest Columnist

There seem to be a lot of scandals these days revolving around Washington politics. The list is exhaustive and growing: ATF gun running; Benghazi; IRS targeting; GSA malfeasance; false Obamacare promises; and now, a VA waiting list that has resulted in untreated patient deaths. Many of these scandals also involve a 'cover up' where officials have misled the public and Congress, maybe even destroying incriminating documents.

Of course, not everyone thinks these incidents are scandals. President Obama has referred to at least some as "phony scandals" when speaking to his supporters.

Regardless of where you stand on whether or not these incidents rise to the standard of scandal or rather, political hype, they are certainly messy affairs and lead to an overall mistrust in the Federal government. From my viewpoint, politics has been involved in at least some of these affairs. For example, the IRS targeting business specifically addressed conservative organizations. Their applications for tax-exempt status have been unduly delayed and some of their donors audited.

Now that House Speaker John Boehner has approved a select committee to investigate the September 11, 2012 Benghazi consulate attack, we may get lingering questions finally answered, such as: 1) why were we still in Benghazi when every other western diplomatic mission had been withdrawn because of the dangerous situation; 2) why were we unprepared for the attack on the anniversary of 9/11 and why was Ambassador Stevens left essentially unprotected; 3) why didn't military forces in Italy respond when the attack first happened to protect the consulate annex; and 4) why were the American people misled as to the motive of the attack? These are the big questions; a good prosecutor will ask many more to unwind this ball of string.

The most recent scandal involving the Veterans Administration will be interesting to watch unfold because so far, everyone appears to be outraged by these untreated veteran's deaths, first in Phoenix and now at hospitals elsewhere. Now, there are 19 states

where VA hospitals are the targets of similar patient complaints. The criticism seems to be non-partisan but be wary -- initially the criticism of the IRS targeting was also non-partisan, but that certainly isn't the case now.

I have a new theory to advance that takes some of these scandals outside the realm of politics. What if the underlying cause of these incidents is merely government bureaucracy run amuck? Has government (in this case, Federal) gotten so large and intrusive that it stumbles over itself, generating poor service at best and scandalous behavior at worst? I wouldn't be surprised if this was at least some of the answer in every case.

If I'm right, then I don't see any improvement in the future. Washington only gets bigger. Republicans beat their chests and talk about smaller government all the time, but all I ever see them do is possibly slow the rate of growth. Democrats love government; the bigger, the better. From where I sit, Washington only seems to grow. Bloat, overlap and inefficiency are the hallmarks. If not, then why are there 47 job training programs spread across nine cabinet level agencies? Is it metaphoric that the most popular current movie is a re-make of Godzilla?

For the life of me, I don't see any way to tame the beast. If the budget is cut in real terms (as opposed of the rate of growth), then maybe there will be some shrinkage, but when is the last time you saw that happen? Twenty years ago, Bill Clinton assigned Al Gore to reform government services. How did that work out? If I sound a little cynical, you're right!

After years of withering criticism, HHS Secretary Kathleen Sibelius finally resigned, and now the long knives are out for VA Secretary Eric Shinseki, but is anyone capable of taming a huge government bureaucracy like the ones we're talking about? I have my doubts. If Hillary Clinton becomes the Democrat nominee in 2016, then there will plenty of criticism of her tenure at State. Do you realize that more than 90 thousand people work in the Department of State? Turning around such an organization is like changing course for an aircraft carrier running at flank speed.

In closing, let me advance one more theory -- these types of scandals proliferate and plague a president's second term. It happened with Johnson, Nixon, Reagan, Clinton and Bush. Now Obama is similarly beset. It's going to get worse. Standby.

## Letter To The Editor

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### Let's Set The Record Straight

Dear Editor,

In regards to the recent letter "Let's Review Congressman Steve Southerland," I feel compelled to set the record straight. First off, Congressman Southerland voted over four times to avert a government shutdown, but the refusal of Senate Democrats to give up their special exemptions under Obamacare caused the government to shutdown not Congressman Southerland.

Regarding the House budget, I think most residents of North Florida would prefer a budget that actually cuts spending and balances, instead of the Senate Democrats who have yet to even consider a budget other than the President's budget that will never balance and raises taxes.

Even further from the truth is attacking Congressman Southerland's record on transportation. As a conferee on the previous transportation reauthorization bill, he helped deliver one of the most critical pieces of legislation in recent years. Congressman Southerland also served a conferee on the recent Farm Bill, helping pass another vital piece of legislation for our area. Being a small business owner before being elected to Congress, Congressman Southerland is also aware of the dangers that have come with drastically raising the minimum wage. Non-partisan re-

searchers have already made clear that the President's plan to raise the minimum wage could cost America one million jobs. The market will set wages based on supply and demand, that's why the vast majority of workers today earn above minimum wage. As a local business owner I want the right to set the wages of my employees not the federal government.

Lastly and probably the most ridiculous claim, is the idea Congressman Southerland is opposed to equal pay. Having four daughters of his own, you can hear the passion and pride the Congressman has for his daughters when he talks about them. Attacks on equal pay are part of the Washington political game that is aimed at dividing the American people.

Let me finish with this. Congressman Southerland is one of us. He was raised here in North Florida and shares our values. Does the Left really think of us as ignorant and we need to be told what insurance to buy, how much to pay our workers, or where and when it's ok to practice our Christian faith? I can say with certainty Congressman Southerland believes he can save the U.S. tax payers time and money by allowing us to make intelligent decisions on our own, with out the help of Washington.

Sincerely,  
J.D. James

## Searching For Ambrosia

### Breakfast Food Is Almost Perfection



**Rose Klein**  
Columnist

I must be on a blueberry kick, because here I am with another blueberry recipe. When I have blueberries, there are two foods I usually think of first: pancakes and muffins. Both of these are considered breakfast foods, but I use "breakfast" loosely because I enjoy eating these foods at any hour of the day.

Blueberry muffins are something I make different every time I bake them. I haven't been able to find my "perfect" muffin yet and so I'm always playing with my recipe, adjusting things here and there, searching for the recipe that will create the muffin I "taste" in my mind. I can't say I'm "there" just yet, but I finally have the base recipe that I think will give me what I'm looking for.

Sometimes I wonder if my search for perfection goes too far. Perfectionists have a rough road in life, as do those around them. Not only are perfectionists hard on themselves, criticizing every fault they feel they make, but they also tend to be too hard on those around them, making it uncomfortable for all involved. In my personal life, I'm striving to ease up on perfection and have actually made progress. My home is not as spotless as it once was and I can now focus on my family and friends more when they visit instead of worrying if my baseboards are squeaky clean. I don't worry as much about what others think of me (my "too many" dogs, my clothes, my words, etc.), but sometimes I still regress and beat myself up unnecessarily. Unfortunately, I know I'm not alone in dealing

with perfection and all that goes with it, but I do have hope that I (and others) will learn to see themselves as well as those around them in a more positive light and to focus on the good, and not on perfection.

Food, on the other hand, I still strive for perfection on, well, because it is FUN. Adjusting recipes and playing with additions and subtractions of ingredients is more than work or a hobby, it is play-time for me. I also know I'm not the only one out there who feels this way either, so I'm offering my "base" blueberry muffin recipe for you to play with. Have fun!

#### Almost There Blueberry Muffins

**Muffins:**  
1 1/4 c flour  
1/2 c sugar  
1 1/2 tsp. baking powder  
1/2 tsp. salt  
3/4 c buttermilk  
1/4 c cooking oil  
1 egg  
1 tsp. vanilla extract  
1 c (6 oz.) fresh blueberries

**Streusel:**  
1/2 c flour  
1/2 c brown sugar  
1/4 c old-fashioned oats  
1/4 tsp. cinnamon  
1/4 tsp. salt  
4 tbsp. butter, melted

Preheat oven to 425 degrees. Line 12 muffin cups with liners and spray with non-stick cooking spray; set aside.

**For muffins:** In a medium bowl, combine flour, sugar, baking powder and salt. In a small bowl, whisk buttermilk, oil, egg and vanilla until combined and add to flour mixture. Stir in blueberries and divide evenly into prepared muffin cups.

**For streusel:** In a small bowl, combine flour, sugar, oats, cinnamon and salt. Stir in butter until crumbly and sprinkle evenly over batter in cups.

Bake about 15 minutes or until a toothpick inserted in center comes out clean. Allow muffins to cool in pan for a few minutes, remove from pan and cool on a wire rack.



## Florida TaxWatch NEWS RELEASE

### TaxWatch Highlights What Passed And Failed For Taxpayers In 2014

A new report from Florida TaxWatch highlights the final status and fiscal implications of major legislation considered during the 2014 Legislative Session. The report, 2014 Legislative Wrap Up, analyzes bills aligning with Florida TaxWatch research and recommendations, and explains how they will impact taxpayers.

"Florida TaxWatch applauds the Legislature for prioritizing important reforms for Floridians this year that will save taxpayers' hard-earned dollars," said Dominic M. Calabro, President and CEO of Florida TaxWatch, an independent, nonpartisan, non-profit taxpayer research institute and government watchdog. "While the Legislature took up and passed many bills containing TaxWatch recommendations based on our independent analysis, we look forward to them returning to Tallahassee next year to continue advancing cost-saving reforms, such as pension reform and telemedicine expansion."

Several of the bills supported by TaxWatch that are highlighted in the report are bills to expand reentry and diversion programs to reduce

the state's prison population, a measure to create an Agency for State Technology to oversee the state's IT spending, and a comprehensive tax cut package expected to save Florida taxpayers \$500 million.

In addition to identifying measures passed by the Legislature during the 2014 Session, the report also identifies bills with a fiscal impact that were not sent to the Governor's desk. Several of these bills, supported by TaxWatch, include pension reform measures at the state and local levels, expanding access to health care through APRN and telemedicine expansion, and reducing the Communications Services Tax for Floridians, which can be greater than 16 percent in some parts of the state.

"Overall the Legislature filed and passed fewer bills during the 2014 Session than in any year since at least 2001, but many of them will result in a positive impact on Florida taxpayers," said Kurt Wenner, Vice President of Tax Research at TaxWatch. "One major positive Legislative effort was to provide tax relief for the hard working Floridians whose taxes were increased to pay for a budget deficit in 2009."

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March. Mechanical permits were requested seven times. This is down from the 11 permits issued in March. Plumbing permits were issued six times. Other permits category such as demolition had six permits issued. Fire safety permits was issued three times. Renovations or remodeling permits was issued two times. The mobile homes or modular setup was issued once and the mobile homes permit was issued once. The total fees collected for April was \$7,584.02.



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## Challenge

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certainly impacted the price of the building.

The question is this: how much is reasonable? Argenbright reports that he originally expected the building to cost \$100,000 to \$150,000 and to be completed in three months. Even with the unforeseen expenses, Argenbright denies that the new price is fair: which is in the range of \$200,000 to \$250,000.

He immediately requested the bid specifications—that is, the amount each company would charge for their part in the construction. A year has passed since then and almost a dozen phone calls, and Rutherford would not give the bids to Argenbright. This led the latter to accuse the former.

“Will Rutherford would not provide any bid specs despite 10 phone calls pleading with him to do this over the last two years,” said Argenbright. We have finally gotten the bid specs, only after this article was in process. I’m frustrated because the equipment I donated has been rusting in a warehouse for two years. I expected the building to be finished sooner, and now there are students who have graduated without being able to use the facility.”

When the school board said that they could not afford over \$200,000, Rutherford brought back a new plan that included no offices, no bathrooms, and even lacked air conditioning. Argenbright refuses to accept these mean accommo-

dations for the student body. Meanwhile, the equipment he bought has been placed in storage, without being used.

“The way he has acted is unconscionable after the hard work of so many people to get this effort underway and build a great facility for our students. I am highly suspicious of his motives. When someone is not forthcoming, you wonder what they are really up to,” Argenbright said.

To that, Rutherford said, “The District has had the bids: it’s their project. I had tried to send them to Mr. Argenbright, but his email would not accept them. You have to understand that I am not being paid for this: I have done my part in this project until the school board approves one plan or another.” According to Rutherford’s e-mail, Argenbright received the specs on April 30, 2014.

And as for the price, Rutherford said, “Everyone would like a really nice facility, but someone has to pay for it. The district just doesn’t have the money for it.” In summary, Rutherford considers that he has done his due diligence by getting the bids to the school district, which is the organization that secured his services, and that the pricing is based on the construction contractors: not his business practices.

Argenbright disagrees.

“I cannot praise Coach Coe, his fellow coaches, Superintendent Brown and the

school board members enough – they have supported this project from day one. We are united in wanting to provide a gym, with world class equipment, for use by all MCHS students. However, my experience with Will Rutherford, his attitude and lack of communication, all indicate he feels he runs the school in relation to any building project. I care deeply about the people of Madison and I was told MCHS got \$18 million for a building project. So, my question is: Are you just going to hand this project and this money to a local architectural firm without competitive bids?”

Superintendent Doug Brown refused to pick a side, releasing this statement: “Our resources are unfortunately limited. We are trying to come up with a design that we can fund.” He did, however, reassure the county that they would all continue trying to reach a solution. Said Brown, “We are continuing to work together to try and build a facility that meets our budgetary requirements and the needs of the student athletes.”

Argenbright is not impressed. He closed with this sentiment: “My promise is that I will get another architect involved and we will put this building out to bid to several companies to get the best possible price so that we can build this facility for all the kids in Madison County High School to use and we will get it built within our budget.”



*World News*  
By Rose Klein

### Stale Cinnamon Roll Results In Shooting Threat

In Mount Pleasant, S.C., a customer became so upset over an alleged stale cinnamon roll that she threatened to “shoot down the place.” One of three unidentified women who entered a Burger King in Mount Pleasant became enraged after ordering a Cinnabon roll, saying it wasn’t fresh and began yelling at employees. The manager was unable to calm the woman down and she reportedly placed her hand in her purse and said, “I’m going to shoot down the place.” I wasn’t scared,” said witness Haley Besson, “because I was like, the whole time, I was just like, ‘this is over a cinnamon bun right now. They don’t have their priorities together.’” The woman never pulled a gun and left when employees threatened to call police.

### Bacon Schmacon

In Chicago, at the National Restaurant Association conference, a new food product Schmacon, was unveiled. After about two years in development, Howard Bender of Schmaltz Products, is advertising Schmacon as a bacon alternative. Made of “Smoked and cured glazed beef slices (it is) smoky, sweet and outrageously good.” According to the product’s website, “It plays nicely with burgers, bread, lettuce, sauces, turkey...you get the idea. No matter how it’s enjoyed it spreads happiness, and a strong urge to eat more.”

### Newest Trend In Beijing Created By Owner Of Pet Store

In Beijing, the newest trend is literally walking out the front door faster than shop owner; Hsin Ch’en can keep up with. China’s latest craze is panda dogs; Chow Chow dogs that are dyed to look just like fluffy pandas. Ch’en says all other breeds are passed over now for the panda pups. The dogs take about two hours to dye and their color lasts for around six weeks before touch-ups are needed. “There are no chemicals or cruelty involved,” Ch’en said. “But the price of the dog does rise significantly because of the amount of grooming that goes into it. People don’t mind paying the extra though, they like the fact that heads turn in the street and they can tell their friends, ‘I have a panda dog.’”



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# AROUND MADISON COUNTY

## Obituary

### Virginia Fox McAbee

Virginia Fox McAbee passed away April 13, after a long illness. She was preceded in death by her husband, William L. McAbee. She is survived by her son, Woodrow McAbee (Diane) of South Carolina; her daughter, Sally Tillman (James) of Madison; two grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; her brother Raymond Fox (Gale) of Plant City and numerous other family mem-

bers. Services were held Wednesday, April 16 at 1 p.m., at Grace United Methodist Church in Tampa. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Epworth Children's Home, 2900 Millwood Ave., PO Box 50466, Columbia, S.C. 29250.

Beggs Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements (850) 973-2258.

## Elsie Kuhl Crowned Miss Lee

By Jessie R. Box  
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Elsie Kuhl, 17, was recently crowned as Miss Lee. She is a sophomore at Madison County High School. She is the daughter of JoAnn and Kris Kuhl.

For the contest, each participant had to write an essay. Kuhl decided to participate because, "when I was younger I used to visit my grandparents from Southwest Florida just to see the Lee Day Festival. I had told my

parents that one day when I get older, I wanted to be Miss Lee."

Kuhl loves being able to represent Lee but she has also gained something more from being crowned Miss Lee.

"Being crowned Miss Lee helped me with gaining more confidence in myself," said Kuhl.

After graduating high school, Kuhl would like to go to college for her LPN license and if that is what she enjoys she wants to pursue her RN degree.



## Recall Updates CAUTION

### Discount School Supply

Discount School Supply is recalling its Magnetic Color Sorting Boards. Specifically, the "Excellerations" Magnetic Color Sorting Board with cupcake cutouts. The magnet in the wand can detach and the plywood backing can crack and release small metal balls that are sandwiched between the board and a clear plastic cover. These pose choking and serious internal injury risks associated with ingestion of a magnet and metal ball. Additionally, the surface paint on the metal balls contains levels of lead that exceed the federal lead paint standard. Those who purchased the board, which retailed for about \$36, should immediately put it away, out of the reach of children, and call the company for a full refund. Contact Discount School Supply at (800) 338-4430 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Central Time, Monday through Friday, or online at [www.discountschoolsupply.com](http://www.discountschoolsupply.com). Click on "Safety Information" for more information.

### Classic Concepts

Classic Concepts is recalling its home décor item, the "Aman Trunk" because of excessive amounts of lead in paint on the interior metal chains. The trunks were sold through Cost Plus World Market. Consumers should contact the company for free replacement of the interior chains with a lead-compliant ones. Contact Cost Plus World Market toll-free at (877) 967-5362 between 7 a.m. and midnight Eastern Standard Time daily, or visit the firm's website [www.worldmarket.com](http://www.worldmarket.com) and click on "Product Recalls" at the bottom of the page for more information.

### Coleman

Coleman is recalling its Northstar Liquid Fuel Lanterns due to fire hazard. An incorrect gas feed tube was installed on the lantern. When lit, it can release too much fuel causing ignition around the lantern.

Customers should contact the company immediately for a replacement. Contact the Coleman Company, Inc. at (800) 835-3278 from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Central Time, Monday through Friday, by email at [consumerservice@coleman.com](mailto:consumerservice@coleman.com) or online at [www.coleman.com](http://www.coleman.com). Click on "Important Safety Information" for more information.

### Paramount

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## Community Calendar

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### May 23

The JV and Varsity MCHS Cheerleaders are hosting a fundraiser to help them raise money to attend Fellowship of Christian Athletes Cheerleading Camp this summer. They are selling 6 1/2 pounds of Boston Butts or smoked ham and five pounds of smoked sausage or ribs for \$25 each. They will be cooked and ready for pick-up Friday, May 23 from 2:00-3:30 at the Madison County Courthouse. For more information or to place an order, call or text Ruth Ann Latner at (850) 464-0236 or email at [ruth.latner@madison-mail.us](mailto:ruth.latner@madison-mail.us), or see any MCHS cheerleader.

### May 24

The Madison County Chapter of Charmettes, Inc. will host their first Mother/Son Dance on Saturday, May 24 at Madison County Recreational Center from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. This occasion will be a catalyst in supporting Mother/Son relationships in an atmosphere of delightful entertainment and a plethora of delectable dainties. The event is open to mothers and sons of all ages. You may contact Cheryl Clemons at (850) 948-2071, Shirley K. Barfield at (850) 973-2063 or Annie Jo Mar-

tin at (850) 209-6042 for more information regarding donations and tickets.

### May 24

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, at 1374 West Base Street, is having an "International Luncheon," Saturday, May 24, from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. The luncheon will be hosted by the Relief Society, a Latter Day Saints women's organization, dedicated to compassionate service to those in the community who need a helping hand. Members of the society will prepare dishes from countries where they have been on missions, or from their own cultural background, providing the event with a truly international flavor. The Relief Society would like to invite other women in the community, who are also interested in helping others, to come on out and get involved. Saturday's "International Luncheon" is an opportunity for them to learn what the Relief Society is all about as they share good food and fellowship, and listen to speakers from Latter Day Saints churches in Tallahassee. For more information on the International Luncheon, the Relief Society, or directions to the church, contact Beth Brinson at (850) 556-6474.

### May 25

Pallbearer Lodge #4 will hold a fundraiser program on Sunday, May 25, at 11 a.m. at Jeslamb A.M.E. Church. The speaker will be Minister Lindsey Fudge. Please come and help us celebrate this special occasion, Sister Lula Roundtree, Secretary; Brother Kerry Townsend, President; Reverend Debra Warner, Pastor. For more information, contact Eula Donaldson at (850) 510-4822.

### May 25

Mt. Nebo Baptist Church of Greenville will be observing their annual Dual Day Program. You are cordially invited to attend one or both services. The first service is at 11 a.m. with speaker Judy Hill. The second service will be at 2 p.m. and service will be rendered by Pineview Freewill Baptist Church out of Quitman, Ga. Dinner will be served.

### May 26

Monday, May 26 at 11 a.m., The Sunshine Ladies are going to Denny's off of I-10, for their monthly luncheon. All ladies are invited to join. There are no dues, just bring lunch money. Bring your friends and bring quarters if you want a chance at the door prize and above all bring your best happy face. We will be waiting on you.

### May 31

Pinetta Elementary School will be holding a talent show and silent auction in their gym, Saturday, May 31 at 2 p.m. Doors open at 1 p.m. to browse auction items that will include class art projects, themed baskets (spa, beach, sports, etc.) and more. Concessions of sodas, cotton candy, popcorn and pickles will be for sale. Everyone is invited to attend.

### July 26

The MCHS Cowboy's Football Golf Shootout will be held Saturday, July 26, at Madison Golf and Country Club, starting at 8 a.m. Entry fees are \$200 per group or \$50 per player and includes green and cart fees and lunch; fees are due by July 23. For more information or questions, contact Coach Ben White at (904) 290-0413, (850) 973-5779 or [ben.white@madison-mail.us](mailto:ben.white@madison-mail.us).

Have something you would like to add to the Community Calendar? Simply call Greene Publishing, Inc. at (850) 973-4141 or email your information to [Rose@greenepublishing.com](mailto:Rose@greenepublishing.com).

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## Cary Hardee Certified As "Florida Pioneer Descendant"



Greene Publishing, Inc. Photo By Lynette Norris, May 15, 2014

This notice for Hardee's great-great-grandmother, Rhoda Livingston, is an example of the type of handwritten death notices, bordered with black ribbon, that were used in the 1800s, before newspapers with obituaries were commonplace here. The elegant handwriting can still be appreciated, and although a little faded, it is still legible: "The friends and acquaintances of Mrs. R.A. Livingston and family are respectfully invited to attend her funeral services at the Methodist Church this afternoon at 4:30 o'clock. Madison, Fla. Monday, May 31, 1886."

By Lynette Norris  
Greene Publishing, Inc.

The Florida State Genealogical Society (FSGS) has awarded Cary Hardee and his descendants certificates stating that they are officially Florida Pioneer Descendants.

In order to receive a Florida Pioneer Descendant certification, Hardee had to find a person who had settled in Florida Territory prior to March 3, 1845, when the territory was admitted as a state. From there, he had to trace and document an unbroken line of descendants from that ancestor to himself.

It wasn't as simple

as going on [ancestry.com](http://ancestry.com). To meet the Florida State Genealogical Society standards and definition of "Florida Pioneer Descendant," the task was to trace and document that line, with physical copies of birth certificates, marriage certificates and death certificates for each person. The FSGS handbook for those who want to make an application for Florida Pioneer Descendant certification is 45 pages long, and the application fee is \$45. The handbook can be downloaded from the FSGS website, [www.flsgs.org](http://www.flsgs.org). Click on the Florida Pioneer tab.

Finding the evidence to support Hardee's application took months and months of detective work, tracking down documents, poring through old census records, probate records, last will and testaments, deeds for land ownership and archived newspaper articles. "I worked on it little by little, whenever I had time," he said. In some cases, he even trekked out to cemeteries where some of his ancestors were buried and photographed their tombstones.

"I was lucky to have an old family Bible where a lot of this was recorded as it happened," he added, explaining that such Bibles, in which several generations carefully recorded each birth, marriage and death as it happened, and which were then handed down to children and grandchildren, are acceptable as a certain standard of proof by the FSGS. The family



Greene Publishing, Inc. Photo By Lynette Norris, May 14, 2014

Cary Hardee looks over the stack of paperwork he accumulated documenting a line of descendants from Reddin Wallace Parramore; the stack of documentation from the Daniel G. Livingston line is equally large, and the two lines eventually married into each other. To the left of the photo are copies of the certificates issued to Hardee and other family members, including Fraleigh Jeanne Hardee, Thomas Randall Hardee, William Augustus Hardee, Cary Hardee II, Cary Hardee III and Joshua Tuff Hardee.

Bible Hardee referred to belonged to his great-great-grandmother, Rhoda Ann Livingston.

"On the other hand, if I were to go out today, buy a Bible and write all this in it, that would not be accepted. The information had to be recorded as it happened."

The further back in time he went, the harder it became to find documentation. Prior to 1917, the state of Florida did not use death certificates, one of the primary sources accepted by the FSGS. In the absence of a primary source, two secondary sources of proof may be used, such as newspaper articles and tombstones.

Also, before newspapers were commonplace here, handwritten death notices bordered with black ribbon were distributed to the townspeople to let them know when the funeral services would be held.

## Charmettes To Host Mother Son Dance



By Jessie R. Box  
Greene Publishing, Inc.

Time to dust off the dance shoes. The Madison County Chapter of Charmettes, Inc. will host its first Mother/Son Dance on Saturday, May 24, at Madison County Recreational Center, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

This event is to provide a catalyst for supporting relation-

ships between mothers and sons and is open to mothers and sons of all ages. There will be entertainment and a plethora of dainties to enjoy.

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Favorite Movie: "Scarface."

Favorite TV Show: "Martin."

Favorite Sports: Miami Dolphins football, Miami Heat basketball, Miami Marlins baseball and boxer, Floyd Mayweather.

Hero: "My dad. He has always been there for me."

Hobbies: Playing sports.

Sum Yourself Up: "Laid back."



# AROUND MADISON COUNTY

## Jacob Moore To Attend Boy's State



Story Submitted

Jacob Moore has been selected by Post #131 in Greenville as the Boy's State delegate for 2014. Boy's State is the premier youth leadership program sponsored by the American Legion Department of Florida. This 71<sup>st</sup> session will be held July 6-12 at Florida State University in Tallahassee. Post Commander Roy Scott explained only males who have successfully completed their junior year of high school and have at least one semester of high school remaining are considered. The candidate must have a 3.2 or above GPA and an in-

terest in the governmental process.

Other requirements are outstanding leadership, character and scholarship. Jacob Moore has a 3.9 GPA and is a dual-enrolled student at North Florida Community College. Moore has also been selected to attend Naval Academy Summer Seminar and West Point Summer Leaders Experience. He plays on the Madison County football, tennis and track teams.

Moore is also a member of Madison First United Methodist Church where he is active in several activities. He is the son of Beth and Theron Moore.

## Volunteers 55+ Are Meeting Critical Needs; Are Powerful Resources For Communities

**Senior Corps Week – May 19-23 – honors Senior Corps volunteers for “Making A Difference for Generations” and encourages more communities to harness the talent and skill of American 55+**



Story Submitted

The Corporation for National and Community Service is joining with organizations across the country to honor the powerful impact of Senior Corps volunteers and encourage more Americans 55+ to serve their communities through the fifth annual Senior Corps Week, taking place May 19-23.

For more than four decades Senior Corps volunteers have used their lifetime of skills

and experience to meet community needs. Today more than 500,000 volunteers age 55+ provide 98+ million hours of service estimated to be worth more than \$2 billion through Senior Corps' three programs – Foster Grandparents, Senior Companions and RSVP. “At a time of increased need and declining resources, volunteers age 55 and over are stepping in to fill in the gaps,” said Wendy Spencer, CEO of the Corporation for National and Community Service. “Today, more than ever, communities need the talents and skills of all Americans to help move this nation forward. Senior Corps volunteers are delivering enormous social and economic benefits to our communities and demonstrating that service is good for the nation and those who serve.”

In addition to helping others, older volunteers are also helping themselves by living active, healthy lives through volunteering. A growing body of research points to mental and physical health benefits associated with volunteering, including lower mortality rates, increased strength and energy, decreased rates of depression and fewer

physical limitations. With nearly one in every five Americans projected to be age 60 or older by 2030, a great opportunity exists to engage older Americans in service to meet critical community needs while contributing to longer healthier lives.

Last year, nearly 600 volunteers provided over 262,502 hours of service throughout 15 countries in North Florida making a difference in the lives of more than 15,000 individuals. Frail elders received assistance from Senior Companions to remain independent in their homes; young people received tutoring and mentoring from Foster Grandparents that improved their academic performance, self-esteem and overall social behavior; and families received food and housing assistance from retired and senior volunteers that improved their quality of life.

With the theme “Making a Difference for Generations,” Senior Corps Week highlights the powerful impact of 55+ volunteers and inspires others to get involved. The initiative recognizes that service by older Americans benefits everyone – it helps vol-

unteers by keeping them active, healthy and engaged; it helps our communities to have millions more skilled volunteers; and it helps our nation by saving taxpayers dollars and strengthening civic participation.

On Friday, May 16, Elder Care Services honored its Senior Companions, Foster Grandparents and RSVP volunteers during this year's 2014 Emancipation Celebration sponsored by Smith-Williams Community Center and the city of Tallahassee Parks & Recreation. Festivities started at 10 a.m., at Tom Brown Park and include a fishing tournament and cookout for people over 55.

Throughout Senior Corps Week, please take a moment to honor the remarkable SCP, FGP and RSVP volunteers serving in our community.

If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact Elder Care Service, Inc., at (850) 921-5554 or visit [ecsbigbend.org](http://ecsbigbend.org).

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## Final Big Surprise At 55 Plus – The Rising Stars



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Toe-tapping, feel-good songs like “Rockin’ Robin” and “The Best Day Of My Life” were performed with an energy that made everyone want to get up and dance along with the choristers.



By Lynette Norris  
Greene Publishing, Inc.

It was the last meeting of the 55 Plus Club – they’ll be taking a break over the summer and meeting again in September – and the final entertainment had been kept a secret. But it was a secret worth waiting to hear: an enthusiastic performance of the Rising Stars Chorus from Madison Academy.

Kirstin Malone, who came up with the name “Rising Stars,” is one of the fifth graders saying goodbye to the choral group after this school year. She had already been busy performing at a United Way function, at the Madison Nursing Center, at Down Home Days, and at Suwannee River Park, where they had made a video of

their concert.

The Rising Stars rehearsed after school rather than during school hours, so the chorus was composed of a dedicated bunch of students, Hicks told the audience.

The group started off with the well-known “Down By The Riverside,” and rocked the house with “Rockin’ Robin,” first made popular by Bobby Day in the 1950s and again by Michael Jackson in the 1970s. They followed up with “The Best Day of My Life” and concluded with another well known favorite of all ages, “Amazing Grace,” featuring a solo performance by third-grader Riley Niquette.

After this school year, the chorus will have to say goodbye to its fifth

grade members. This was their first and also their last year with the chorus, but one of them, Kirstin Malone, will leave her mark on the group as the one who came up with the name “Rising Stars.”

## Dr. Chuck Oden Speaks About Leadership And Motivation



Greene Publishing, Inc. Photo By Jessie R. Box, May 14, 2014

Dr. Chuck Oden (left) accepts a Rotary Pin from Rotary Club President Wayne Conger (right).

By Jessie R. Box  
Greene Publishing, Inc.

The Madison Rotary Club had guest speaker, Dr. Chuck Oden from St. Leo University. The lecture was about leaders and how they motivated people around them.

Dr. Oden teaches business at St. Leo University. He asks his student’s what motivated them and the usual answer is money.

He discussed Dan Pink, who has stated there are three things that motivate people: autonomy, mastery and purpose. Autonomy is the ability to work independently, the ability to come up with your own answers, working your way through things and receiving acknowledgment for your success. Mastery is something that you can say, ‘this is my purpose in life.’ Purpose is the reason for what you are doing.

As an example of motivation, Dr. Oden referenced General

How people are motivated to purchase items also intrigues Dr. Oden. Are they motivated by what the item is or why the company is making the item? He went on to discuss how companies are slowly realizing that there needs to be a purpose behind why the item is made.

While the main goal of companies is to make money, companies are now turning their focus to the triple bottom line of profit, people and planet. Besides just making money through profit, companies are now focusing on people by being socially responsible and on the planet by being environmentally responsible when manufacturing a product.

The next time you buy something, think about what is motivating you to purchase that item.



## Cinco De Mayo At Lake Park



Photo Submitted

Lake Park of Madison celebrated Cinco de Mayo with a party that was complete with music, tacos, chips and salsa and even alcohol-free margaritas. Seated around the table enjoying the celebration, from left to right are: Daryl Williams, James Reeves, Rosa Williams and William Holton. Standing is Jo Weston.



Photo Submitted

Seated at the party is Betty Stillwell, and pictured with her are visitors Sandra and Russ Reeves. In the background David Stroman and Rossie Bryant enjoy the festivities.

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## Republican Party Fundraiser Is A Success



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Some of the distinguished guests and REC members at the dinner included (front row, left to right): US Congressman Steve Southerland, REC State Committeewoman Princess Akerman, REC State Committeeman Mike Williams and US Congressman Ted Yoho. Standing directly behind Princess Akerman is Madison REC Chairman Bob Bezick.



Photo Submitted

Florida House Representative Halsey Beshears stands with Madison REC Chairman Bob Bezick.



Photo Submitted

Taking a moment at the podium are (left to right): US Congressman Steve Southerland, State Attorney Jeff Siegmeister and US Congressman Ted Yoho.



Photo Submitted

This year's recipients of the James Blair Constitution Award, Bunny and John Maultsby (left to right) stand with REC State Committeeman Mike Williams. Behind and to the left of Williams is Madison REC Chair Bob Bezick.

Story Submitted

On Saturday, May 10, 2014, the Republican Party of Madison County hosted their annual James Madison US Constitution Celebration Dinner. Guest speakers were US Congressman Steve Southerland, District 2; US Congressman Ted Yoho, District 3; Florida House Representative Halsey Beshears, and State Attorney for the Third Judicial Circuit of Florida, Jeff Siegmeister.

The Madison Republicans awarded their 2014 James Blair Award to John and Bunny Maultsby. This award is presented to those individuals, who, without waiting for the government to act or provide assistance, step forward and help their community in times of need. Madison County has been fortunate enough to have all the Maultsbys, owners of Florida Plywood, in their county for many years and we thank them for all their service.

Congressmen Southerland and Yoho updated the attendees on what is happening and what needs to happen in Washington, DC. They shared their hopes and aspirations for our county in the coming years: defend our core values, founding principles, and the Constitution, cut Federal spending and save taxpayer dollars, hold leadership accountable, and protect individual liberties and freedoms.

Each Congressman focused on an important aspect of our country. Congressman Ted Yoho focused on the here and now issues that are being addressed in Washington and Congressman Southerland enriched our knowledge of the past and how our government was shaped not in spite of faith and religion, but because of its deep emersion and roots as a Christian nation.

You can find more pictures and updates on Facebook at Madison County Republican Party. The Republican Club meets every second Monday at 12 noon at Shelby's and the Executive meetings are every fourth Tuesday at 7 p.m., at Madison County Library.



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The E.M.S. team of Madison County is proud to serve you. Pictured in the front row, left to right are: Justin Buchanan, Brittany Bell, Demi Davis, Haley Albanese, Lisa Jordan, Juan Botino, Liz Cotrell and Kevin Shipp. Pictured in the back row, from left to right are: Michael Raines, Jessie Deyerle, Jane Williams, Lori Collins, Chad Massey, Brittney Baldwin and James Byler. Inset: Mica Taylor (left) and Scott Murfin (right).



## National E.M.S. Week is Upon Us

By Jessie R. Box  
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National E.M.S. Week is May 18 - 24 and this year's theme is "E.M.S.: Dedicated. For Life." According to *ems.gov*, National E.M.S. Week has been observed since it was first declared by President Gerald Ford in 1974. National E.M.S. Week is a great opportunity to thank those who have dedicated their time to providing lifesaving day-to-day ser-

vices. According to the American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP), the organization was instrumental in helping establish National E.M.S. Week. The ACEP have been developing and providing E.M.S. Week planning kits since the 1980's free to any E.M.S. service. Take the opportunity this week to thank E.M.S. for all the services that they provide to the community.

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# SCHOOL

## New Testament Christian School Career Week Prepares Students For Work And Life



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Tuyanna McCall, an Adoption Specialist with the Children's Home Society, reacts to a student's question during her presentation at New Testament.



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Students in 7th-12th grade were able to tour the UF campus during Career Week and reported it was one of the week's highlights.



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Sgt. Jake Burgess of the National Guard shows the younger crowd at New Testament one of the Guard's Humvees.



By Rose Klein  
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The New Testament Christian School held Career Week for their 7<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grade students last month, offering presentations from numerous local business owners, a tour of the new Hospital in Madison, a field trip to the University of Florida and mock interviews that included tips on how to land the perfect job.

Career week started on Monday, April 21, with a tour of the new Madison County Memorial Hospital on 309 NE Marion Street. Ted Ensminger, the Coordinator and Director of Marketing for the hospital, said the students from New Testament was the very first public tour of the hospital and students and instructors were able to tour the entire facility. The tour included the emergency department, operating rooms, radiology and lab departments, all of the behind the scenes maintenance areas and inside the three different types of patient rooms the hospital will offer. Ensminger said most students seemed impressed by the sheer scale of the building and overall flow of the structure, but it was the new helipad that was their favorite, causing imaginations to soar.

Tuesday was the biggest day of Career Week as the school had numerous guest speakers from many different career fields speaking to groups of students throughout the day. The speakers presented their careers to students from 8:30 a.m., all the way through 2:30 p.m., with only a few breaks, giving students a full day's worth of information. They heard from Wayne Conger, Clinical Psychologist; Sgt. Jake Burgess, National Guard; Judi Wyche, Entrepreneur; John Grosskopf, President of NFCC and Darren Baxley, Veterinarian, to name just a few.

Tuesday was more than just discovery of different career fields. Some of the speakers shared stories of how God changed their career plans "mid-stream" and in doing so, changed the course of their lives. The message, said Nancy Taylor, a teacher at New Testament, was for students to remain open to changes God may have for them in their careers as well as in their lives. She further said that two scriptures in the Bible, often discussed with students, are both relevant to this suggestion. **Jeremiah 29:11** "For I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord. They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope," and **Colossians 3:23**

*"Work hard and cheerfully at whatever you do, as though you were working for the Lord rather than for people."*  
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The next day was a treat for students as they traveled to Gainesville in order to tour the campus of University of Florida where they received an overview of the university's programs and admissions process.

Career Week concluded on Thursday with Becky Bennett, 4-H Extension Agent in Madison, visiting the school to speak on her job as a County Extension Agent. She also gave an overview of the different extension agent jobs: Agriculture, 4-H and Family and Consumer Science, which is the specialty of Extension Director, Diann Douglas and also discussed career camps and programs available through 4-H.

The day ended with mock job interviews where students "interviewed" for one of five different jobs: marketing/sales representative for a fashion magazine, firearms safety instructor, crime scene investigator, educational program coordinator for an art museum and pediatric nurse. The five positions selected were to offer a variety of career interests expressed by the students. Three local residents and businesspersons conducted the interviews: Ralph Gray, owner of Suwannee River Supply; Jane McClung, who has a variety of career skills and Gary Webb, co-owner of Greenville Timber. After the interviews, these three shared basic tips on how to improve the student's chances for landing the perfect job.

At the end of New Testament's Career Week, Taylor said one of the more memorable moments that stood out for students was the trip to the University of Florida. She said all the older students enjoyed seeing the university and one high school student in particular became even more emphatic she would be attending UF and now had plans on becoming a Veterinarian. The younger students also had some excitement as they were enchanted with the Humvee and other military equipment brought to the campus by Sgt. Jake Burgess of the National Guard.

Jenny Starling, one of the co-principals at New Testament, said Career Week at the school was even better than she imagined. "We had some really fantastic speakers and the kids surprised me." Starling said they were very attentive to the speakers, asked really good questions and engaged in good conversations on the subjects presented. "The kids truly impressed me."

# SCHOOL

## JMPHS Spring Dance A Hit

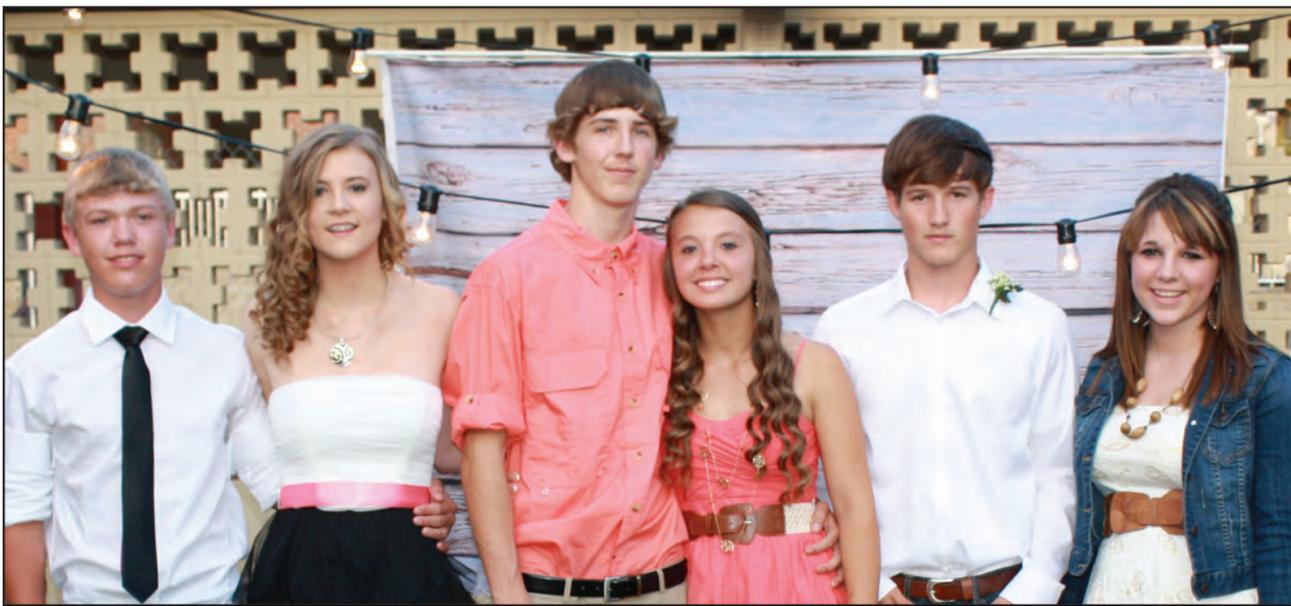


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Hayden Stout, Shelby Cooke, Ryan Davis, Alexis Bowen, Bo Roebuck and Meghan Tobin are stunning as they pose for a picture at the JMPHS Spring Dance.

By Jessie R. Box  
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The James Madison Preparatory High School had the first school dance on April 26 at the Houser Auditorium. The students were allowed to invite one guest each. There was a professional DJ at the dance to treat the students to a wide variety of music. The Houser Auditorium was decorated and refreshments provided by the Parent and Teacher Organization. There was also a professional photographers background for the students to take pictures. There were approximately 70 students in attendance including guests.



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Michael Goley, Nathan Calhoun and Brandon Segrest hang out at the JMPHS Spring Dance.

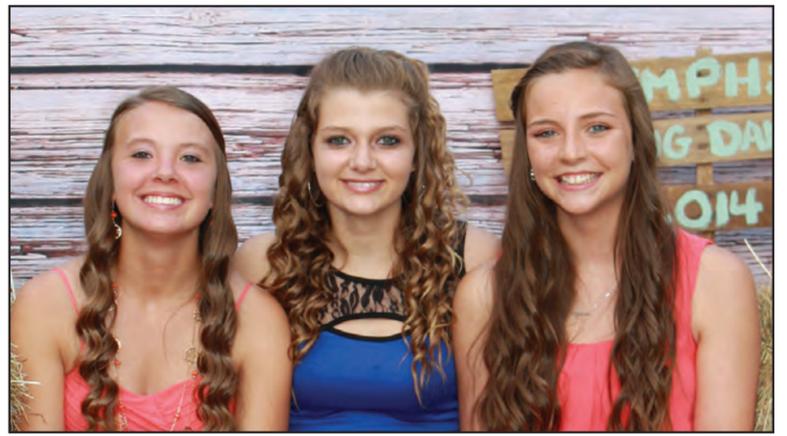


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Alexis Bowen, Katelyn McCamman and Haley Rogers pose for the photographer as they enjoy the Spring Dance at JMPHS.



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Michael Goley and Samantha Hentges are dazzling in gold at the JMPHS Spring Dance.



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Justin Davis, Derenza Cherry, Zakobe Fead and Trey Mitchell take a moment in between songs to sit and relax at the JMPHS Spring Dance.

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# SCHOOL

## Project Graduation Set To Follow May 30<sup>th</sup> Ceremony

By Jessie R. Box  
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**P**roject Graduation will be May 30 at the MCHS starting at 10 p.m., and the event will not end until 6:30 a.m., the next morning.

Project Graduation is meant to be a place for students to hang out with their friends in a safe environment after graduation. The students will spend two hours outside where there will be a water-slide, tug-of-war, horseshoes and water balloon volleyball. The Kiwanis Club of Madison will be cooking

hamburgers and hot-dogs for the students to enjoy.

After the outside fun, the students will be in the gym for the rest of the evening. There will be games for the students to enjoy including ping-pong tables and limbo. There will also be a simulation of what it is like drunk driving and crashing.

There will be money and prizes given away throughout the evening. If any one would like to make a donation, contact the MCHS or call Gina Sapp at (850) 973-7136.

## MCHS Band Has Three Students Accepted At VSU



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Kammeron Joseph, Taylor Sever and Joshua Stafford (left to right) are all considering music education majors and being accepted by audition to VSU was the first major step in that direction.

Submitted by Geoff Hill, MCHS Director of Bands

**O**n Wednesday, the 7<sup>th</sup> of May, three seniors from the Madison County High School Bands traveled to Valdosta to audition for the Valdosta State University Department of Music and all three were accepted on the spot.

Kammeron Joseph, Taylor Sever and Joshua Stafford will now complete applications and

begin the process of pursuing music scholarships. These students are setting the stage for more musicians to graduate from MCHS and perform at the collegiate level.

Already attending VSU as a music major from the Madison County High School Bands in his final year is David Sanders. Sanders is the son of Kim and Ted Sanders of Madison and should be graduating with his

Music Education degree next spring. Cullen Gudz also graduated from the bands at MCHS in 2012 and is now attending the Florida State University College of Music. Cullen was accepted on special audition and is now performing with the Concert Band and the Florida State University Marching Chiefs. Gudz is the son of Brigitte and Martin Gudz of Madison.

## Register Now For Summer Camps At NFCC

~NFCC Announces "Kids In College" Summer Camps~



**N**orth Florida Community College's "Kids in College: An Innovation of Fun" program offers a creative and educational outlet for children over the summer. Three camps are being offered for children in completed 1<sup>st</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> grades – Kelly Center Kids, Art Camp and Culinary Camp - June 9-26 and July 7-24 at varying times (see schedule below). Camps will run Monday through Thursday with no camps scheduled during the week of July 4. NFCC is also hosting its annual Health Scholars Camp for completed 6<sup>th</sup> through 9<sup>th</sup> graders July 7-10.

**2014 NFCC "Kids in College" Camp Schedule:**



**Kelly Center Kids (Completed 1<sup>st</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grades)**  
Every day is about being healthy and getting active. Find out which fun, healthy activity is for you. Sign up and get challenged. Comfortable clothing and athletic shoes required.  
**DATES: June 9-26**  
**TIME: 8 a.m.-12 p.m.**  
**DATES: July 7-24**  
**TIME: 8 a.m.-12 p.m.**

**Art Camp (Completed 1<sup>st</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grades)**  
Children will draw, color and paint with a variety of mediums. Their creations will become memories of their summer of 2014. The main focus is to be expressive while hav-

ing fun.  
**DATES: June 9-26**  
**TIME: 1-3 p.m.**  
**DATES: July 7-24**  
**TIME: 1-3 p.m.**

**Culinary Camp (Completed 1<sup>st</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grades)**  
Cooking made fun! Learn about knife safety, microwave safety, using an electric mixer, blender or other kitchen appliances. Additional kitchen basics such as: how to tell when noodles, cakes and cookies are done, and how to double a recipe or "half" it.  
**DATES: June 9-26**  
**TIME: 3-5 p.m.**  
**DATES: July 7-24**  
**TIME: 3-5 p.m.**

**Health Scholars Camp (Completed 6<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> Grades)**  
Do you know what to do when it comes to first aid? Are you interested in the Health Career field? If you answered yes to either of these questions you are a fit for this camp.  
**DATES: July 7-10**  
**TIME: 8 a.m.-5 p.m.**  
**DEADLINE TO APPLY: Monday, June 30, 2014**  
Children attending camp must be registered prior to the first day of camp; registration deadline for Health Scholars Camp is June 30. Camp costs vary and are based on half or full day camp options. Discounts will be applied for each second and third child in a family for Kelly Center Kids, Art Camp and Culinary Camp. For more information, contact Denise Bell at (850) 973-9481 or [belld@nfcc.edu](mailto:belld@nfcc.edu). More information is also available at <http://www.nfcc.edu/kids-in-college>.

## Cowboys Football Golf Shootout Is Coming Up

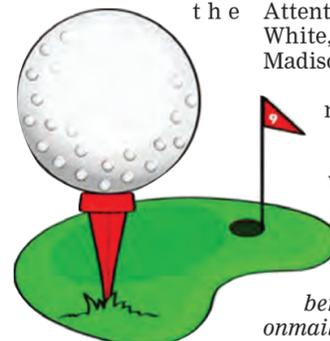
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**T**he Cowboys Football Golf Shootout is Saturday, July 26 at the Madison Golf and Country Club. It will start at 8 a.m., with a shotgun start. The entry fee is \$200 a group or \$50 for each player. This entry fee includes

green fee, cart fee and lunch.

The tournament will have a super ball tournament, longest drive, closest to the pin and putting contest. All registration fees are due by July 23. Return the entry form and make payment payable to Madison County High School Football, Attention: Coach White, 2649 US 90, Madison, FL 32340.

For more information or questions, contact Coach Ben White at (904) 290-0413, (850) 973-5779 or



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# SPORTS

## Lady Warriors Cumulative Statistics

By Fran Hunt

**A**fter a very successful year, the Aucilla Christian Academy Lady Warriors wrapped up the regular and post season on a 19-3 record, won their fourth consecutive District Title, the 10<sup>th</sup> in 11 years and the 11<sup>th</sup> in 13 years; they won their third Regional Title ever; and they went into the State Finals for the first time ever to wind up the season as the State Runner-Up.

This very productive season has produced some very impressive statistics for the Lady Warriors.

As a team, at the plate, Aucilla has played in 22 games, had 701 plate appearances, 582 at bats, 209 hits, 144 singles, 45 doubles, 12 triples, eight homeruns, 165 RBIs, 236 runs, 12 hit by pitches, 48 reach on errors, 16 fielder's choice, 100 walks, 90 strikeouts, a batting average of .359, an on base percentage of .458 and a slugging average of .519.

Abigail Morgan played in 22 games, with 78 plate appearances, 54 at bats, 14 hits, nine singles, three doubles, one triple, one homerun, 18 RBIs, 20 runs, three reach on errors, 21 walks, 12 strikeouts, a batting average of .259, an on base percentage of .449 and a slugging average of .407.

Ashlyn Rogers played in two games, with five plate appearances, five at bats, four hits, three singles, one

triple, five RBIs, two runs, a batting average of .800, an on base percentage of .800 and a slugging average of 1.200.

Carly Joiner played in 21 games, with 75 plate appearances, 69 at bats, 25 hits, 20 singles, five doubles, 11 RBIs, 33 runs, one hit by pitch, six reach on errors, five fielder's choice, five walks, six strikeouts, a batting average of .362, an on base percentage of .413 and a slugging average of .435.

Courtney Watts played in 13 games, with 31 plate appearances, 22 at bats, six hits, five singles, one double, two RBIs, nine runs, two hit by pitches, one reach on error, two fielder's choice, seven walks, six strikeouts, a batting average of .273, an on base percentage of .3484 and a slugging average of .318.

Elizabeth Hightower played in 20 games, with 74 plate appearances, 70 at bats, 25 hits, 14 singles, four doubles, three triples, four homeruns, 28 RBIs, 22 runs, eight reach on errors, two fielder's choice, four walks, seven strikeouts, a batting average of .357, an on base percentage of .392 and a slugging average of .671.

Emma Witmer played in 19 games, with 46 plate appearances, 40 at bats, 13 hits, eight singles, three doubles, two triples, 14 RBIs, 10 runs, two hit by pitches, three reach on errors, four walks, seven

strikeouts, a batting average of .325, an on base percentage of .413 and a slugging average of .500.

Gaige Winchester played in eight games, with 14 plate appearances, 10 at bats, six hits, six singles, four RBIs, eight runs, two hit by pitches, two walks, four strikeouts, a batting average of .600, an on base percentage of .714 and a slugging average of .600.

Kelly Horne played in 21 games, with 79 plate appearances, 61 at bats, 32 hits, one single, 12 doubles, two triples, one homerun, 27 RBIs, 32 runs, one hit by pitch, four reach on errors, 16 walks, four strikeouts, a batting average of .525, an on base percentage of .620 and a slugging average of .836.

Megan Schofill played in three games with six plate appearances, two at bats, six runs, one hit by pitch, one reach on error, three walks, a batting average of .000, an on base percentage of .667 and a slugging average of .000.

Monique Restrepo played in three games, with six plate appearances, two at bats, one hit, one single, two runs, four walks, one strikeout, a batting average of .500, an on base percentage of .833 and a slugging average of .500.

Natalie Sorensen played in 22 games, with 63 plate appearances, 50 at bats, 19 hits, 12 singles, four doubles, one triple, two

homeruns, 21 RBIs, 18 runs, two hit by pitches, six reach on errors, nine walks, seven strikeouts, a batting average of .380, an on base percentage of .476 and a slugging average of .620.

Payal Chaudhari played in four games, with five plate appearances, four at bats, one run, one walk, four strikeouts, a batting average of .000, an on base percentage of .200 and a slugging average of .000.

Ramsey Sullivan played in 22 games, with 84 plate appearances, 76 at bats, 32 hits, 28 singles, four doubles, 13 RBIs, 28 runs, one hit by pitch, four reach on errors, three fielder's choice, seven walks, six strikeouts, a batting average of .421, an on base percentage of .476 and a slugging average of .474.

Stormie Roberts played in one game, with one plate appearance, one at bat, one hit, one single, two RBIs, one run, a batting average of 1.000, an on base percentage of 1.000 and a slugging average of 1.000.

Taylor Copeland played in 21 games, with 69 plate appearances, 59 at bats, 13 hits, eight singles, three doubles, two triples, 10 RBIs, 15 runs, five reach on errors, one fielder's choice, nine walks, 15 strikeouts, a batting average of .220, an on base percentage of .319 and a slugging average of .339.

Whitney Stevens

played in 20 games, with 65 plate appearances, 57 at bats, 18 hits, 12 singles, six doubles, 10 RBIs, 19 runs, seven reach on errors, three fielder's choice, eight walks, 11 strikeouts, a batting average of .316, an on base percentage of .400 and a slugging average of .421.

On the field, as a team, the Lady Warriors had 508 total chances, 110 assists, 376 putouts, 22 errors, one double play and a fielding percentage of .957.

Morgan had 88 total chances, five assists, 83 putouts and a fielding percentage of 1.000.

Rogers had one total chance, one assist and a fielding percentage of 1.000.

Joiner had 36 total chances, 19 assists, 11 putouts, six errors and a fielding percentage of .833.

Watts had 11 total chances, one assist, seven putouts, three errors and a fielding percentage of .727.

Hightower had 57 total chances, 29 assists, 26 putouts, two errors, one double play and a fielding percentage of .965.

Witmer had 26 total chances, 26 putouts and a fielding percentage of 1.000.

Winchester had five total chances, four assists, one putout and a fielding percentage of 1.000.

Horne had 107 total chances, eight assists, 97 putouts, two errors and a fielding percentage of .961.

Schofill had one total chance, one error

and a fielding percentage of .000.

Sorensen had 19 total chances, seven assists, 11 putouts, one error and a fielding percentage of .947.

Sullivan had 116 total chances, 24 assists, 90 putouts, two errors, one double play and a fielding percentage of .983.

Copeland had 19 total chances, one assist, 16 putouts, two errors and a fielding percentage of .895.

Stevens had 22 total chances, 11 assists, eight putouts, three errors and a fielding percentage of .864.

On the mound, the Lady Warriors pitched 125 innings, in 22 games, a 19-3 record, giving up 77 hits, 44 runs, 17 of which were earned, 46 walks, 181 strikeouts, four hit by pitches and an earned run average of .952.

Morgan pitched 23 innings, eight games played, a 4-1 record, giving up 18 hits, 14 runs, five of which were earned, 13 walks, 36 strikeouts, one hit by pitch and an earned run average of 1.522.

Hightower pitched 50 innings, 12 games, had a 6-1 record, giving up 23 hits, 12 runs, five of which were earned, 24 walks, 70 strikeouts, two hit by pitches and an earned run average of .700.

Stevens pitched 52 innings, 11 games, had a 9-1 record, giving up 36 hits, 18 runs, seven of which were earned, nine walks, 75 strikeouts, one hit by pitch and an earned run average of .942.

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Submitted By Madison County Health Dept.

### What Is Asthma?

Asthma is a disease that affects your lungs. It is one of the most common long-term diseases of children, but adults can have asthma, too. Asthma causes wheezing, breathlessness, chest tightness, and coughing at night or early in the morning. If you have asthma, you have it all the time, but you will have asthma attacks only when something bothers your lungs.

In most cases, we don't know what causes asthma, and we don't know how to cure it. We know that if someone in your family has asthma you are more likely to have it.

### How Can You Tell if You Have Asthma?

It can be hard to tell if someone has asthma, especially in children under age five. Having a doctor check how well your lungs work and check for allergies can help you find out if you have asthma.

During a checkup, the doctor will ask if you cough a lot, especially at night, and

whether your breathing problems are worse after physical activity or at certain times of year. The doctor will also ask about chest tightness, wheezing, and colds lasting more than 10 days. They will ask whether anyone in your family has or has had asthma, allergies, or other breathing problems, and they will ask questions about your home. The doctor will also ask if you have missed school or work and about any trouble you may have doing certain things.

The doctor will also do a breathing test, called spirometry, to find out how well your lungs are working. The doctor will use a computer with a mouthpiece to test how much air you can breathe out after taking a very deep breath. The spirometer can measure airflow before and after you use asthma medicine.

### What Is an Asthma Attack?

An asthma attack may include coughing, chest tightness, wheezing and trouble breathing. The attack happens in your body's airways, which are the paths that carry air to your lungs. As the air moves through your lungs, the airways become smaller, like the branches of a tree are smaller than the tree trunk. During an asthma attack, the sides of the airways in your lungs swell and the airways shrink.

Less air gets in and

out of your lungs, and mucus that your body makes clogs up the airways even more.

You can control your asthma by knowing the warning signs of an asthma attack, staying away from things that cause an attack and following your doctor's advice. When you control your asthma:

- you won't have symptoms such as wheezing or coughing,
- you'll sleep better,
- you won't miss work or school,
- you can take part in all physical activities, and
- you won't have to go to the hospital.

### What Causes an Asthma Attack?

An asthma attack can happen when you are exposed to "asthma triggers." Your triggers can be very different from those of someone else with asthma. Know your triggers and learn how to avoid them. Watch out for an attack when you can't avoid the triggers. Some of the most common triggers are:

#### Tobacco Smoke

Tobacco smoke is unhealthy for everyone, especially people with asthma. If you have asthma and you smoke, quit smoking.

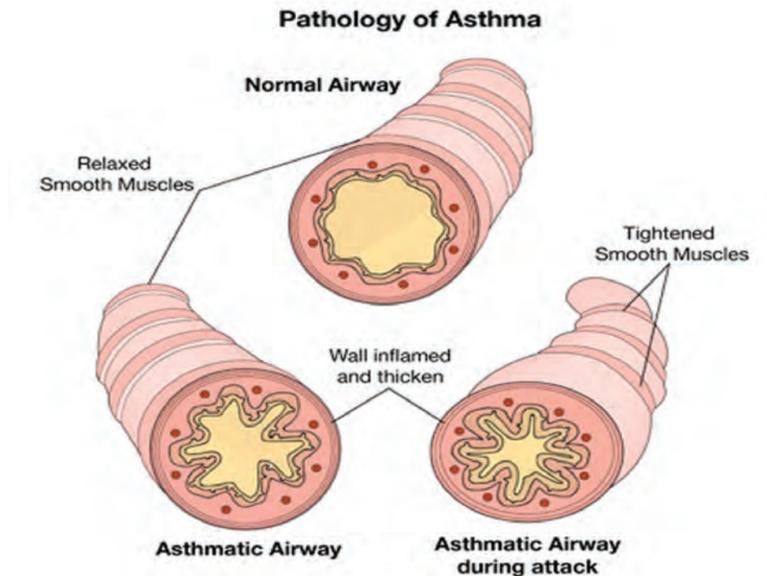
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"Secondhand smoke" is smoke created by a smoker and breathed in by a second person.

Secondhand smoke can trigger an asthma attack. If you have asthma, people should never smoke near you, in your home, in your car, or wherever you may spend a lot of time.

#### Dust Mites

Dust mites are tiny bugs that are in almost



every home. If you have asthma, dust mites can trigger an asthma attack. To prevent attacks, use mattress covers and pillowcase covers to make a barrier between dust mites and yourself. Don't use down-filled pillows, quilts, or comforters.

Remove stuffed animals and clutter from your bedroom. Wash your bedding on the hottest water setting.

#### Outdoor Air Pollution

Outdoor air pollution can trigger an asthma attack. This pollution can come from factories, automobiles, and other sources. Pay attention to air quality forecasts on radio, television, and the Internet and check your newspaper to plan your activities for when air pollution levels will be low.

#### Cockroach Allergen

Cockroaches and their droppings can trigger an asthma attack. Get rid of cockroaches in your home by removing as many water and food sources as you can. Cockroaches are often found where food is

eaten and crumbs are left behind. At least every two to three days, vacuum or sweep areas that might attract cockroaches. Use roach traps or gels to cut down on the number of cockroaches in your home.

#### Pets

Furry pets can trigger an asthma attack. If you think a furry pet may be causing attacks, you may want to find the pet another home. If you can't or don't want to find a new home for the pet, keep it out of the person with asthma's bedroom.

Bathe pets every week and keep them outside as much as you can. People with asthma are not allergic to their pet's fur, so trimming the pet's fur will not help your asthma. If you have a furry pet, vacuum often. If your floors have a hard surface, such as wood or tile, damp mop them every week.

#### Mold

Breathing in mold can trigger an asthma attack. Get rid of mold in your home to help control your attacks. Humidity, the amount of moisture in the air, can make mold grow. An air conditioner or dehumidifier will help you keep the humidity level low. Get a small tool called a hygrometer to check humidity levels and keep them as low as you can—no higher than 50 percent. Humidity levels change over the course of a day, so check the humidity levels more than once a day. Fix water leaks, which let mold grow behind walls and under floors.

#### Smoke From Burning Wood or Grass

Smoke from burning wood or other plants is made up of a mix of harmful gases and small particles. Breathing in too much of this smoke can cause an asthma at-

tack. If you can, avoid burning wood in your home. If a wildfire is causing poor air quality in your area pay attention to air quality forecasts on radio, television, and the Internet and check your newspaper to plan your activities for when air pollution levels will be low.

#### Other Triggers

Infections linked to influenza (flu), colds, and respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) can trigger an asthma attack. Sinus infections, allergies, breathing in some chemicals, and acid reflux can also trigger attacks.

Burning incense or candles, of any kind, can be a source of particulate matter, which may trigger an asthma attack in some individuals.

Physical exercise; some medicines; bad weather; such as thunderstorms or high humidity; breathing in cold, dry air; and some foods, food additives, and fragrances can also trigger an asthma attack.

Strong emotions can lead to very fast breathing, called hyperventilation, that can also cause an asthma attack.

#### How Is Asthma Treated?

Control your asthma and avoid an attack by taking your medicine exactly as your doctor tells you and by staying away from things that can trigger an attack.

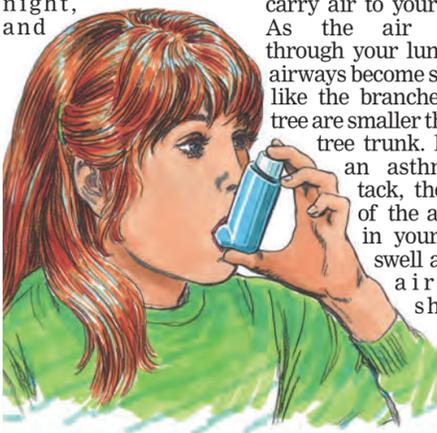
Everyone with asthma does not take the same medicine.

Some medicines can be breathed in, and some can be taken as a pill. Asthma medicines come in two types—quick-relief and long-term control. Quick-relief medicines control the symptoms of an asthma attack. If you need to use your quick-relief medicines more and more, visit your doctor to see if you need a different medicine. Long-term control medicines help you have fewer and milder attacks, but they don't help you while you are having an asthma attack.

Asthma medicines can have side effects, but most side effects are mild and soon go away. Ask your doctor about the side effects of your medicines.

Remember – you can control your asthma. With your healthcare provider's help, make your own asthma action plan. Decide who should have a copy of your plan and where he or she should keep it. Take your long-term control medicine even when you don't have symptoms.

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CASE NO. 2014-30-CP PROBATE DIVISION

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Path  
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# The Pulpit

Cut It Down,  
Dear Madam,  
and Forget It

By Rev. Ralph Dillard,  
Evangelist,  
Church of God

When negative feelings and thoughts drag and pull your mind into horrid pits of unforgiveness, bitterness and past hurts. Sadly, it appears that many people never seem to escape these cesspools of pain.

One reason for this is that they are not willing to let go or accept forgiveness.

In addition, it seems some people wear their scars of anguish like badges of honor in order to draw attention and sympathy from others. An example of this can be found in the book, "Lee: The Last Years". As the story goes, former Confederate General Robert E. Lee was traveling through Kentucky after the Civil War when a woman showed him the remains of a grand old tree in front of her house. Its limbs and trunk were covered in scars, disfigurement and maiming from the effects of artillery fire. In the mind of the

woman, the tree epitomized all the hurts and realities of the past war. She showed the tree to General Lee and waited for him to condemn the actions of the Federal Army or at least show some sympathy for her loss. After a brief silence, Lee remarked, "Cut it down, my dear madam, and forget it." (Charles Bracelen Flood)

One can learn several valuable lessons from this excellent advice:

First, by cutting down the tree and forgetting it, the woman would begin the process of healing the wounds of conflicts and war. If not, these wounds would continue to besiege the woman's mind with daily reminders of her anguish and suffering. Thus, her hurts and emotional trauma would be prolonged and her healing delayed.

Second, by allowing such symbols to remain, they promote the desire for sympathy and self-pity, as well as providing ample reasons for hatred, vengeance and resentment.

The third lesson is the most important because it offers the most plausible means of avoiding the pits of despair. In his simple statement, "Cut it down, my dear madam, and forget it," the General offered the only possible remedy for ridding the heart and head of the toxic effects of hatred and bitterness. Perhaps Lee remembered the words of the apostle Paul when he instructed, "Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice: And be ye kind one to

another; tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you." (Eph 4:31-32) "The ill effects of bitterness can result in defiling both the individual as well as others." (Heb 12:15) The writer of Hebrew warns: "Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord." <sup>15</sup> Looking diligently lest any man fail of the grace of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble you, and thereby many be defiled; <sup>16</sup> Lest there be any fornicator, or profane person, as Esau, who for one morsel of meat sold his birthright. <sup>17</sup> For ye know how that afterward, when he would have inherited the blessing, he was rejected: for he found no place of repentance, though he sought it carefully with tears." (Heb 12:14-17)



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# Ebenezer United Methodist Church To Celebrate 52<sup>nd</sup> Homecoming

*Submitted*  
 Ebenezer United Methodist Church in Hamburg will be celebrating its homecoming on Sunday, May 25. Services will begin at 11 a.m. Ms. Jenny Andrews will be the guest speaker.  
 After the service there will be dinner on the grounds. A Saturday night gospel sing will be held on May 24, beginning at 7 p.m., at the church. Many favorite old hymns will be sung.  
 Clean up of the church and grounds in preparation for the homecoming will be held on Saturday, May 17, beginning around 9 a.m.  
 Ebenezer Methodist Church was founded in 1840. The original church, constructed of logs, was down the hill and west of the current site and is now occupied by the cemetery. The present structure was erected in 1901. George Wilson, Sr. and Thomas L.H. Rykard helped with the construction. They made pulpits, flower stands (used ages ago for lamps), altar and pews as they were when the sanctuary was constructed. The chandelier (re-use) was given to the church around 1905 by Mrs. S.B. Mays, mother of George Mays, Sr. of Madison. Some of the early families were: Arnold, Burnett, Clark, Cooper, Crane, Drew, Edwards, Flowers, Hammerly, Harrell, Hinton, Hughey, Kirby, Loper, Manning, Martin, Morrow, McCardle, McClellan, McDaniel, Overstreet, Paul, Pridgeon, Rykard, Sale, Smith, Tooke, Vance, Vann, Wilson, Watts and Will. Many of whom are resting in the cemetery. Regular services were held at

the church until 1940, with the late Rev. L.P. Driskell serving as the last pastor.

The church sat idle until 1962 when George F. Burnett, Sr., one of the Trustees, whose parents worshiped there, realized the need for a new roof and painting. He shared the need with his friends and family who once worshiped at Ebenezer. They made sufficient donations to re-roof and paint the inside and outside. George Burnett, the Hugheys, Wilsons, Rykards, and many members of the community joined in restoring the well, cleaning the grounds and Jesse Hughey refinished the chandelier, making the first homecoming on Sunday, July 29, 1962 possible. Homecoming is now held every year on the last Sunday in May.

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# Renewed Life Outreach Center Hosts Community Day In Greenville

ed by Vanessa Unglaub

in planning rallies, revivals and reunions we do not know how the amount of folks attending will tally. It is not so much a science as it is an art when planning a large event to bring the "Kingdom of God" into the community. Pastor Chris and Jerri Peterson operated in such faith as they did for the "Rally" of April 26 in Greenville. A total of 520 pounds of food was donated and pounds upon pounds of beans and coleslaw were served. Tea, sodas and water bottles were stacked in preparation for an estimated 500 souls.

Enough food was prepared on April 25 and grills for the chickens lit on the following day, Pastor Chris prepared and lit the hearts of his congregations earlier. He prepared them for the "multitude" and he prepared for the "one." He taught us the working of Matthew 10 and how to "go

*to the lost sheep of the house of Israel, the lost and discouraged of (Greenville) and as ye go, preach saying the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand. Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils, freely ye have received, freely give."* And yet, he also taught that there is one certain "one" that the Lord seeks. For our Lord says "how think ye?...doth He not leave the ninety nine and goeth to seek the one?" The Lord's economy has a way of reducing all counting to

the smallest denomination of "one." While His count is "one", His purpose is "many."

So, on April 26, 149 people of Greenville registered at the rally. About 200 people were fed after a bonanza of prizes were given out by drawings. CDs, gift cards, books and other prizes were given to the community. Desmond Roberson, the Madison Boys Club and the Inspired Dance Praise team of Madison all set the atmosphere with praise as the people of Greenville ate in the park.

When eating was drawing to a close, Pastor Chris began to preach the gospel of the Lord. He powerfully offered the message of a Holy God coming as the Son, in flesh to buy back all that was lost from our rebellion towards Him. He offered an invitation for those who heard this gospel to receive Jesus as their Savior from rebellion and sin. He told them that they could then be "a disciple of Jesus." Many raised their hands to this offer from God. But then, Pastor Chris said, "Now let me tell you what it means to be His disciple." He then told them that it meant "giving it all, everything, your addiction, your time, your money, your lifestyle of the flesh, your everything to Him because He has given you His everything. You have everything you need to give Him everything. He wants it all because He loves you." He paused and then asked "Now, who still wants to follow Jesus?" Some reluctant, some boldly, raised their hands. More than one gave it all to Jesus. Much more than one.

Following the invitation, Pastor briefly explained the meaning of Salvation from the Greek word "Sozo." He told the listeners that not only are we redeemed from healing and ransomed from sin, we also receive deliverance from addictions and healing of diseases. He *Story cont. on page 7B*

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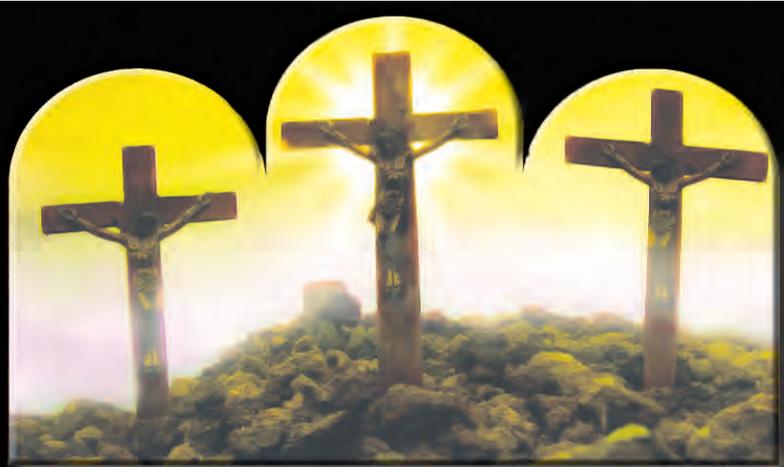
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# Picture From The Past

## Baptism Ceremony Held For Sirmans Baptist Church



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 Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.  
 Worship Service .....11:00 a.m.  
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 Wednesday Family Training Hour .....7:00 p.m.

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#### Sunday

Sunday School .....9:45 a.m.  
 Morning Worship .....11:00 a.m.  
 Evening - BTC.....6:30 p.m.  
 Evening Worship.....7:30 p.m.

#### Wednesday

Prayer Meeting .....7:30 p.m.

### Macedonia Baptist Church

5539 E US 90 • Lee

(850) 971-5331

Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.  
 Worship service.....11:00 a.m.  
 Wednesday Prayer Meeting.....6:00 p.m.



Photo Courtesy Of The Florida State Archives

In 1946, World War II was a year behind the country as the country struggled to wobbly knees, trying to regain their feet. Many people regained their feet by finding the strength to stand while down on their knees. As many became converted to the Christian faith, baptisms in local ponds were a common site. This baptism, held in 1946 by Sirmans Baptist Church, was one of the events where people celebrated their salvation from sin by being immersed in the water. Shown left to right are: Belle Bailey, Christine Hearn Bailey, Laverne Bailey, Rev. Colin Lewis and Tom Bailey. The woman in the background is unidentified.

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### ved Life Cont. From Page 4B

ed to walk among folks who wanted healing and deliverance. He walked among them laying hands on them, one at a time, with his congregation g. Many more than “one” were given healing and many more than “one” were given deliverance through the laying on of hands. watched God work many works, one by one on that day, as Pastor Chris had the congregation move through the crowd. Perhaps, the best summary vent is from a homeless man who was traveling through Greenville in his van. He walked through the park on this day curiously to “just watch a n thing.” A member of the congregation talked to him and had an opportunity to pray with him. In the moment of prayer, the Lord moved in a way within the man. As he came away from the prayer, he said “Wow, I have never felt God in prayer before this very moment! I am so certain, for hout a doubt, that God is in this place.” member said in recollection of the encounter “then I remembered that it is all for this one.”



Photo Submitted By Vanessa Unglaub

Volunteers are ready to sign up teen and children participant's at the tables during the community outreach.



Photo Submitted By Vanessa Unglaub

People get into the music led by Marcus Roberson and clap their hands in the park.



Photo Submitted By Vanessa Unglaub

It's standing room only as the crowd enjoys the outreach done by Renewed Life Outreach Center.

# ICAN Representatives Recognized



Photo Submitted By Retis Flowers

Retis Flowers, pastor of Midway Church of God and one of the members of ICAN (Interfaith Community Action Network, Inc.), a benevolent ministry that meets the needs of people in Madison County, presented certificates of appreciation to Linda Gaston, Rev. James Howes, Deborah Brown and Rev. Octavious Tookes recently for their work as board members of ICAN and with the community. Pictured left to right are: Gaston, Howes' fiancée, who accepted on his behalf, Brown and Tookes.

## Short WPA History Of Pinetta Baptist Church

by Bembry

*Publishing, Inc.*

Approaching their 100<sup>th</sup> birthday, four years from now in 2018, Pinetta Baptist Church has had a long and storied history, preaching the gospel of Jesus Christ in the community that is north of Madison on the way to Marietta, Georgia. In the 1930s, part of their history was recorded for posterity.

During the Great Depression, as part of President Franklin Roosevelt's New Deal program, the Works Progress Administration (WPA) was created. A total of \$15,500,000 (15.5 million) was allocated to archive the history of churches throughout the country. A number of Madison County churches were archived by the WPA, including Macedonia Baptist Church.

According to the WPA record, which may have been collected by WPA worker Margaret Jones in 1937, the church was constituted in 1918 and served by Rev. R. Berry, who served from 1918 until 1937. The church was held in a small, white-frame building which was dedicated in 1920. The first settled pastor was Rev. R. Berry, who served from 1918 until 1937. In the time of the WPA record, Rev. James A. Nichols was the pastor; he assumed the seat in 1937. Nichols was a graduate of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky. Today, Rev. Dean Spivey is the pastor.

In the time of the WPA record, Pinetta Baptist was listed as a quarter-

time church, meeting the third Thursday of each month and had 137 members. Active organizations included the Sunday School, the Baptist Training Union and the Women's Missionary Union.

There were two volumes of church records, dating from 1918, which included the minutes of business meetings, reports, the membership roll, as well as lists of baptisms and deaths. M.G. Law, of Pinetta was the custodian of the church records.

There was one volume of financial records, in the custody of Gordon Keeling, of Valdosta, Ga, dating from 1918. The records showed disbursements and receipts.

There were two volumes of Sunday School records, dating from 1918. Kept in the custody of Howard Kinsey, the records showed pupils, teachers, officers, attendance, collections and disbursements.

There was one volume of Baptist Training Union records. The records showed members, meetings of meetings, collections and disbursements. They were dated from 1927.

There was one volume of Women's Missionary Union records, dating from 1925, showing minutes of meetings, members, collections and disbursements.

There was no one listed as custodian for either the Baptist Training Union or Women's Missionary Union records.

# Friends In High Places

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me pose a couple questions. What would you do if you found out  
e you knew was pregnant out of wedlock? How would you act if  
e you knew was addicted to drugs? Within your church? Would you  
em? Would you hug them? Would you treat them as if you didn't  
is life-altering event existed? Would you love them but only from a  
? Would you reject them?

posed me these same questions a couple years ago. It lay extremely  
n my heart. I was torn from welcoming them, loving them from a  
e, or rejecting them because they had major junk to take care of. Part  
heart was saying "Shame on them!! They need to keep it together. Get  
n life." But when I'd say that, I would look at myself and say "Now  
you were at a point in your life when your life was in the trash. For  
cter, you still need to work some things out." And then the third part  
heart would say "Yeah, Hunter. We'll love them. We'll care for them  
y for them, but all from a distance. I mean, we can't really associate  
m, can we? Certainly not be seen with them." See what kind of bat-  
ld go through in my head? I was torn between three logics where I  
nd three different scriptures to back each point. I was torn!

gan to ask around. I was asking people I spoke honestly with and got  
answers in return. Some gave good insight and good arguments for  
estion. "We should love them, yes, but only from a distance and pray  
n from afar. We do not need to associate with them for *"Bad compa-  
pts good character."* (1Cor. 15:33). Point taken. I wasn't fully con-  
I began to dig deeper into the Word and try and find some kind of  
. After diligent searches, nothing. All it did was make it even hard-  
e to find a conclusion. I mean the verses to back my first arguments  
found in the same book. The Bible. See my dilemma? My question  
ays "What/how should a Christian do/act if..." I began to pray,  
please give me revelation on my question. Give me scripture to find  
YOU stand on this topic. What would YOU do if this happened?"  
sponse to me was "You know, Hunter. My son does have a biography.  
im out." DUH!!

ecided, shortly after bouncing randomly between Matthew, Mark,  
d John, that I would just start from the beginning in Matthew 1:1  
o the end of John's last verse. And so I read. I began to find other  
n Matthew that I had never known and it caught my interest. Soon,  
my main mission and put it to the side and gnawed on other topics.  
e weeks went by and I completely forgot about my original question  
my thoughts. That was until God kept me up one morning at 2:30. I  
ng a little late night studying. "Better late than never." I was reading  
ew 9 that particular night.

hew 9:9 starts by Jesus going to Matthew (or Levi), who was a tax  
r and saying "Follow me." In verse 10, Jesus then went to Matthew's  
nd ate. He not only ate with Matthew, and his own disciples, but also  
*any other tax collectors and 'sinners.'*" The Pharisees, in verse 11,  
s and asked Jesus' disciples why Jesus was among them and eating  
m. The reason they asked this was unknown to me. God bless the  
ble. It says "Jewish tax collectors were regarded as outcasts. They  
ot serve as witnesses or as judges and were expelled from the syna-  
In the eyes of the Jewish community their disgrace extended to  
milies." WOW!! That means if your dad or brother or son was a tax  
c; good luck, because you are gonna need it to make it in life. The  
'sinners' also had me stumped. So, again, God bless the study bible.  
s- Notoriously evil people as well as those who refused to follow the  
Law interpreted by the teachers of the law. The term was common-  
of tax collectors, adulterers, robbers and the like." Basically, the  
es were asking why Jesus was eating among all these people that are  
or evil things, people that have been proclaimed as outcasts. I even  
ese questions. His answer is incredible! The answer to my prayers  
y here. Verse 12 "On hearing this, Jesus said, *'it is not the healthy who*

*need a doctor, but the sick. 13 But go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners.'*"

Jesus was eating among sinners. If you aren't aware, when they would  
eat among each other it was a sign of great friendship. Jesus was declaring  
them as friends. He was saying to them, "Hey, I know what people call you  
and how they treat you, but you know what, I don't care. I'm gonna love you  
anyway. I'll be your friend. Not from a distance, but at the dinner table.  
Come break bread with me. I'll accept you." It got the attention of the  
Pharisees. And 10 out of 10 times when Jesus angered the "Men of the Law,"  
he was doing something right.

I've come to the conclusion that you don't have to have everything  
together for Jesus to be your friend. He loves you! He didn't come to call the  
righteous, but the sinners. The people like me. I'm a sinner. 100 percent  
guilty. 100 percent forgiven. As the church, I think we struggle with accept-  
ing people where they are in life. So what if they are pregnant, or addicted  
to drugs, or porn. So what if they are a convicted felon, or live on the streets.  
So what if they smell funny or have a weird hairstyle. How do you expect  
them to grasp the fact that God accepts them where they are, if we can't  
accept them? Love them anyway. Isn't the great Sunday school answer "Hate  
the sin, love the sinner." God has called us to walk with each other. *"As iron  
sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another."* (Proverbs 27:17) We need to get  
out and touch the lives of the people that need our help. Touch the people  
that need God's help. No more telling people they need to leave their junk at  
the church doors before they enter. No more telling people they need to quit  
drugs, or prostituting, or any of the "sinners" credentials before we'll  
accept them. It's nonsense. *"While we were still sinners, Christ died for  
us."* (Romans 5:8) He accepted you when you had garbage. Reach out and  
touch the life of someone who isn't accepted by the world, by the "law men,"  
or by the church. God bless.

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# Sign Up Now For North Florida Youth Camp

by Bob Bembry  
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"Flood Warning" is in effect for the North Florida Youth Camps, to be held at the Live Oak Church of God, in Live Oak, this summer.

There are two different camps, with two different dates, set for the four- to five-day, three-night camps. The first camp to be held will be the Teen Camp to be held from July 7-11, and will feature Phil Stacey as the speaker for the evening services.

The Primary/Junior Camp will be held July 14-18 and will feature Bob McGlammery as the speaker for each evening's services.

Applications can be picked up for both camps at Madison Church of God, Midway Church of God. The fee for each camp is \$90 per person with a \$25 deposit. A camp t-shirt is guaranteed if the teen or child is registered by June 20.

According to the website for the camp ([www.liveoakchurchofgod.com](http://www.liveoakchurchofgod.com)), the North Florida Youth Camp facilities are located in the town of Live Oak in beautiful North Florida. Located on Live Oak Church of God's 34 acre campus, we have our main sanctuary that seats 400-500 people with a fellowship hall, education wing and a miniature commercial kitchen. In our 10,000 sq. ft. Family Life Center, we have a full size gym where you will find basketball, dodge ball, volleyball and a variety of other games. In this building we also have a cafeteria, full size commercial kitchen, youth conference rooms, weight room, showers and lockers in the restrooms.

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# A Salute To Our Hometown 2014 Graduates

# MCHS Valedictorian

## Ali Patron



By Lynette Norris  
*Greene Publishing, Inc.*

Ali Patron, daughter of Rob and Wanda Patron, has earned the title of Valedictorian of Madison County High School's Class of 2014, with a weighted GPA of 4.4, as well as a GPA of 4.0 for her dual enrollment classes at NFCC, where she has already completed 45 credit hours.

In addition to academics, she has also participated in several sports, including soccer (one year), volleyball (two years) and lettering in tennis, which she played all four years, three as a first seed.

She has been active in several school clubs and organizations. She has served as the president of the MCHS Key Club this past year, and in FCCLA, she was an officer for two years, winning three gold medals in state competition and one gold medal at the national level. She was part of the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and

Mathematics) for three years and was a Sunshine State STEM Scholar Representative for Madison County. She has been a member of Beta Club for a year and served as the vice president of her senior class.

Besides her school activities, she is also a member of the First United Methodist church.

Her future plans include a bachelor's degree in biological sciences at the University of Florida, where she will be part of the Honors Program through which she will be coauthoring and tutoring refugee children in the local area, researching and writing her own thesis as an undergraduate student and spending a semester abroad. "Each of these experiences will be a great college experience and help shape me into a productive member of society," she says. Her future plans she has mapped out so far.

She also hopes to earn a master's degree, possibly a Ph.D, and ultimately conduct research in the field of microbiology.

# MCHS Salutatorian

## Lacey Clayton

By Lynette Norris  
*Greene Publishing, Inc.*

Lacey Clayton, the daughter of Jennifer Cox and John Charles Clayton, is the salutatorian for the Madison County High School Class of 2014, with an unweighted GPA of 3.97 and a weighted GPA of 4.444.

During her high school year, she has served as auxiliary band captain, vice president of projects for the FCCLA, and editor-in-chief for the MCHS yearbook. In Student Government Association, she served as treasurer one year and was also the president of her junior class. She is a member of the Key Club and the FCCLA, where she has earned three gold medals in photography, chapter service project and in hospitality, tourism and recreation.

She has also already earned her A.A. Degree with an emphasis in business, and graduated with a 3.93 GPA.

Her future plans include attending the University of North Florida in the fall, where she hopes to major in marketing, and eventually earn a global MBA.



# MCHS 2014 Graduation Dates

## MCHS Baccalaureate Slated For May 27



## MCHS Graduation To Be Held On May 30

Lynette Norris  
*Greene Publishing, Inc.*

The traditional baccalaureate service, a celebration which honors a graduating senior from a college or high school, is typically an interdenominational service, held in a few days of graduation. It is believed to derive from the medieval European custom of presenting the candidates for the degree of Bachelor (magister) with laurels (lauri), in a ceremony of celebration and thanksgiving for lives dedicated to learning and wisdom. Madison County High School will honor and celebrate the lives of its senior class with

the traditional Baccalaureate Service on May 27, 2014, at NFCC's Van H. Priest Auditorium. The service by the Madison County Ministerial Association will begin at 7 p.m. At approximately 8 p.m., the presentation of awards will begin, honoring many members of the senior class in recognition of their hard work throughout the year. Please come out and show your support for the Madison County High School's young men and women as they stand on a threshold in their lives between what has gone before and what lies ahead – the evening of their graduation at Boothill Stadium, and beyond.

By Lynette Norris  
*Greene Publishing, Inc.*

As the evening sun goes down over Madison County High School's Boothill Stadium on Friday, May 30, for some, it will be the last time they will enter that field as students. Once their names are called, and one by one, they march across the platform to receive their high school diplomas, they will

become, officially, graduates of Madison County High School, of the Class of 2014.

The Graduation Ceremony will begin at 8 p.m. The valedictory address will be given by Ali Patron and the salutatory address by Lacey Clayton.

Family members, friends and loved ones are invited to come out to Boothill Stadium, Friday, May 30, to honor the MCHS Class of 2014.




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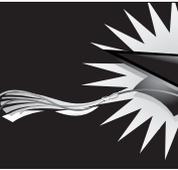



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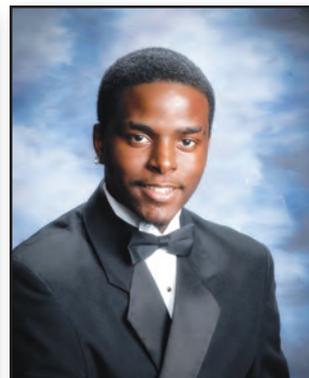
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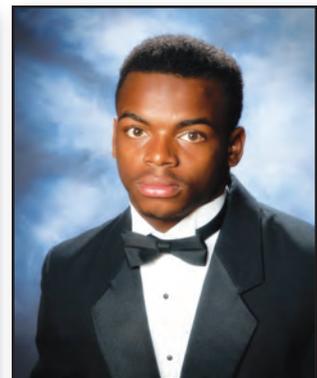
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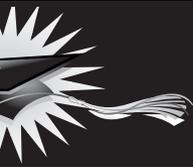
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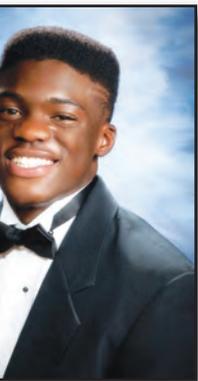
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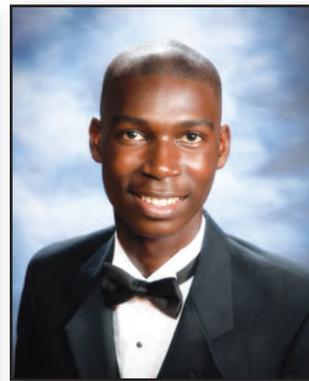
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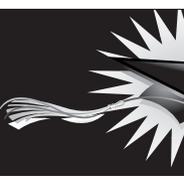
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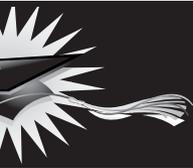
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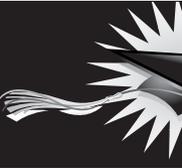
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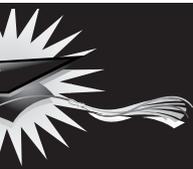
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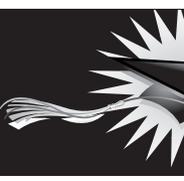
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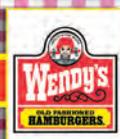
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# ACA Class Of 2014

## Valedictorian Aimee Love

By Fran Hunt  
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**A**imee Love is the Aucilla Christian Academy Valedictorian for 2014. She has a 4.0 unweighted grade point average, and she has been enrolled in Advanced Placement classes for the past two years.

Aimee is involved in several different activities at the school. "I have been a member of Beta Club for four years. I served as treasurer for two years, and currently serve as president," she said. "I have been the yearbook Editor for two years, and I have participated in Brain Bowl for six years."

She also volunteers for several different organizations. "I volunteer through Beta Club, I have volunteered for multiple community activities, including Toys for Tots and Relay for Life. This year, I am serving as team captain for our club's Relay team. I have also been involved in teaching a Sunday school class at church (Monticello Church of Christ)," she said.

Aimee plans to attend Florida State University, where she will study Early Childhood/Elementary Education. She plans to continue living here while she continues her education.

She wishes to remain in Jefferson County and become a teacher. "I would love to teach lower elementary grades. If I am able to further my education in graduate school, I would like to study some type of special education so I can

work with students with handicaps or disabilities," she added.

Aimee has been working with students the past several years. "I have been independently tutoring several students, from elementary high school ages, at school for four years. It has helped me realize that I want to teach," she added.

So, what has been the greatest influence on her education? "My parents have definitely had a great influence on my education. They have never been hard on me for my grades. They have simply taught me, through their example, to always do my best, no matter how small the task," Aimee answered.

What does she attribute her academic success to? "I have always made my education a priority. I try to work hard and stay focused on the tasks I have been given. Ultimately, it is not about what grade I make. It is about whether I have done my very best with the talent God has given me," she said.

Will Aimee hold to the beliefs taught at ACA while she attended ACA? "I will hold to the Biblical values I have been taught at ACA. I am so thankful I have been able to attend a school that is committed to having God in the middle of my education," Aimee said.

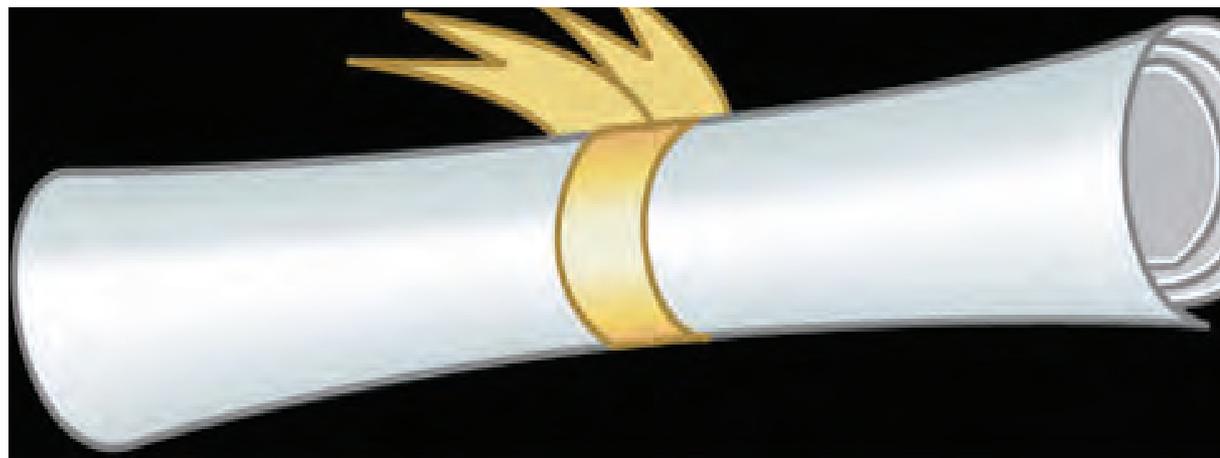
Her hobbies include fishing, reading, and spending time with family.

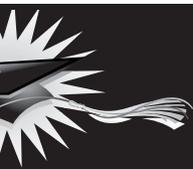
Aimee is the daughter of Joel and Aimee Love of Jefferson County.



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# ACA Class Of 2014



## Salutatorian Cole Davis

Christian Athletes, Beta Club and Living Waters.

Cole often volunteers. "Through the Junior Beta Club and my church (First United Methodist of Valdosta), I have been able to volunteer significantly in the community," he said.

Cole plans to attend Auburn University, where he plans to major in history. Then he wishes to go into Pre-Med.

So what are his career goals? "To establish myself as a successful medical doctor, and then get involved in politics at the State and possibly national level," Cole answered.

What was the greatest influence on his education? "The greatest influence on my education has been the diligence, perseverance and American entrepreneurship exemplified in my grandfather," he said. "And I could definitely attribute my academic success to the principles of diligence, steadfastness and perseverance expressed in the Bible and in the lives of men that have gone before me. By looking to God's Word, and carefully studying the examples of the great men of yesterday, I have been inspired throughout my life to do my very best in every aspect of life."

Cole plans to hold to the beliefs taught at Aucilla. "I believe that the fundamental, Christian values expressed in the Bible and championed by my school are the keys to a life of success and peace," said Cole.

After graduating college, he does not yet know if he wishes to stay in this area or not. "I am not currently certain where I will live after college. However, I do know that wherever I live, it will be in the Southern States."

He is also a hard worker outside of school. "Ever since I have been old enough to be of any real assistance, I have worked on my father's plantation through grounds-keeping and caretaking," he added.

He does not participate in school sports, however, he does enjoy after school recreational weightlifting.

His hobbies include playing the guitar, reading, hunting and weightlifting.

Cole is the son of Hank and Tonja Davis of Madison County.

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Cole Davis is the Aucilla Christian Academy Salutatorian for the 2014 school year.  
He has an unweighted grade point average (GPA) of 3.92, and a weighted GPA of 4.2.  
For the past two years, he has taken AP Placement statistics, U.S. history, algebra, microeconomics, American government and literature.  
He is a member of several school organizations including serving as the Student Body president, Brain Bowl, Fellowship of

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# ACA 2014 Graduation Dates

## ACA Baccalaureate May 23

By Fran Hunt  
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The Aucilla Christian Academy Baccalaureate of the 2014 senior class will be hosted, 7 p.m., Friday, May 23 in the ACA auditorium.

Students will process to "Pomp and Circumstance" by Elgar, and Senior Class Secretary Ashley Hebert will offer invocation.

The hymn "Down To The River We Pray," will be performed.

Andy Self will provide special music.

Whitney Stevens will introduce special speaker Jim Man, Secondary Science Teacher, who will give the baccalaureate address.

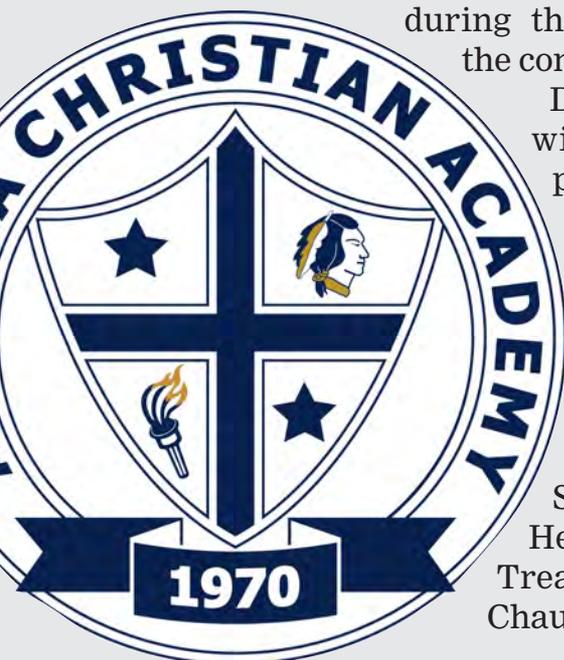
The hymn "The Old Rugged Cross" will be performed.

The benediction will be offered by Capas Kinsey.

The seniors will exit to "Aida Grand March" by Verdi, during the recessional, as the congregation stands.

Debby Demott, will serve as the pianist for the ceremony.

Class Officers include  
President Marisa Duber,  
Vice-President Lauren Demott,  
Secretary Ashley Hebert, and  
Treasurer Payal Chaudhari.



## ACA Graduation May 24

By Fran Hunt  
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Graduation of the 2014 senior class of Aucilla Christian Academy will be at 7 p.m., Saturday, May 24 in the ACA auditorium.

Students will process to "Pomp and Circumstance" by Elgar, and Cole Davis will offer invocation.

ACA Principal Richard E. Finlayson will welcome all to the ceremony and the Salutatorian address will be given by Cole Davis.

Special music will be provided by Cole Davis.

Aimee Love will give the Valedictorian address.

Seniors, family, friends and guests will then sing the Alma Mater "Blue and Gold" and Marisa Duber will introduce the guest speaker for the evening, Madison County Sheriff Ben Stewart.

ACA Principal Richard E. Finlayson and Chairman of the Board Kevin Slaughter will present diplomas and Finlayson will present awards. White cords symbolize Honors, and Gold cords represent Beta Club.

Hunter Horne will offer the benediction and the students will recess to "Aida Grand March" by Verdi, as the congre-

gation stands.

A reception will be held in the pavilion on the front lawn immediately following graduation in honor of the graduates and their guests. The junior class will be providing the reception.

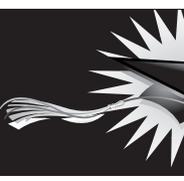
Serving as hostesses will be Kayla Knecht and Maddie Everett. Serving as ushers will be Carson Nennstiel, Cole Schwab, Timothy Burrus and Ricky Finlayson.

The graduating class of 2014 includes; Victoria Dawn Brock, Payal R. Chaudhari, William Devan Courtney, Salutatorian Coleman Hank Davis, Lauren Amanda Demott, William Casey Demott, Marisa Rae Duber, Jacob Chance Dunbar, Hayley Yvonne Grantham (loved by her fellow students graduated early into the presence of Jesus), Ashley Nicole Hebert, Timothy Brandon Holm, Hunter Austin Horne, Brooke Elizabeth Joiner, William Capas Kinsey, Valedictorian Aimee Denise Love, Braden Kenneth Mattingly, Ashlyn Marie Mills, Sara Nicole Peeler, Christiana Marie Reams, Mallory Brooke Register and Whitney Taylor Stevens.

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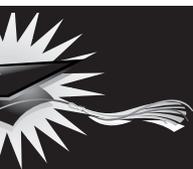
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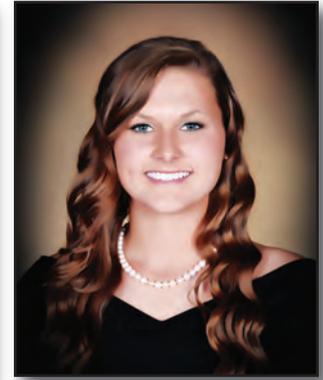
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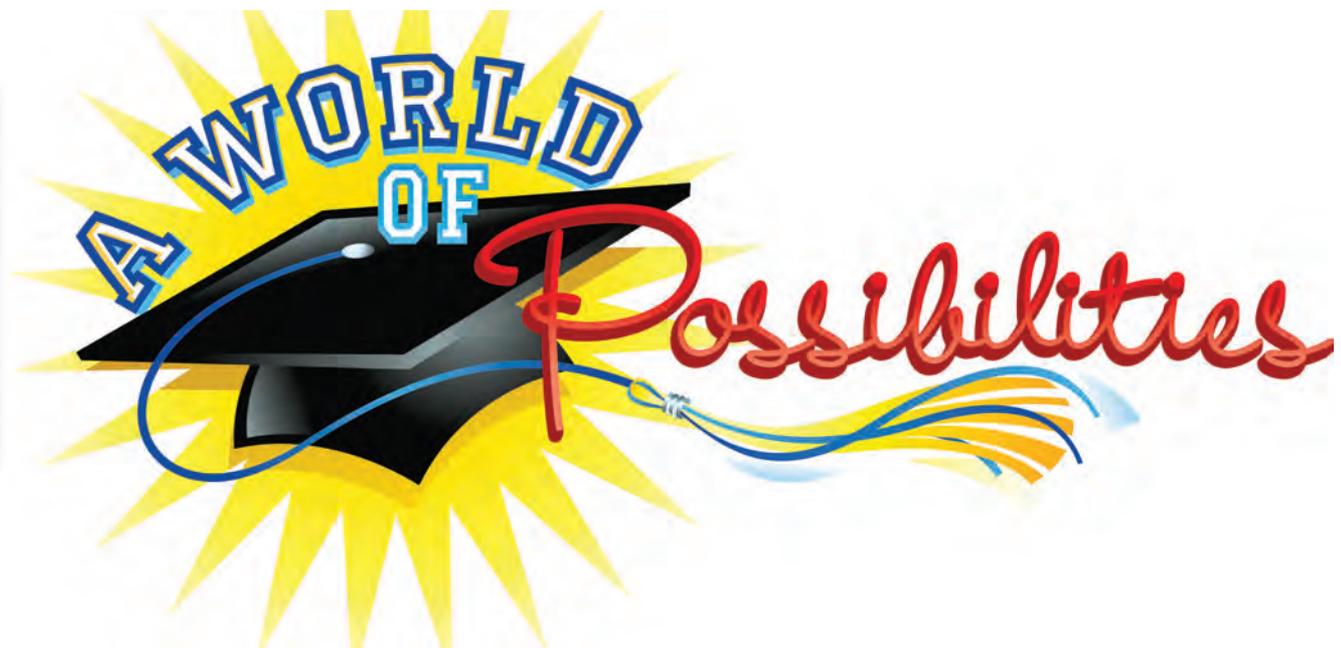
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