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City OKs tentative millage, budget

By STEVE BAUER

ARCADIAN ASSISTANT EDITOR

The Arcadia City Council took its first step toward officially setting the city's 2013-14 millage and budget, approving both 5-0 and 4-1 respectively during its first public budget hearing.

Finance Director Renee Green recommended the council approve a millage rate of 8.6694, a slight increase from the current rate of 8.5859. One mill equals \$1 of tax on every \$1,000 of taxable value. The council's main concern with the increase was whether the additional revenue would be

enough to meet the council's own resolution to set aside 17 percent for its reserve fund. "Is this going to help us satisfy the Legislative Audit Committee in Tallahassee? Because we've got a real fear factor here regarding that," said Councilwoman Alice Frierson. Green responded that it would help, but mentioned the city would be \$22,000 short of meeting its reserve goal.

"I think you're close enough," said Mayor Keith Keene. "I believe our city administrator has said those funds could be made up at some point during the year." The council then voted unanimously to approve the proposed

millage rate.

Green then presented the city with a proposed budget of \$9,935,228, which includes an adjusted Arcadia Police Department budget number of \$1,507,733, up from a previously proposed \$1,441,577. The increase is due to the city moving code enforcement back into the APD budget, which amounts to a transfer of funds from administration to APD, and does not increase the city's overall budget.

Several council members expressed their approval of the city budget, but Councilman Joe Fink voiced his concerns over the APD's budget.

"I cannot support this budget. We're continuing to expand the APD and there is no way the state won't come in here," he said. "\$170,000 is not going to put a dent in an ever-increasing budget, and we aren't dealing with the systemic issues we have."

After Fink spoke, Keene added the council needs to join a movement started in Broward County to ask the state legislature to authorize Florida cities to find a different way of funding their police departments. "That is an option we need to seriously look at

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Fire Rescue Chief Glenn Prescott retires

Chief Glenn Prescott enjoys a lighter moment as Captain Dan Collins presents him with a "Hot Dog Lovers" award, and shares some stories of meals through the years they worked together.

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DMH discusses mortgage relief, pension changes

By **STEVE BAUER**

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The DeSoto Memorial Hospital Board of Directors discussed several potential cost-cutting measures at its August 29 meeting, including the use of a



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DeSoto Memorial Hospital CEO Vince Sica addresses board members during the hospital's board meeting August 29.

\$550,000 reserve fund to pay the facility's mortgage and potential changes to employee retirement plans.

DMH CEO Vince Sica told board members he and CFO Dan Hogan inquired about a reserve fund through the U.S. Department of Agriculture the hospital has been paying into for several years. Sica said it was assumed the fund was for specific purposes, but the USDA informed Hogan the money could be used for situations such as financial hardship.

"I give credit to Dan for this for asking about it," Sica said. "This money could be used to make our mortgage payments in the short term, and we could build it back up by using our meaningful use money we will be receiving in February or March of 2014."

The board then unanimously approved having Hogan move forward with the reserve fund application process.

In other business, Sica informed members the hospital is considering changing its employee pension program, instituting a matching program in 2014. Currently the hospital pays into employee pension plans, and Sica says most hospitals have now switched to the matching program, where an employee must contribute to their plans before the hospital would pay into it.

"After conducting research of area hospitals, we've found that only Sarasota General and DMH aren't

matching employee retirement contributions," he said. Sica continued the administration was looking at stopping pension contributions until January, and then start 2014 with a new matching program.

"This is something we will be discussing with staff at our town hall meetings, and our goal is to educate employees and receive their feedback on the matter," he said.

Sica also informed the board the hospital would have to eliminate its Christmas party for budgetary purposes. He then suggested having the hospital increase the amount on the gift cards employees receive as a holiday bonus. "I'd like to see us look into this option; it seems like a fair route to pursue."

Potential tax revenue

Sica told the board he had contacted State Representative Ben Albritton and Senator Bill Galvano about the possibility of having the state legislature act to restore the hospital district's taxing authority. DMH currently has no taxing authority over DeSoto County residents because of an agreement it made with the state in 1977 to give up taxing authority in exchange for \$50,000 annually from the state's racetrack fund. Sica said the idea was met with hesitation.

"Neither representative felt it would be a good idea, because the governor would not support any legislation that

would involve new taxes," he said.

Sica also said hospital administration had recently met with County Administrator Guy Maxcy and Commissioner Jim Selph to discuss a possible county ordinance for a public referendum to vote on a county sales tax for the hospital. The county had previously denied a request in June by DMH to approve a two mill increase to the county's current millage rate. One mill equals \$1 of tax on every \$1,000 of taxable value. Sica said Selph asked the hospital to wait until January to approach the board regarding an ordinance that would approve a sales tax through a county referendum.

"Jim said they would prefer we wait until the county finishes with its 2013-14 budget, and once that is completed we can work with them to try and get a sales tax on the ballot next November," he said.

In other business, the board heard about the implementation of a computer order entry system for doctors to help them input patient information such as notes, current medications, etc. Hospital physicians are currently attending training sessions to learn the system. DMH is also close to introducing its Patient Portal, which will allow access to patient records electronically regardless of where services were rendered. The program is being implemented now, and is expected to be operational by September or October.

COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

Watch out for another scam

The Sarasota County Sheriff's Office has received a number of complaints concerning citizens receiving telephone calls that attempt to convince the receiving party to wire money to free or otherwise assist a relative in distress. All of the complaints received so far have a common originating telephone number from Massachusetts.

Anyone receiving a similar call is advised to contact the person supposedly needing assistance independently from the call to confirm their need. Do not just wire money without confirmation that the call is legitimate and not a scam.

Anyone who receives a similar call is asked to contact their local Law Enforcement Agency's to make a report. Locally you can call the non-emergency number at the DeSoto County Sheriff's Office, at 863-993-4700, and ask to be connected to a desk officer who will take a report.

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Certain sterile products recalled

The Florida Department of Health, in partnership with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and Texas state health officials, is currently monitoring the voluntary recall of all sterile products produced and distributed by Specialty Compounding LLC in Cedar Park, TX. At this time there is no evidence

that these products were distributed in the state of Florida and the Department is working to verify that the products were not shipped into the state.

The recall was initiated after Texas officials were notified of bacterial bloodstream infections potentially related to the company's calcium gluconate infusions used to treat low calcium levels. Specialty Compounding distributes products to hospitals, physicians' offices, as well as directly to patients. At this time, there is no known risk to Floridians, but DOH is working vigilantly alongside the FDA, CDC and Texas officials to assess the extent of the potential contamination.

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pursuing," he said.

Only one member of the audience, Gary Frierson, chose to address the council regarding the city's budget. "Looking at the numbers in front of me, things don't appear to be as dire as people are making them out to be," he said. "We have money in several departments that can be transferred in an emergency situation, and from my calculations it's in excess of \$1 million. The city's budget looks pretty stable from my point of view."

After further discussion the council voted 4-1 to approve the budget, with Fink casting the lone dissenting vote.

The council will hold its final public hearing on the budget Tuesday, Sept. 17, at which time they will approve a final budget to be presented to the state.

Insurance change

In other business, the council approved a change of insurance carriers from United Healthcare to Blue Cross/Blue Shield, along with dropping city contributions toward employee dependent care. The move is the result of a potential 44 percent premium increase by United Healthcare, as opposed to a 13 to 15 percent increase with Blue Cross/Blue Shield. The premium increase will affect the city's 2014 budget, with an estimated increased deficit of approximately \$20,000. "We'll have to look at the numbers and find some

areas where we can get that amount back," said City Administrator Judith Jankosky. The council then unanimously approved changing carriers, which will be effective Oct. 1.

APD Marshal Matt Anderson asked council for direction on how to handle continued code enforcement complaints between vendors and store owners during the first and fourth Saturday antique fairs. Anderson said although he and City Attorney T.J. Wohl are working on updating many of the current codes, in the meantime the department needed guidance on how to handle the variety of complaints it has been receiving.

Several members of the council recommended simply closing off selected streets, allowing vendors to set up in the road and away from the sidewalks

and storefronts.

"I think that makes the most sense, just close some of the streets and that will solve most of these issues," Frierson said. Councilman Bob Heine agreed, saying the fighting going on between vendors and the Arcadia Antiques Association had gone on long enough and needs to stop. "Let's just close down the streets; I know that's how it's done in many other cities with these types of street fairs," he said. "This bickering has been going on for years — it's always something."

The council then asked Wohl to draft an ordinance that would close down certain streets during the antique events, and requested it be completed within the next month so the council could vote to approve it before the winter season begins.

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Fire Protection Specialist Supervisor Agustin Valdes, representing the State Fire Marshal's office, presents Chief Prescott with a certificate in recognition of his 29+ years of service.



Deputy Chief Larry Taylor presents Fire Chief Glenn Prescott with some parting gifts to help him ease into his retirement after more than 29 years of service.

Right, attendees of Fire Chief Glenn Prescott's retirement party luncheon held at the Turner Center on Thursday were able to sign a congratulatory banner for him after his retirement from the department in his career of over 29 years.



DeSoto County Fire and Rescue Chief Prescott was presented with many items to commemorate and celebrate his more than 29 years of service from March of 1984 until August 30, 2013. He is hoping to do quite a bit of fishing as he eases into his retirement.



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OUR VIEW

BOCC OKs motor park in Sunnybreeze

Our view: BOCC made the right call in the face of public pressure.

The DeSoto Board of County Commissioners did the right thing in approving the luxury motor home park Tuesday in the Sunnybreeze area.

It was a difficult choice, given that half the speakers who came Tuesday night to the commission meeting were opposed.

But the commissioners voted in accordance with the law and the county's regulations. And even though the meeting lasted late into the night, they maintained order and decorum during the process.

The project entails individual lots that would be sold to owners who want a place to camp with their large, high-end buses. These are not your run-of-the-mill fifth wheels: these are expensive vehicles that can easily cost more than \$1 million. Because the lots are privately owned by individuals, this would not be the kind of RV park where people come for a few days or weeks, and then leave, with others to replace them. Each lot sold would be used only by its owner. Photos of similar parks built by the same applicant depict neat, nicely landscaped lots.

This park would not have public amenities as are usually found in typical RV parks — no community pool, no big campfires. The developer also agreed to several conditions, including bringing utilities to the property and improving the Sunnybreeze golf course, at the company's expense. According to one witness, properties adjoining a similar project in Naples actually saw their property values go up. By all accounts, this will be a classy, quiet development that is likely to enhance the surrounding area.

Emotions were running high, especially among those who opposed the project. But to the commissioners' credit, everyone in the chambers behaved themselves — no name calling or cat calls from the audience, no rolling eyes or audible sighs from the dais. Speakers said their piece, expressed their opinions and stuck to the allotted time limits.

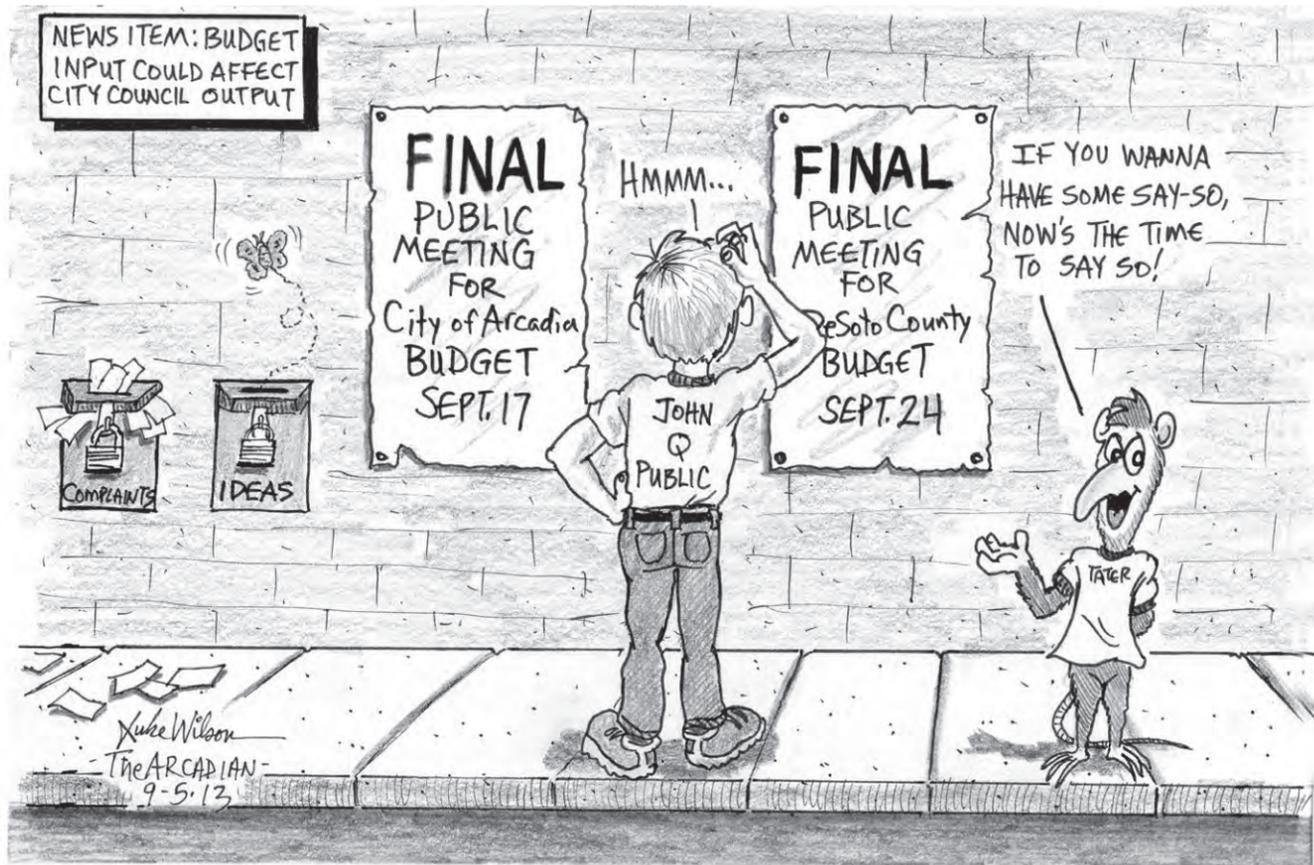
It can be hard for an elected official to vote in one way if he thinks some of his constituents prefer the alternative. Every time an elected official sticks his neck out like that, he risks losing some votes.

But there is more risk in voting contrary to the law. In the end, each commissioner has to be guided by what he understands the law to require, even if it is not the popular choice.

In a previous editorial, we encouraged BOCC to use its discretion to consider approving, with conditions if appropriate, activities that could stimulate the local economy. In this case, we believe BOCC acted correctly in approving the project with specific conditions. DeSoto residents should be optimistic that the county is giving this developer a chance — who knows what might come from it?

We appreciate the fears and concerns some of the neighbors have, but we believe the conditions will assure the project won't morph into something offensive or tacky. In this case, commissioners exercised their discretion to allow a project which will likely add to the local economy. We know some people opposed it, but we trust that — when it's completed — residents will find it a much better neighbor than they originally thought.

And we hope City Council will take a page from BOCC's book in how to conduct meetings.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

County commission destroyed property rights

Editor:

The Pharisees (Commission) broke every rule of zoning by allowing an RV park to be placed right in the middle of the retirement community, surrounded by 50 residential houses.

Enthralled by the dubious prospect of huge additional revenue, four of our protectors of the public's property rights voted to destroy the property values of the

long-established quiet, peaceful community.

Only one member established any mercy by using common sense to say that this is not the place for this project, especially since there is other property available nearby this is close to county water and sewer and would not disturb any residences. Thank you, Mr. Langford.

DeSoto is really number one in this category — being the first county to allow an RV park to be placed in the middle of a long-established

residential community.

Anybody want to buy a house with a field full of huge diesel units 50 feet from your lanai?

Everybody beware — if another potential project comes up that might possibly add to the coffers, regardless of the damage it would cause, it can be you that this commission throws under the bus.

Charles Caldwell
Arcadia

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GRITS & PIECES

Of thunder jugs, creeters, and being bumfuzzled

A number of years back there was a notion floating around that declared that everything that everybody had ever said aloud was "out there" floating around someplace, and if somehow captured, we could hear the voices of our ancestors. You'd have thought that would make some folks speak accordingly, and clean up their acts, but not so, sadly.

If all that were somehow true, I'm sure it would be as entertaining as it would be interesting, depending on whose voice you captured. My question is, unless somebody is still around today who knew that person, how would they be able to identify it? What if it was just an impersonator doing John Wayne or Truman Capote? How would you know?

Here's another thing — what might turn up could be confusing to some people, especially if they captured sound bytes from my family. My granny, Sallie Gertrude Garbett Wilson, would be a prime example. She's been gone since 1979, but I'd sure love to hear her voice and how



Grits & Pieces

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she expressed herself one more time.

"That'll be a do!" she used to say when she'd had enough of anything. I heard that many a morning at the breakfast table when someone was pouring cream in her coffee. Then she'd drop tiny saccharin pills in it and give herself a shot of insulin in her leg. Heck of a way to start each day.

If she was referring to being confused, she'd say she was "bumfuzzled." I don't know it for a fact, but maybe she couldn't remember the word "discombobulated." Or maybe it just sounded better to her. She spoke her mind, and everyone was entitled to her interesting opinions.

We've all heard creatures referred to as "critters." Her take on it was

"creeters," or at least that's how she pronounced it. And she wasn't afraid to face off with any sort of creeter, if there was a need, from a gar fish on her fishing line to a raccoon in her chicken pen. One night we were watching a nature show about piranha, something she'd never heard of. She watched intently as those ravenous fish devoured whole animals in minutes, and then I asked, "Granny, how'd you like to go swimmin' there?" She snapped back, "No — there might be some of them eatin' creeters there!"

We lived about five miles from town and didn't go often, but when someone said something about heading up there and Granny wanted to go, she'd say, "Let me put a frock on!" And she'd emerge from her bedroom with one on and a few dollars in the purse hanging on her arm, ready for the big event.

If someone asked anything too personal, she'd hit them with, "Tend to your own knittin'!" which meant minding your own business, of course.

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Arcadia Police Department budget out of line

Editor's note: This column is part one of a two-part series regarding the Arcadia Police Department.

Support the Arcadia Police Department — so say the signs in front of many a business in town. Who wouldn't? Being against it is like being against motherhood and apple pie. Is it as simple as being for or against the police as the signs imply? There is a bit more to it than that.

For many years the Arcadia Police Department has been growing while other departments and positions in the city of Arcadia have been eliminated. The original APD proposed budget for 2013-14 was \$1.67 million, a \$300,000 (20 percent) increase over the past 10 years. And this has occurred even though tax revenues have fallen dramatically over the same period caused by Hurricane Charley, the Great Recession of 2008 and numerous contracts in which the city got the short end of the stick.

Tax monies from property taxes have been equal to or less than APD's anticipated budgets, meaning we have taken the monies that would have been earmarked for other services and reserves and used it instead to support the APD. Some examples of this can be seen



Arcadia City Councilman

Joe Fink

by looking at the city's revenue versus the APD's budget. For instance, last year property taxes generated about \$1.43 million, while ADP cost more than \$1.44 million. In 2011-12, taxes generated \$1.42 million in revenue, while the APD's cost was \$1.48 million. During the 2012-13 budget hearings we were told by the prior administrator and finance director that the city faced dire consequences if it did nothing to curtail the deficit spending caused by the APD. Former marshal Charles Lee changed nothing in his budget and it was adopted as presented by council.

Council was informed in the spring that the state of Florida Legislative Audit Committee was going to be investigating why we were deficit spending. This budget season an entirely new administrator and finance officer told us the same as the previous: do something quickly to stop the deficit

spending. Marshal Matt Anderson then proposed a \$1.67 million budget with new bells and whistles included.

During an August 3 budget workshop, we as a council (4-1 consensus) asked for, but never received, an estimate of what it would cost if the DeSoto County Sheriff's Office took over police services for the city.

On August 13 and 20, some council members seemed to have forgotten that consensus for information and the concerns of the state. The majority seemed satisfied the Marshal had only lowered his budget by about \$170,000, nothing near a sustainable amount or to repay what had been taken from reserves. It's all about "the safety of the city," we were told, yet the four clerical staff, the investigative unit and the marshal's compensation remained the same. I was told by another council member, "It's obvious that the people want a police department!" I'm not sure how that was deduced by a hand-picked house of 100 people, many not even residents of the city of 7,600.

So what can be done? No one wants anyone to lose their job, or to close a department with 22 employees. Yet if we do nothing to fix the problem, we risk the employment of nearly 90 people — all the employees of the city

including the APD.

If it's truly all about "the safety of the city" and not just another "money pit," after much consideration I believe if we are to survive as a city, we can only afford a totally streamlined APD. This would mean five to seven line officers, no clerical staff, transferring investigations to the DCSO, and moving code enforcement under the control of the city administrator so the city council is directly responsible for the appearance of the city. In addition, officers who live in the city should take their squad cars home, but all others should leave them at the station (one officer lives in Lake Placid, another in Sarasota); follow the city's personnel manual (drug tests after any accident); and reduce its budget to \$700,000-\$850,000. No frills, bells or whistles. The APD should adhere to the same type of austerity budgeting the rest of the city has had to deal with for the last 10 to 15 years. The extra revenue can then be used to start to repay those reserves that were used, pave some badly abused roads, build some sidewalks, repair more fire hydrants, lower taxes, etc.

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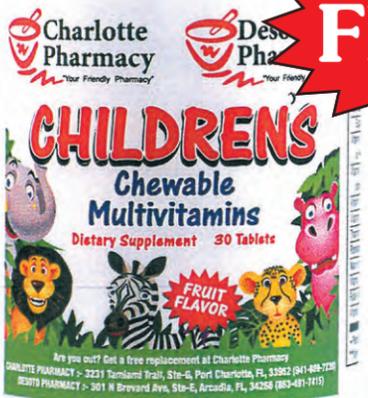
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- The Friends of the NRA will hold a benefit banquet on Sept. 5 at the Turner Agri-Civic Center at 6 p.m. Tickets include a steak dinner and there will be raffles and many opportunities to win prizes. For ticket information call the Turner Center at 993-4807 or email jsullivan@turnercenter.com.
- The DeSoto Arts and Humanities Council Board of directors meets on the first Thursday of the month at 5:30 p.m., at The Arcadian, 108 S. Polk.
- The DeSoto County Special Olympics committee meets at 6 p.m. on the first Thursday every month at Beef O'Brady's. The meeting is open to anyone who is interested in coaching or working with adults or youth in sports. For more information, call Joyce at 873-8219 or 494-3440.
- Chamber of Commerce Early Bird Breakfast is at 8 a.m. the first Thursday monthly. Each month's location will be announced.
- Drop-in Yoga Class every Thursday, 5 p.m.-5:15 p.m., registration and yoga tea; 5:15-6:15 p.m., yoga class. Come enjoy an hour of serenity focused on breathing, gentle yoga poses, peaceful stretching and quiet relaxation. Held in the Health Dept., conference room, 34 S. Baldwin Ave. Drop-in \$7/class, 8-class package \$40 (\$5 per class). Bring your own mat. For more information, call Christine at 244-1925.
- DeSoto County Library story time is at 3 p.m. at 125 N. Hillsborough Ave., Arcadia. Call 993-4851 for more information.
- Cocaine Anonymous meetings are held every Thursday from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church. The first meeting is scheduled for Feb. 3. For information, call Charles Godwin at 941-357-3945, Mildred Daniels at 993-0373, or Curtis Clark at 263-2935.
- Faith Mission provides free lunches for anyone in need,

- 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. 1109 S.E. 9th St., Arcadia. Donations gratefully accepted.
- Alcoholics Anonymous Second Tradition meets at 7 p.m. at St. Edmund's Episcopal Church, 327 W. Hickory St.
- Arcadia Quilt Club meets from 9-11:30 a.m. at the Palace Dance Hall, 1627 N.E. Floridian Circle, Arcadia.
- Weight Watchers meets every Thursday at 6 p.m. at Calvary Baptist Church, 1509 E. Oak St. For details visit www.weightwatchers.com and "find a meeting" or call 800-651-6000.

FRIDAY

- The Assembly of Praise Ministries, 145 S. Orange Ave., Arcadia, will host their 20th Year Church Celebration starting at 7 p.m. Sept. 6, and ending at 4 p.m. Sept. 8. Everyone is invited to join the celebration of this momentous event. Pastors Johnnie Rhyne and Mitchell Watson Sr.; Visionary Founder and Senior Bishop Dr. L.L. Dixon.
- Faith Mission provides free lunches for anyone in need, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. 1109 S.E. 9th St., Arcadia. Donations gratefully accepted.

SATURDAY

- Desirae's Barbecue Benefit is being held Sept. 7 to help raise money for Desirae to record her first CD. Starting at 10 a.m. at First Baptist Church of Nocatee, 4610 S.W. U.S. Highway 17. BBQ dinners are \$8 each, plus raffle tickets at \$2 each. Live entertainment, horse rides, bake sale, silent auction. Special guests include God's Company, Kira Kennedy, Logan Cochram, Caitlin Payne, Cristal Williams, Andrew Martinet.
- Boaters Get-Together meets at 1 p.m. on the first Saturday of every month at Nav-A-Gator Grill, 9700 S.W. Riverview Circle (off Kings Hwy/C.R. 769). For more information, call 941-627-3474.
- DeSoto County Library story time is at 10:30 a.m. at 125 N. Hillsborough Ave., Arcadia. The first Saturday of every month is Book Buddies, when children read to dogs. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Call 993-4851 for more information.

SUNDAY

- Telephone Reassurance and Friendly Visitors available to those over 55 and homebound. Phone Senior Friendship Centers at 863-494-5965 to sign up for these free services, staffed by trained volunteers who have had background screenings. Phone also if interested in becoming a

volunteer for either program.

- Alcoholics Anonymous Serenity Group meets at Grace Lutheran Church, W. Oak St. (State Road 70) at 8 p.m. Sunday.

MONDAY

- The Desoto County Library Association will meet at 5 p.m. on Sept. 9 at the Desoto County Public Library, 125 N. Hillsborough Ave. Public is welcome.
- DeSoto County Veterans Honor Guard practices at 6 p.m. second Mondays monthly at the American Legion Post, 2124 N.W. American Legion Drive. For more information, call Roger Bumgarner at 993-0129.
- The GFWC Arcadia Woman's Club meets on the second Monday of every month Sept. through May at the clubhouse in DeSoto Park, 2288 N.W. American Legion Way, with a pot luck lunch at 11:30 a.m. followed by a meeting. Members are encouraged to bring guests. For more information call 494-2966.
- The Amvets Ladies Auxiliary meets at 7 p.m. on the second Monday each month..
- The AA Second Tradition Business Meeting is held every second Monday at 7:15 p.m. at St. Edmund's Episcopal Church, 327 W. Hickory St.
- Arcadia/DeSoto County Beautification Committee meets at 5:30 p.m. today at the DeSoto County extension office, 2150 N.E. Roan St., Arcadia.
- The American Merchant Marines Veterans, Robert J. MacAlvanah Chapter (Suncoast Chapter), meets at noon every second Monday at The Family Table Restaurant, 14132 S. Tamiami Trail, North Port. All Merchant Mariners and their spouses are welcome. For information, call 941-625-3234.
- AA "Brown Bagger" meetings are offered every Monday at noon at Trinity United Methodist Church, 304 W. Oak St.
- Women of Worship "WOW" Women's ministry meets at 6:15 p.m. Monday at Freedom Fellowship Christian Ministries, 1528 N.E. Turner Ave. All are welcome.
- A women-only G.I.R.L.S. AA meeting is held at St. Edmund's Episcopal Church at 6 p.m. on Monday at 327 W. Hickory St.
- Alcoholics Anonymous Second Tradition meets at St. Edmunds Episcopal Church at 8 p.m. Monday at 327 W. Hickory St.
- Al-anon, offering help for families of alcoholics, meets at 7:30 p.m. on Mondays at Fort Ogden Methodist Church, 6923 S.W. River St. in Fort Ogden. Alcoholics Anonymous meets at the same time. For information call 941-426-7655 or visit www.district13soflal-anon.org.
- The DeSoto County Homeless Coalition Community Resource Center is open 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Friday at 1425 Martin Luther King St. The center provides referrals for mainstream resources, elderly food stamps (by appointment) and computer service. Salvation Army has office space on Wed. by appointment. For more information, call 491-5683.
- A faith-based addiction recovery ministry meets at 7:30 p.m. every Monday at the Nocatee Baptist Church (red brick church) on U.S. Highway 17 in Nocatee.

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TUESDAY

- DeSoto County Commission Board meets at 9 a.m. at the County Administration building, Room 103, 201 E. Oak St., Arcadia.
- DeSoto County School Board meets at 5:30 p.m. at the School Board meeting room of the DeSoto County School District, 530 La Solona Ave., Arcadia.
- Freedom Fellowship Christian Ministries Support Group meets at 7 p.m. Tuesday at 1528 N.E. Turner Ave.
- The DeSoto Amateur Radio Club meets at 8 p.m. Tuesday (except the third Tuesday) of the month, on the 147.075, W4MIN repeater with a pl of 100. All amateurs are invited to participate.

JEWISH HOLY DAYS

• Temple Beth El, North Port Jewish Center, 3840 S. Biscayne Drive, has listed information for the upcoming Jewish holidays: First and second day services for Rosh Hashanah begins at 9:30 a.m. Sept. 5 and Sept. 6. Sabbath Service begins at 8 p.m. Sept. 6 with Oneg Shabbat to follow. Sabbath service begins at 9:30 a.m. Sept. 7 with Kiddush to follow. Kol Nidre service begins at 6:45 p.m. Sept. 13. Yom Kippur service begins at 9:30 a.m. Sept. 14 and Yizkor will be recited; break the fast after Shofar Blowing. Sukkot second day service will be held at 9:30 a.m. Sept. 19. Sabbath service begins at 8 p.m. Sept. 20, with Oneg Shabbat to follow. Sabbath service begins at 9:30 a.m. Sept. 21 with Kiddush to follow. Shmini Atzeret service begins at 9:30 a.m. Sept. 26; Yizkor will be recited. Sabbath service begins at 8 p.m. Sept. 27 with Oneg Shabbat. Sabbath service begins at 9:30 a.m. Sept. 28 with Kiddush to follow. For more information, call 942-423-0300 or visit www.templebethel-np.org.

SPECIAL

• Judy Jones and The Bread of Life Mission always visits Arcadia on Thanksgiving to serve free Thanksgiving dinners to anyone in need. To prepare for this annual event, the Mission is seeking donations of turkeys, hams, side dishes (bread, potatoes, etc.) and serving necessities such as disposable plates, napkins, flatware etc. Cash donations are also gratefully accepted. If you can help out the mission, call 941-575-4440.

• Volunteers are needed to help children in the community! If you enjoy working with kids, can commit to a volunteer schedule (1-2 hrs/wk between 2:30-4:30 p.m.), can work with different school subjects and can be a positive role model for children, then call Laura Rodriguez at 494-1068 or email laurarodriguez@embarqmail.com. You must pass a background check and must complete a volunteer orientation.

- Faith Mission provides free lunches for anyone in need, at 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. 1109 S.E. 9th St., Arcadia. Donations gratefully accepted.
- DeSoto County Library holds story time at 3 p.m. Tuesdays at 125 N. Hillsborough Ave., Arcadia. Call 993-4851 for more information.
- The Peace River Woodcarvers meet from 9 a.m. to noon every Tuesday at the Speer Center, U.S. Highway 17 North, Arcadia. For information, contact Bill Morse at 207-418-4687 or mamorse1953@gmail.com.
- Alcoholics Anonymous Second Tradition meets at 8 p.m. at St. Edmund's Episcopal Church, 327 W. Hickory St.
- Suncoast Community Blood Bank is open from noon to 6 p.m. today at 710 N. Brevard Ave. (U.S. 17 North), Arcadia. For more information, call 993-9366.

WEDNESDAY

- The Patriot Day service will be held Sept. 11 at Veteran's Memorial Park beginning at 9:30 a.m.
- The September Ministerial Association meeting will be held at the SunTrust Building, 2nd floor conference room, beginning at 10:15 a.m. (this is different than usual, because of the Patriot Day service) on Sept. 11.
- Nature Talk: Fish Tales with Devin Lawrence, 10 a.m. on Sept. 11 at DeSoto County Library. Free.
- Free Food Distribution the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at the Arcadia Seventh Day Adventist Church, 2865 S.E. Ami Drive (off State Road 31 near Walmart), from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. By the All Faiths Food bank. Call 494-3262 for more information.
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The DeSoto County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests:

- Francisco Javier Hernandez, 33, 1200 block of S.E. Carnahan Ave., Arcadia. Charge: dealing in stolen property. Bond: \$2,500.
- David Allen Hodges, 21, first block of Park Place, Arcadia. Charges: possession or use of drug equipment and distribution of hallucinogenic drugs without 1,000 ft. of church or other restricted site. Bond: \$20,120.
- Nathaniel Sebastian Lee, 31, 1000 block of S.W. Prince Terrace, Arcadia. Charge: aggravated felony battery against pregnant victim. Bond: \$15,000.
- Robert Alan Ransom, 22, 2400 block of S.E. Reynolds St., Arcadia. Charge: battery. Bond: none.
- David Rivera, 44, Zolfo Springs. Charges: possession of less than 20 grams of marijuana and failure to support spouse or child. Bond: \$1,620.
- Teenamarie Adara Salatino, 23, Port Charlotte. Charge: violation of probation. Bond: none.
- Jonathan Lee Tyson, 24, 5200 block

POLICE BEAT

The information for Police Beat is gathered from police, sheriff's office, Florida Highway Patrol, jail and fire records. Not every arrest leads to a conviction and guilt or innocence is determined by the court system.

- of Dill Road, Arcadia. Charges: armed burglary of a dwelling or conveyance, grand theft of firearm, dealing in stolen property and violation of probation. Bond: none.
- Aaneshia Jeremse White, 22, 300 block of S. Manatee Ave., Arcadia. Charge: violation of probation. Bond: \$2,108.22.
- Kyle Wayne Albin, 25, Lakeland. Charge: possession of less than 20 grams of marijuana. Bond: \$120.
- Rainer Sage Incitti, 19, 100 block of N. Monroe Ave., Arcadia. Charge: disorderly public intoxication. Bond: \$120.
- Dana Nicole Martinez, 31, 1200 block of S.W. Mildred St., Arcadia. Charge: battery. Bond: \$1,500.
- Jesus Olguin Martinez, 38, 6200

- block of N.E. Thomas Drive, Arcadia. Charge: driving without a valid license. Bond: \$120.
 - Findencio Cabrera Ortiz, 26, first block of Park Place, Arcadia. Charge: aggravated battery against pregnant victim. Bond: \$5,000.
 - Pedro Camacho Segura, 40, 2200 block of S.E. Airport Road, Arcadia. Charge: out-of-county warrant. Bond: \$250.
 - Brittanie Ann Tomlinson, 25, 9400 block of County Road 763, Arcadia. Charge: shoplifting, second offense. Bond: \$120.
 - Floriberto Arreguin Vargas, 24, 2500 block of S.E. Shady Circle, Arcadia. Charge: battery. Bond: \$120.
 - Raymond Lee Snider, 44, 1300 block of S.W. Addison Ave., Arcadia. Charge: failure to support spouse or child. Purge: \$1,120.
- The Charlotte County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests:**
- Angel Marie Kirsch, 45, 1400 block of S.E. Peach Drive, Arcadia. Charges:

- possession of a controlled substance and drug paraphernalia. Bond: \$3,500.
 - Brandy Michelle Stone, 30, 10500 block of Park Ave., Fort Ogden. Charges: habitually driving while license is revoked, failure to maintain financial responsibility for property damage, failure to register vehicle and attached plate not assigned to vehicle. Bond: \$4,000.
 - Austin Lee Durrie, 25, 1500 block of S. Maple Ave., Arcadia. Charge: petty theft, second offense. Bond: \$500.
- The Sarasota County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests:**
- Matthew Dilon Giddens, 21, 5600 block of N.W. Pine Bridge Road, Arcadia. Charge: possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine) without a prescription. Bond: \$1,500.
 - Stephen Anthony Carter, 32, 5600 block of N.E. River Ridge Ave., Arcadia. Charges: driving while license is expired more than 4 months and giving false ID to law officer. Bond: \$620.
- Compiled by Susan E. Hoffman

ROADWATCH

U.S. Highway 17 from south of S.W. Collins Street in Fort Ogden to County Road 760A south of Nocatee— Work is under way to expand US 17 to four lanes. Work includes clearing land for two new travel lanes to the east of the existing US 17 travel lanes, starting drainage activities and relocating overhead power transmission and distribution lines. No lane closures will be required for this work. Motorists are advised to be aware of work vehicles entering and exiting the roadway. Motorists are reminded to observe the

posted speed limit and to drive with caution. Project completion is expected at the end of 2015. The contractor is Ajax Paving Inc.

U.S. Highway 17 from County Road 760A to north of Flanders Street in Nocatee — Crews are trimming/removing trees ahead of FPL, who will be installing new power poles and removing existing power poles and lines. Intermittent daytime lane closures may occur while crews are working. Motorists are advised to use caution while in the area and expect possible delays.

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Family Album



Happy birthday



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Look who's turning 4 on Sept. 2! Kasson Josiah Johnson! Love always,

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FAMILY ALBUM PHOTOS

Send us a photo to celebrate a birth, birthday, engagement, wedding, anniversary, etc. *The Arcadian* will run it free. We must have it no later than noon on Monday. Bring your photo to the office or e-mail to Arcadian.editor@gmail.com

Congratulations



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True Miracle Church of the Living God Inc. offers congratulations to Pastor Dolly M. Cook on your second year of Pastoral appreciation. "A woman led not by might, nor by power, but by his spirit." Zech. 4:6

Happy anniversary

Happy 10th anniversary on Sept. 3 to Jacques and Nancy Voyer. Love, Mom.

Free nature talks and walks are planned

By **SUSAN E. HOFFMAN**
ARCADIAN EDITOR

Area residents will have a great opportunity to learn about DeSoto County's natural environment over the next several months, through a combination of free nature talks and free hikes in some of the county's most beautiful locations.

Through the combined efforts of the DeSoto County Library, DeSoto County Public Schools, DeSoto County Parks & Recreation and the County Extension Office, local experts will share their knowledge and insight in a series of public events.

The Nature Talks all take place at 10 a.m. at the DeSoto County Library, and begin with a presentation on Sept. 11 by Devin Lawrence who shares fish tales about some fishy tails. The series continues with naturalist Gil MacAdam on Oct. 9, who will show you how to design a garden specifically to attract butterflies and birds. On Nov. 13, John Reynolds shares a combination of his two interests — nature and history — by showing how some of the area's early settlers used the native plants they found here. Jean Evoy, an expert in moths, will show some of her photos and tell you about some of the moths you may see in your yard.

The talks continue on Jan. 8, Feb. 12, March 12, April 9 and May 14 — check *The Arcadian's* event calendar for the schedule and topic.

To accompany the talks, a series of nature walks is planned, beginning with a visit Sept. 17 to Morgan Park. This is DeSoto County's only nature park and is an easy, pleasant hike. Another walk is planned for Sept. 27 at Brownville Park



PHOTOS COURTESY OF JERRY WATERS

A Sphinx Moth clings to a blue flower. Learn about the wildflowers, butterflies and moths and other natural features in a series of talks and walks planned for the coming year.



A bee feeds at a flower in this close-up photo by Master Naturalist Jerry Waters.

in the north part of the county. All walks meet at the site at 8:30 a.m.

Walks continue on Oct. 1 at Morgan Park, Oct. 30 at the Environmental Learning Lab, Nov. 14 at Deep Creek Preserve, Nov. 19 at Brownville Park, Dec. 10 at Morgan Park and Dec. 31 at the Babcock-Webb Footprints Trail. Walks continue in the new year; check *The Arcadian* for dates and locations.

Make plans to learn more about the natural world around you in DeSoto County. For more information, call the Extension Office at 863-494-4846.

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OBITUARIES

Robert Mitchell

Robert H. Mitchell, 92, of Arcadia, Fla., passed away Wednesday, Aug. 28, 2013. He served our country in the Army Air Corps and later retired from United Airlines as an airline pilot.

Robert is survived by his son, Dr. Robert H. Mitchell Jr. of Culver, Indiana. He was preceded in death by his parents and his wife.

No services are scheduled at this time. Online condolences can be made at www.pongerkaysgrady.com. Arrangements are by Ponger-Kays-Grady Funeral Home, Arcadia.

Joe Bohannon

Joe Bohannon, 59, of Arcadia, Fla., passed away Saturday, Aug. 31, 2013.

He was born Dec. 4, 1953, in Jasper, Fla., moving to Arcadia 35 years ago from Jasper.

Joe was self-employed as a road construction specialist. He enjoyed fishing, hunting, and just about anything outdoors. Joe loved to cook mullet and entertain his family. He was a Tampa Bay Bucks fan. Joe was the happiest when he was on the job, so much so, that he named his boat "On the Job." He was a member of the Moose Lodge in Arcadia. He was of the Baptist faith.

He is survived by his beloved wife of 42 years, Betty Sue Bohannon, of Arcadia; son, Joe Bohannon, Jr., of Sciotoville, Ohio; daughter, Betty Jo Bohannon, of Arcadia; sister, Alice Dedge, of Arcadia; and four grandchildren, Dustin Hall, Elizabeth Bohannon, Chamber Bohannon, and Cassidy Hall. Joe is preceded in death by his parents, Ben Bohannon, and Martha Maude Brantley Bohannon; a brother, Ben Lewis Bohannon, and a grandson, Larry Joseph Hall.

Visitation followed by funeral services took place Tuesday, Sept. 3, 2013, at the chapel of Ponger-Kays-Grady Funeral Home, Arcadia with the Rev. Ken Galloway officiating. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Cancer Society, Mid-South Division, Inc. Attn: Shirley Watters, 1100 Ireland Way, Suite 300, Birmingham, AL 35205. Online condolences may be made at pongerkaysgrady.com.

Arrangements are by Ponger-Kays-Grady Funeral Home and Cremation Services of Arcadia.

Sandy A. Kurtz-Reed

Sandra A. "Sandy" Kurtz-Reed, 64, of Arcadia, Fla., passed away Aug. 30, 2013, with her family by her side.

She was born May 10, 1949, in Kalamazoo, Mich., and moved to Arcadia in 2007.

Sandy worked in the automotive industry for over 28 years. She loved life and fought her illness with courage. Sandy was committed to her family and treasured every moment shared with them. She enjoyed dancing, having a good time, laughing and smiling. Sandy was a loving mother, grandmother and sister and will be deeply missed.

She is survived by her son, Chad L. (Penny) Kurtz, of Arcadia; daughter, Tina M. Bauder, of Bessemer, Pa.; sister, Delores Munnely, of Palmetto, Fla.; and her grandchildren. Sandy was preceded in death by her parents, Louis and Delores (nee Trayers) Kurtz; sister, Linda (nee Kurtz) Farrow; brother, William Kurtz; and nephews, William Farrow and Ryan Baclich.

Online condolences can be made at www.pongerkaysgrady.com.

The family wishes to thank Tidewell Hospice for its kindness and compassion.

Arrangements are by Ponger-Kays-Grady Funeral Home of Arcadia.

Joe F. Colding

Joe F. Colding, 66, passed away Sunday, Sept. 1, 2013, with his loving family by his side.

He was born Jan. 12, 1947, in Lithia, Fla., where he lived until moving to Arcadia, Fla., 32 years ago.

Joe was of the Baptist faith and a member of Oak Hill Baptist Church in Arcadia. He was a very loving and caring family man, and he valued spending time with all of them. Joe was a cattle rancher, running the day to day operations. He also enjoyed hunting and fishing when he could.

Joe is survived by his loving wife of 23 years, Julie Packard Colding of Arcadia; son, Jeremy A. Colding, currently enlisted in the U.S. Navy; daughter, Katie Colding currently attending the University of South Florida; two brothers, Alva (Lou) Colding of Lithia, and Robert (Vonna) Colding of West Virginia; three sisters, Sarah (Paul) Dixon of Bartow, Fla., Diane (Tim) McCormick of Valrico, Fla., and Pam Colding of Sebring, Fla.; and numerous nieces and nephews. Joe was preceded in death by his parents, H.C. and Naomi O. Corbett Colding; brother, Ernest Colding; and sister, Carol Peeples.

A visitation will be held from 1:30 p.m. until 2 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 5, 2013, at Oak Hill Baptist Church, 5104 NW Oak Hill Ave., Arcadia. Funeral services will follow the visitation at 2 p.m. at the church with the Rev. Paul Dixon officiating. Burial will then be at Oak Hill Cemetery. Online condolences can be made at pongerkaysgrady.com.

Arrangements are by Ponger-Kays-Grady Funeral Homes.

Richard James Pawloski

Richard James Pawloski, 87, of Arcadia, Fla., passed away Tuesday, Sept. 3, 2013, in Port Charlotte, Fla. Arrangements are by Charlotte Memorial Funeral Home, Crematory and Cemetery.

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Don't miss your mission

What if you were the mother of 12 children and when the youngest started preschool you wondered what to do with the rest of your life?

In the 1980s Mary Jo Copeland, a Minneapolis mother, found herself in that position. According to Margaret Nelson and Kerry Pickett, coauthors of "Saving Body and Soul: The Mission of Mary Jo Copeland," she told her children they'd have to help more around the house because she was going out to share the love in her family with those who didn't have that kind of love. Little did Mary Jo, her husband, Dick, and their 12 children know how far that decision to share their love with those in need would take them.

On a frigid Minnesota winter day, a man saw Mary Jo distributing hot coffee to homeless people and donated \$2,000 to help enlarge her work; he also became her first volunteer. At that



Roger Campbell

time, Mary Jo and Dick were working out of a rented run-down storefront building but better days were ahead. Today Mary Jo's Sharing and Caring Hands houses every night more than 500 people — many of whom are young children — and distributes over 375,000 pounds of food donations each year to folks in real need because of lost jobs, family problems, addictions and other life destroyers, without any government funds. On Feb. 15, Mary Jo was awarded the Presidential Citizens Medal at a White House Ceremony — a big deal,

she admits. Yet this humble heroine keeps it simple, echoing Esther of the Bible: "For such a time as this, we were put on this earth to listen to the voice of God and to do His holy will."

The current persistent recession has drawn the world's attention again to the name of an organization that can always be counted on to lovingly provide both physical and spiritual needs: The Salvation Army. This helpful ministry was born in the heart of one man: William Booth. The poor and suffering people of London became such a concern to him that meeting them in all their areas of need became his mission.

When near the end of his life, William Booth was asked for the secret of his success.

He replied that when he had become burdened about the poor of London, he had surrendered his life entirely to God, seeking His help in helping them. This kind of commitment established a

divine partnership that enabled Booth to accomplish things that most would have thought impossible.

Twenty years ago, my friend, Pastor John Gunn, found himself unable to ignore the needs of thousands of children in his Pontiac, Mich. community. This call to a special mission moved John to leave his church and start "The Power Company Kids Club," an organization that ministers to thousands of children weekly, bringing them to faith, changing their lives and pointing them to churches near their homes. You're better qualified to meet the needs of some in your community, maybe even the world, than anyone else, so desert the sidelines and get involved. Trust God to enable you to do what needs to be done.

Don't miss your mission.

— Roger Campbell is an author, broadcaster and columnist who was a pastor for 22 years. He can be reached at rcministry@ameritech.net.

How about some brunch?

Webster describes brunch as a late first-meal of the day that takes the place of both breakfast and lunch.

That's a proper explanation, but, growing up in our large family, the three-meal-a-day schedule was always adhered to, no exceptions.

So, when a tempting brunch dish comes along, what do you do? Either defy tradition, or present a brunch "meal" at lunchtime.



From a Senior Viewpoint

Lois Hendricks

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Whichever route you take, this Ham and Rye brunch dish is worth the effort.

Start with four slices of rye bread, cut into bite-size chunks. You'll also need 1½ cups diced low-fat ham, and 1 cup of shredded Swiss cheese. And it's easy to put together.

Lightly spray the bottom of your square or oblong casserole dish. Layer half the bread, ham and cheese in dish. Then, repeat layering with the rest of the bread, ham and cheese.

Meanwhile, in a bowl, stir together 1 cup low-fat milk with 1 cup egg

substitute and ¼ teaspoon of black pepper, then pour slowly over the bread/ham/cheese mixture.

Bake in 350-degree oven, uncovered, about 50 minutes, or until slightly brown.

Let stand 10 minutes before serving.

And, if you think it needs a bit more flavoring, add, before baking, ½ cup crushed pineapple, as a "frosting."

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GRITS & PIECES

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And if she was preparing leftovers and I asked what was for supper, she'd say, "Them two pieces." Well, she could take them two pieces and turn them into a fine a meal as I've ever had anywhere.

If I asked you if you knew what a chamber pot was, you might know it was something you kept in the bedroom at night if you had an outhouse out back, before indoor plumbing. Often they were metal, coated with porcelain, and came with a lid. Some referred to it as "the slop jar," but my granny took it a step further and called hers "the thunder jug." There was indoor plumbing in her house by the time I came along, but I do recall seeing her thunder jug on the floor, beneath her bed. Never hurts to have a back-up plan, for sure.

She was a simple country woman who bore seven children over two decades, between 1926 and 1946, and buried two of them, as well as her husband. She had but an eighth grade education, but worked at a number of jobs, and spoiled about 20 head of grandchildren as best she could.

If I had to name one of her phrases or words that stuck with me most, that'd be easy. I never remember her wearing a watch, but sometimes when I'd ask her what time it was she'd say, "Time for old dogs to die — be glad you're still a puppy." My grandkids look at me funny when I use her answer on them.

If the scientists ever do zero in on her voice and hear how she expressed herself, I know they'll be scratching their heads over it and will be wondering where and when folks like that ever lived. And this puppy, who is an old dog now, would truly love to hear that voice one more time.

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Magnolia Street Seafood — all about fresh

By HAYLEY MERCER

ARCADIAN CORRESPONDENT

Carl Tindall was around 16 years old when he discovered his interest in cooking. Little did he know at the time, his journey would take him from Virginia Beach to Key West with Downtown Arcadia as his ultimate home.

“I wanted to be a chef way before it was the cool thing to do,” Tindall said. Seated with his wife Cathryn and children Devon and Dylan, Carl is content. Tindall has whipped up a masterpiece with Magnolia Street Seafood, located in the old DeSoto Restaurant location.

“Fresh is better. We are very proud to offer 100 percent fresh local produce and meats and high quality seafood,” Tindall said. “I am not claiming to be the best, but when substituting convenience over quality, it is not going to be as good.”

Magnolia Street Seafood is a family-friendly establishment with a nice variety of meals to choose from on their menu. “Not just seafood. We have pasta, sandwich selections, chicken, beef, desserts.” Grouper, flounder, tuna and salmon are among the Catch of the Day selections to go along with an order of hush puppies, a crowd favorite.

Tindall racked up experience over the years at various eateries



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The owners of Magnolia Street Seafood are Carl and Cathryn Tindall and their children, Devon and Dylan.

but it was in Key West, where he also worked as a commercial fisherman, that he honed his culinary skills. Carl spent 10 years cooking and menu planning at a seafood restaurant there.

“My parents retired to Arcadia,” he said, explaining how he ended up in DeSoto County. He worked at Slim’s for a while and was enjoying the position there but in the back of his mind, he knew he wanted more.

When he got a call suggesting he take a look at the Magnolia Street location, Tindall knew

that with a little love from the right person, the landmark building would become the first place where he is thriving as owner and chef. “I was not challenged making money for other people and wanted to bring fine dining to a town that needs it.”

With some help from his wife, Seafood Street Magnolia has transformed into a delightful eating spot in the downtown district. They have focused on the ocean theme, using locally produced art by sculptor Bruce Trewyn and others.



You can order your meal to-go, such as this Cordon Bleu sandwich — ham, bacon and Swiss cheese on a fresh roll.

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Primate sanctuary welcomes donations of big fans

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WAUCHULA — The Center for Great Apes animal sanctuary announced the receipt of one of its largest donations in history, given by the Big Ass Fan Company. Valued at over \$16,000, the donation of 11 overhead and vertical Big Ass Fans will replace malfunctioning and broken fans throughout the complex, helping address the center's struggle to keep its residents cool in the Florida heat.

"We are so grateful to Big Ass Fans for their incredible donation to help keep our orangutan and chimpanzee

residents cool and comfortable during our hot Florida summers," said Patti Ragan, founding director of the Center for Great Apes.

The sanctuary is home to 45 orangutans and chimpanzees who have been rescued or retired from the entertainment industry, research laboratories or the exotic pet trade. Famous residents include Michael Jackson's former pet chimpanzee, Bubbles, and Tango, an orangutan made famous in Tang and Budweiser commercials and "Jay and Silent Bob Strike Back." Native to tropical rainforests, orangutans and chimpanzees are accustomed to shady environments; the donated fans are

critical to their safety and health as they cope with the Florida heat and humidity.

"The orangutans and chimpanzees are always sitting directly in front of the fans," said Ragan. "The quality of Big Ass Fans is unbelievable."

The Big Ass Fan Company engineers the world's most efficient fans for residential, commercial and industrial settings and has a long history of charitable giving in the local, national and international community.

"We are proud that a portion of our proceeds can support worthy causes, from our local Firefighters' Toy Drive to our fan donations to third-world hospitals," said Chief Big Ass Carey Smith,

founder of Big Ass Fans. "The Center for Great Apes is a unique organization, and we're glad our fans can provide a lasting solution to their heat and humidity problems."

The \$16,000 donation includes Yellow Jacket fans, which are positioned along the center's elevated tunnel and chute system, and Sweat Bee fans, which are installed in the sanctuary's night houses.

Additionally, Haiku ceiling fans keep staff and volunteers comfortable in the sanctuary's classroom, where they undergo training and organize donations, and the feed room, where they prepare the apes' meals. Haiku is the most efficient ceiling fan in the world,

is hand-balanced to ensure it will never rattle or wobble, features seven speeds and operates silently.

The Center for Great Apes is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization with a mission to provide a permanent sanctuary for orangutans and chimpanzees who have been rescued or retired from the entertainment industry, from research or who are no longer wanted as pets. Founded in 1993, the center provides care in a safe, healthy and enriching environment for great apes in need of lifetime care. The 120-acre sanctuary, which receives no government funding, is not open to the public and relies on individual donors.

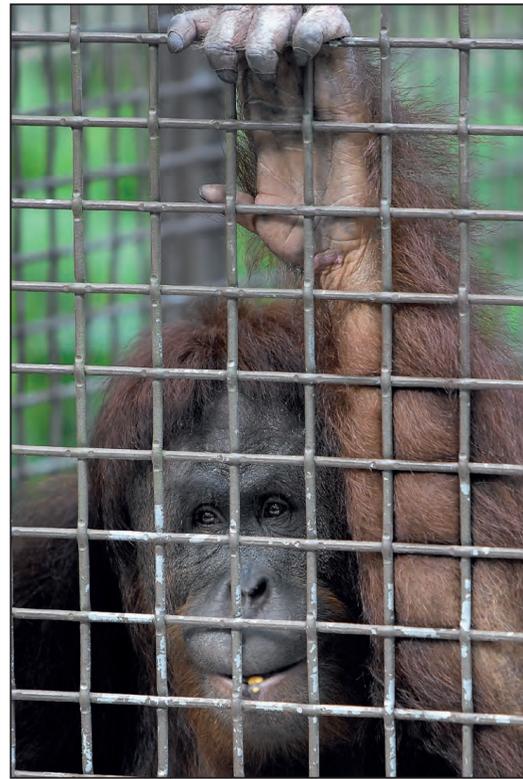


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Jessie, a 25 year old chimpanzee retired from the entertainment industry, cools off in the mist provided by a Yellow Jacket fan, one of 11 fans totaling approximately \$16,000 that was donated by Big Ass Fans to the Center for Great Apes in early August. The sanctuary, located on 120 acres in Wauchula, is closed to the public but offers memberships through donations.



Ripley hangs onto the side of the large enclosure near one of the new fans.



Tango, an Orangutang actor from many films including "Jay and Silent Bob Strike Back" and various commercials as well as being the Orangutang featured on Tang products and advertising, hangs out in her enclosure.



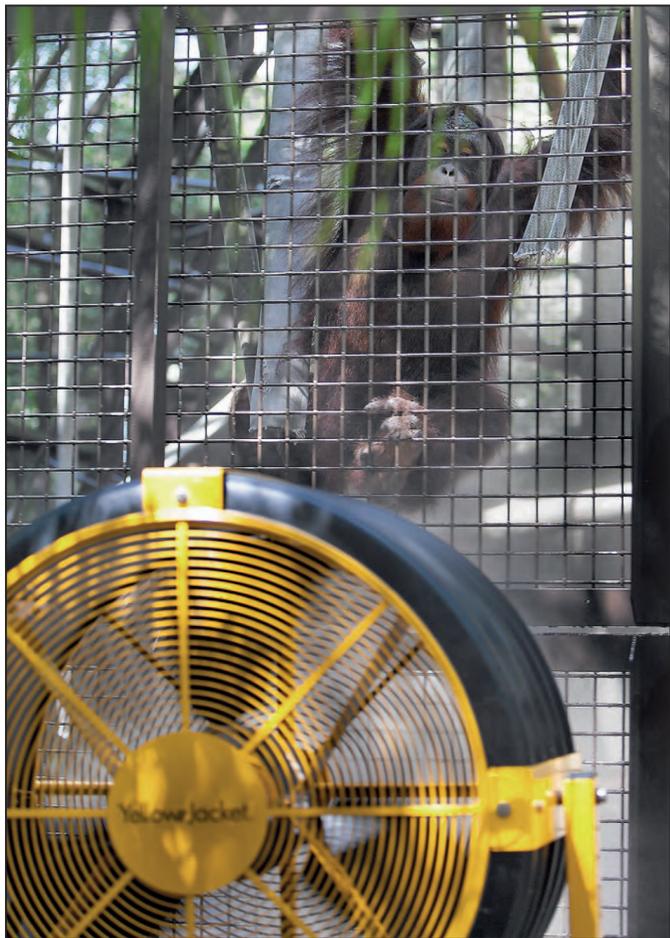
Kiki enjoys seeing visitors because it is different from the normal routine.



Ripley, a former ape actor who graced the big screen with Jim Carrey in "Ace Ventura" and was a guest on "Seinfeld" among other Hollywood endeavors, sits in front of the Yellow Jacket fan made by Big Ass Fans to cool off during an August afternoon.



Boma, a 27 year old Chimpanzee, takes a quiet moment in his large enclosure to inspect the cameras of passing media members.



Jam, an Orangutang at the Center For Great Apes swings in front of his new misting fan, part of a \$16,000 donation by Big Ass Fans.



Jam is really enjoying the new misting fan donated by Big Ass Fans.



A Sweat Bee fan made by Big Ass Fans aims into one of the many large enclosures at the Center for Great Apes located in Wauchula. The fan is one of 11 fans totaling \$16,000 that were donated by Big Ass Fans to the center in August to help keep the apes cool in the Florida heat. The donation also included fans for the classroom and the food room to help keep things cool for guests and volunteers.



Despite a spirited game two rally, the Lady Bulldogs JV volleyball team falls 2-1 to the Charlotte Tarpons.

Late score dooms Bulldogs in 19-18 thriller

Before the DeSoto County Bulldogs took the field in their season opener at Lake Region High School August 30, Bulldogs Head Coach Matt Egloff said, "One of the keys to winning tonight is to cut down on unforced penalties. It seems like we always shoot ourselves in the foot just as we start moving the ball."

There were a lot of gunshots in the first half, especially in the first period. With a total of 15 penalties in the game and half of them in the first period, Egloff paced the sidelines and exclaimed, "What did I say?"

The first quarter was embarrassing. Sure, it was the first game of the season but the kind of penalties being committed were things taught in youth football. On the sidelines, players could be heard muttering words like, "embarrassing," "disgusting" and "we're playing like clowns."

The defense was strong in the first half. Led by an inspired Deionte Turner and Machale Harville, along with Oscar "The Cuban Assassin" Alfonso, Lake Region was unable to score against the defensive unit. The Thunder's only score in the first half came on a 79-yard punt return.



On the Bench with Big Daddy

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That score was answered by quarterback Kari Williams' seven-yard run just two minutes before the end of the first half. Rosario Zavala's extra point kick was pulled wide right and the teams went into halftime knotted 6-6.

Terrell Gordon picked up 44 of his game-high 120 yards off the right side and found pay dirt to put the Bulldogs up 12-6. Zavala, an excellent kicker and punter from last season's team, missed to the left with his second extra



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Senior Dequan Richardson celebrates as he returns to the sidelines after hauling in a 34-yard touchdown pass with 47 seconds left to put the Bulldogs ahead 18-13. Lake Region came back for a 19-18 win.

point attempt.

Midway in the fourth quarter the Thunder consumed more than 10 minutes of the clock, finishing with a two-yard touchdown run by Blade Denmark. Their kick was good, giving them the lead 13-12. Denmark has been approached by several top Division I colleges, but the Bulldogs defense held him in check nearly all game.

Heartbreaking finish

The Bulldogs have always been known for their speed and ability to strike quickly. With just less than a minute left in the game, it appeared as if the Bulldogs were going to pull off a last-minute win. Kari Williams, who had more than 130 yards in the air, found a streaking Dequan Richardson over the middle. Richardson bobbled the ball at the 15 yard line but hung on to it to complete the 34-yard touchdown.

Up by five points at 18-13, the Bulldogs were forced to go for a two-point conversion. Gordon came up short and the Dawgs clung to their five-point lead with 47 seconds left to play.

With the ball on their own 45, the Thunder's quarterback threw his first pass of the game and hooked up with Denmark for 51 yards, giving them a first down on the Bulldogs' 4 yard

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By STEVE KNAPP

ARCADIAN SPORTS DIRECTOR

The volleyball teams split their first two matches of the season last week. Both the JV and varsity beat North Port to start the season at home. The JV won 2-0 and varsity won 3-1. They lost at Charlotte High School August 29, 2-1 for the JV and 3-1 for the varsity.

The JV football team ran into a tough Lake Placid team and were downed 44-12.

The varsity football team lost a heartbreaker to Lake Region 19-18.

Upcoming games

The volleyball team will be home tonight against Sebring starting at 6 p.m. for the JV and 7:30 p.m. for the varsity. They will be in Englewood Tuesday, Sept. 10, to face the Lemon Bay Mantas.

The DeSoto County girls' golf team opens their season tonight against Lake Placid at The Bluffs starting at 4 p.m.

The boys' golf team begins their season Tuesday, Sept. 10. They will host Lake Placid at 4 p.m. at The Bluffs.

The DeSoto County youth football teams will be in Lee County this Saturday.

The JV football team travels to Hardee tonight for a game against the Wildcats.

DeSoto County varsity football hopes to even their season mark at 1-1 as they travel to Lehigh for a 7 p.m. game Friday. The game will be broadcast on WFLN 1480 am, and can be heard online at www.tunein.com/radio/radio-arcadia-s124303/

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DeSoto County football coach Matt Egloff uses the empty bleachers at Lake Region to diagram plays at halftime during their 19-18 loss to the Thunder.

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Bulldogs make statement in loss to Charlotte

By **STEVE KNAPP**

ARCADIAN SPORTS DIRECTOR

DeSoto County head volleyball coach Laura White said, "To be honest with you I was hoping we would put up a good showing out there tonight."

The Bulldogs lost 3-1 at Charlotte but they put up a "good showing" in the losses. After getting doubled up in the first game 25-13, the Bulldogs showed they weren't going to be pushed around by a bigger school.

The Bulldogs, behind the serving of sophomore Bethany Bonville that included a 10-1 run, let the Tarpons know the Bulldogs weren't going to tuck their tail and run after the first-game loss. The Dawgs topped the Tarpons 25-19 in game two to even the match.

The Tarpons took the next two games 25-17 and 25-20, but they had to battle for the wins. White added, "The girls were happy with their performance and these are the kinds of games we need to build our character."

There were several good performances by the girls in Blue and White. Datasia Wallace had five digs and six assists. Casey Hall and Tishonna Riley both led the team with seven digs.

Hall had seven kills while Riley led everybody with 19 kills. Hall said, "I'm very content with what we did tonight,



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DeSoto County's Tishonna Riley takes a quick look at the scoreboard during the match at Charlotte High School. The Tarpons won 3-1 but the Bulldogs gave them a tough battle all night. Riley led the team with 19 kills.

we'll come back stronger from these games."

The key to how the team will do this season lies in the young setters. "Bethany (Bonville) had a very good night setting the ball placement-wise. With her being so young she placed the ball very well for our hitters. That's our key for success this year," concluded White. Bonville led the team with 11 assists and had three aces to also lead the team.

Speaking of Riley, White said, "She's a stud!" On the other side of the net stood the Tarpons



DeSoto sophomore Bethany Bonville serves against Charlotte August 29 as the Bulldogs lost 3-1. Bonville had an excellent game, leading the team with 11 assists and three aces.

star Jenny D'Alessandro. It was good to watch two of the best players in the area do battle. They each blocked a few shots and had their kill shots. D'Alessandro knew where Riley was on the court as you could see her changing her swing and trying to hit away from Riley.

Riley, never the one to boast or brag, said, "It was a good matchup. She got a few past me and I got a few past her. It was pretty even." Hall chimed in, "Ti outplayed her. I'm not saying that because she's my teammate, it's true she had a better night."



Senior Casey Hall gives directions to sophomore Josie Deriso in the first game against Charlotte August 29. Hall tied for the team lead with seven digs on the evening and was second with seven kills.

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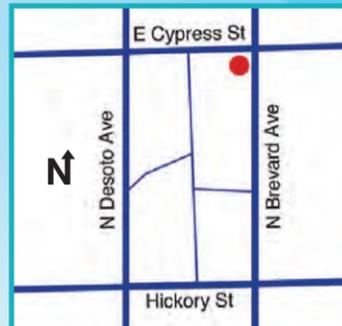


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Bulldogs rally but lose to Charlotte

By **STEVE KNAPP**

ARCADIAN ASSISTANT EDITOR

The undefeated DeSoto County Bulldogs JV volleyball team came to Punta Gorda to meet the 1-1 Charlotte Tarpons August 29. It was a night of comebacks and exciting games, and when the dust had settled, the Tarpons emerged with a 2-1 win.

The Bulldogs had never been tied or trailed in a match this season and started the first game as if they were going to continue that roll. Behind the serving of Sarah Bennett and Cassidy Furr, the Bulldogs took a quick 6-1 lead. The Tarpons battled back and took a 12-11 lead. The game was tied four times after that lead, with neither team able to open more than a three-point lead. The Tarpons rallied at the end to pull out a 25-22 win.

The second game started with the Tarpons pulling out to that same 6-1 lead the Bulldogs had enjoyed in the first game. That lead eventually grew to 10-1 behind the serving of sophomore Sarah Neal.

DeSoto County played some of the worse volleyball possible to begin the game. Serves, serve returns, running into the net and lack of communication prevailed. The tide turned suddenly as the Tarpons began to struggle, and the Bulldogs started their comeback. An 18-9 run tied the contest at 19.

With the Tarpons leading at match point 25-24 and a chance to end the match, a net serve gave the Bulldogs a point to tie the game. The Bulldogs



DeSoto County freshman Lexi Williams serves at Charlotte High School in their August 29 match. Williams' serves gave the Lady Bulldogs a short-lived lead 8-7 in game three before falling 15-11.



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DeSoto County JV volleyball players Jayla Cowell (10), Kayli Harrison (14), Lexi Williams (15), Victavia Blenden (partially hidden) and Cassidy Furr (2) happily leave the court after their win over Charlotte. After trailing 10-1, the Lady Bulldogs came back to win the second game 27-25.

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Beginning Sept. 11, the Florida Master Naturalist program will begin offering a series of talks and walks on the nature and ecology of DeSoto County. The program is offered under the aegis of the University of Florida IFAS (Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences) Extension Service. All of the talks and walks are free and open to the public. Monthly talks are scheduled for Wednesday mornings at 10 a.m. at DeSoto County Library. The walks will take place on various days after each program. Jerry and Linda Waters are organizing the program. You can pick up a schedule at the library, or email Lndwtrs@gmail.com for the e-flyer, or call 941-350-1337. Or contact DeSoto County Extension at 863-494-4846.

The programs will appeal to anyone with a curiosity about nature and interest in learning more about our Florida environment. Whether you are a Florida native or a newcomer, there is always something new to learn about our natural world. Enjoy the talks and slide shows at the library, then put on your hiking shoes and take a walk with these folks. You will see much more than you would by going out alone. The events would also be great for home-schooled youth interested in learning about the Florida environment.

Master Naturalists are certified after completing a series of courses. In return, they give back to the community by sharing their knowledge. Often they are individuals with a lifelong love of nature; many are retired educators. Others work in ecological fields and recognize the



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Morgan Park will be the site of the first Nature Walk. The main trail is paved and fully handicap accessible. Several interpretive signs along the trail provide information on native plants and animals.

ARCADIAN PHOTOS BY AL SMOKE



A large chicken mushroom, *Polyporus sulfurous*, on an old oak near the parking lot. This mushroom is edible and is considered choice.



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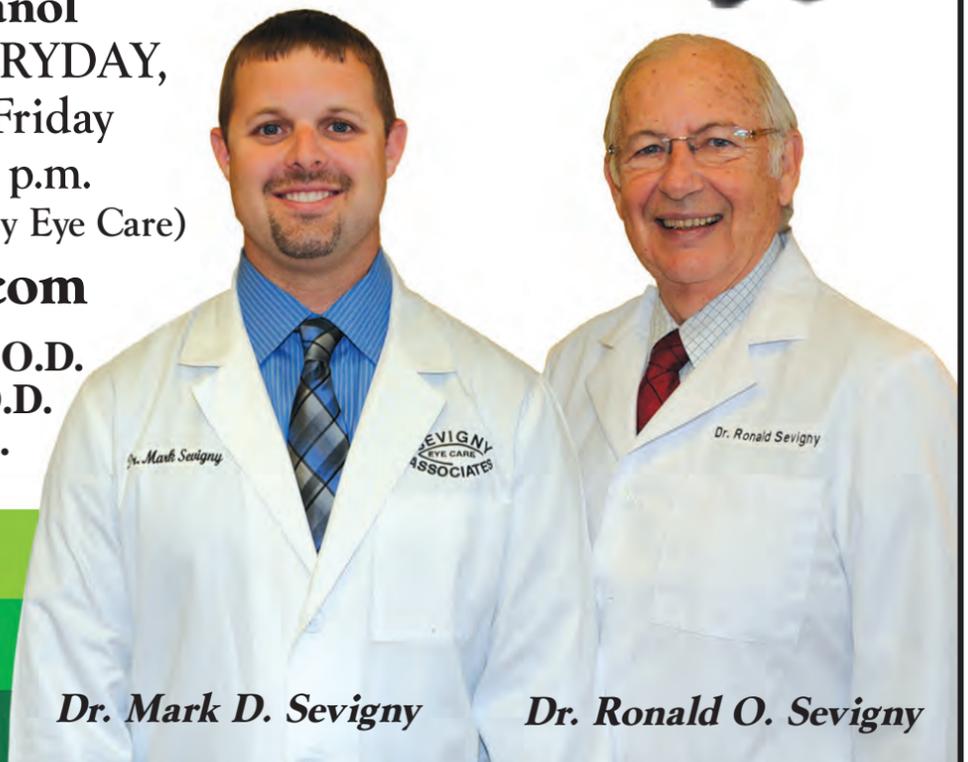


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The staff at Magnolia Street Seafood are, from left, Jackie Stokes, Bryant Arnold, Carl Tindall, Cedric Caylor, Angela Varvle and Jackie Smith.

MAGNOLIA

FROM PAGE 11

Magnolia Street Seafood is becoming a popular dining destination for locals and tourists alike. Most seafood choices come in a smaller lunch serving or a big dinner entree with side orders. The seafood, the produce, everything is fresh and cooked to order.

Magnolia Seafood has a large dining area and offers a separate banquet room for private parties or meetings, and food may be ordered to go.

Magnolia Street Seafood is open from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, and from noon to 3 p.m. Sundays. It is located at 9 W. Magnolia Street in downtown Arcadia, across from the Depot. The banquet room can be booked for up to 50. Gift certificates are available, and you can call 863-491-6916 to place an order to go. And when you go



The Crab Cake Sandwich (here shown without the bun) includes a crab patty with a generous amount of crabmeat, along with one side dish. You can also choose the entrée version which comes with two crab cakes and two sides. All the seafood and produce is fresh and cooked to order.

there, be sure to try the hush puppies. Visit <http://magnoliaseafood.com> for a peek at the menu and more information.

LETTERS

FROM PAGE 4

Ken Johnson helped our county

Editor:

It seems in the current economy of our nation, a very few make major decisions without seeking God's input nor properly consider his neighbor above himself. Such seems to be the case with Ken Johnson Jr. — former DeSoto County Extension Director & Agent, with the University of Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences. The way he was let go was hardly done "decently and in order."

Ken came from Arizona, a horticulturist with a desire to work on his Ph.D.

in the direction that would most benefit his new home state and county, all the while fulfilling what he was called to do. He reached out to everyone at every level, but seemed to realize those who needed his efforts most.

He took and began Master Naturalist classes and worked toward starting the Master Gardener classes also, while implementing a Native Plant Garden for The Arcadia Garden Club — as a member of that organization — in cooperation with the Charlotte Harbor National Estuary Program. This inspired Team Arcadia who are making improvements to Lake Katherine; they invited him to join and guide them also as they also worked to make this county shine as never before.

Ken did research into forage from North Florida to see if it would succeed in South Florida, and demonstrated

the value of biosolids. He was ever studying to increase his knowledge in areas of service whether it was in cattle or grasses and more, sharing all he learned with those who needed to know. He was planning many programs and activities, as one might glimpse from the Extension Office newsletter, that would benefit virtually every individual in DeSoto County — and its neighbors — to a greater extent than ever before.

Wherever he could help, Ken did, and helped not only our county but worked in cooperation with neighboring counties for the good of all. He was ready to be a friend or servant, at a moment's notice, and whatever he did was done as "unto the Lord" with all his strength, and yet he set a fine example of what a husband and father should be to his family, just starting what

would become a model farm and home in every sense of the word. One could easily say that he was interested in and cared about every man, woman and child, and every creature — domestic or wild — and every plant, past, present, and future.

We believe DeSoto County has suffered a tremendous loss, as we have, that it cannot begin to count. We know that God will bless Ken for his faithfulness in all he put his hand to, but if you were blessed by Ken Johnson as we were and would like to encourage him, perhaps you would send a note to him or his superiors through us, and we shall deliver it to him and his family with your love and ours.

Forest and John Reynolds
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CALENDAR

FROM PAGE 6

second and fourth Wed. through April at 1 p.m., first clubhouse inside South Entrance Arcadia Village Country Club. North of Walmart, State Road 70. Call Max R. Fitzpatrick at 863-494-6257. Free. Tours, speakers, conversation, friends, fun — all welcome.

- The DeSoto County Ministerial Association will meet at 8:30 a.m. for prayer and 9 a.m. for the meeting at the Housing Authority, on Booker T. Washington St. Pastors or representatives of all denominations and churches are invited to attend as we address community challenges and coordinate worship services to serve county residents.

- Narcotics Anonymous meets from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Arcadia Oaks Multipurpose Room at 1013 E. Gibson St., Arcadia. Open to the public.

- DeSoto Arts and Humanities Council Artist Group is now meeting on Wednesday mornings, 9 a.m. to noon at the Arcadia Village Cantina Clubhouse. Call Linda at 494-7734

for more information. Free and open to the public.

- Hour of Power Prayer time is held at noon at Freedom Fellowship Christian Ministries, 1528 N.E. Turner Ave.

- AA "Brown Bagger" meetings are offered every Monday at noon at Trinity United Methodist Church, 304 W. Oak St.

- The Arcadia Eagles, 150 S. Polk Ave., now offers Bingo from 7-9 p.m. Wednesday evenings.

- Alcoholics Anonymous Serenity-Big Book meets at 8 p.m. at Grace Lutheran Church, W. Oak St. (State Road 70).

- Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion at Trinity Methodist Church, 304 Oak Street.

- "Art for Kids" is at 3 p.m. every Wednesday in the DeSoto County Library's children's wing. This program, sponsored by the DeSoto County Arts and Humanities Council, is for elementary school-aged children.

THURSDAY

- TEAM Arcadia meets on the second Thursday of the month at 4:30 p.m. in the conference room of the Margaret Way Building, 23 N Polk Avenue. The purpose of TEAM Arcadia is to unite community organizations and

coordinate community improvement efforts.

- DeSoto County Historical Society meets at noon every second Thursday monthly at the Family Service Center annex, 310 W. Whidden St., Arcadia. Lunch is available for \$5 at 11:30 a.m.

- Arcadia-DeSoto County Habitat for Humanity meets at 6 p.m. second Thursdays monthly at the Habitat ReStore, 111 N. Polk Ave. Call 494-4118 or desotohabitat@embarqmail.com for more information.

- American Red Cross Youth Corps of DeSoto County meets second Thursdays monthly from 3:30-5 p.m. at DeSoto County High School. For more information, call at 494-2348.

- Gastric bypass support group meets at 6:30 p.m. second and fourth Thursdays monthly at Mardis Citrus on U.S. 17 S. For more information, call 990-0082 or 494-5700.

- Drop-in Yoga Class every Thursday, 5 p.m.-5:15 p.m., registration and yoga tea; 5:15-6:15 p.m., yoga class. Come enjoy an hour of serenity focused on breathing, gentle yoga poses, peaceful stretching and quiet relaxation. Held in the Health Dept., conference room, 34

S. Baldwin Ave. Drop-in \$7/class, 8-class package \$40 (\$5 per class). Bring your own mat. For more information, call Christine at 244-1925.

- DeSoto County Library story time is at 3 p.m. at 125 N. Hillsborough Ave., Arcadia. Call 993-4851 for more information.

- Cocaine Anonymous meetings are held every Thursday from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church. The first meeting is scheduled for Feb. 3. For information, call Charles Godwin at 941-357-3945, Mildred Daniels at 993-0373, or Curtis Clark at 263-2935.

- Faith Mission provides free lunches for anyone in need, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. 1109 S.E. 9th St., Arcadia. Donations gratefully accepted.

- Alcoholics Anonymous Second Tradition meets at 7 p.m. at St. Edmund's Episcopal Church, 327 W. Hickory St.

- Arcadia Quilt Club meets from 9-11:30 a.m. at the Palace Dance Hall, 1627 N.E. Floridian Circle, Arcadia.

- Weight Watchers meets every Thursday at 6 p.m. at Calvary Baptist Church, 1509 E. Oak St. For details visit www.weightwatchers.com and "find a meeting" or call 800-651-6000.

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**NOTICE OF ACTION
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2013 DR 0488
IN RE: THE MARRIAGE OF PETER PLEIJSANT, Petitioner/Husband and MARY ROSE JARO PLEIJSANT, Respondent/Wife.
NOTICE OF ACTION FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE
TO: MARY ROSE TARO PLEIJSANT Physical Description of MARY ROSE TARO PLEIJSANT, Philippine Female, Height 5'4" Weight 115 lbs. Black Hair and Brown Eyes. Born in 8/27/1978. YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to the Petitioner, PETER PLEIJSANT whose address is, 7304 W. Country Club Dr. Sarasota FL 34243 and/or to the Petitioner's Attorney, Philip J. Chipani, Esq., whose address is, 2033 Wood Street, Suite 200, Sarasota, FL 34237, on or before September 6, 2013 and file the original with Desoto Clerk of Court, 115 East Oak Street, Room 101, Arcadia, FL 34266, before service on Petitioner or immediately thereafter. If you fail to do so, a default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in this petition. Copies of all court documents in this case, including orders, are available at the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office. You may review

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these documents upon request. You must keep the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office notified of your current address. (You may file Notice of Current Address, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.915). Future papers in this lawsuit will be mailed to the address on record at the Clerk's office. Dated: August 6, 2013 MITZIE W. MCGAVIC CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
BY: /s/ M. Harris
Deputy Clerk Published 8/15/13, 8/22/13, 8/29/13 & 9/5/13 131159 2927003

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**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION
File No. 13-CP-071
Division Twelfth
IN RE: ESTATE OF Harold E. McLeod Deceased.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate of Harold E. McLeod, deceased, whose date of death was August 7, 2013, and whose social security number are xxx-xx-2842, is pending in the Circuit Court for DeSoto County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 115 East Oak Street, Arcadia, Florida 34266. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below. All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF THE COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM. All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIOD SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED. The date of first publication of this notice is September 5, 2013. Attorney for Personal Representative:
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**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE
3122**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 12TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL DIVISION:
CASE NO.: 2012 CA 000153
WELLS FARGO FINANCIAL SYSTEM FLORIDA, INC., Plaintiff,
vs.
SHIRLEY ANN ADAMS; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF SHIRLEY ANN ADAMS; UNKNOWN TENANT; IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated the 12th day of August, 2013, and entered in Case No. 2012 CA 000153, of the Circuit Court of the 12TH Judicial Circuit in and for Desoto County, Florida, wherein WELLS FARGO FINANCIAL SYSTEM FLORIDA, INC. is the Plaintiff and SHIRLEY ANN ADAMS; UNKNOWN TENANT(S); IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY are defendants. The Clerk of this Court shall sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the, SOUTH DOOR OF THE DESOTO COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 115 EAST OAK STREET, ARCADIA, FL 34266, 11:00 AM on the 26th day of September, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:
LOT 1, BLOCK "B" OF DESOTO MOBILE ESTATES, A SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 9, PAGE 37, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA
ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE.
Dated this 29th day of August, 2013.
By: Michael D.P. Phillips
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR DE SOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO.: 14-2012-CA-000290
GMAC MORTGAGE, LLC Plaintiff,
vs.
LINDOL R. WATERMAN, III A/K/A CHIP WATERMAN, et al Defendants.
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Summary Final Judgment of foreclosure dated August 21, 2013, and entered in Case No. 14-2012-CA-000290 of the Circuit Court of the TWELFTH Judicial Circuit in and for DE

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SOTO COUNTY, Florida, wherein GMAC MORTGAGE, LLC, is Plaintiff, and LINDOL R. WATERMAN, III A/K/A CHIP WATERMAN, et al are Defendants, the clerk will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, beginning at 11:00 AM at www.desotoclerk.com, in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes, on the 08 day of October, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Summary Final Judgment, to wit: **Begin at the Southeast corner of the North 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 21, Township 37 South, Range 24 East, DeSoto County, Florida; thence North 0 degrees 29 minutes 03 seconds East along the East line of said tract, 105.00 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence continue on the same line 110.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 15 minutes 55 seconds West and parallel to the North line of said tract, 396.04 feet; thence South 0 degrees 29 minutes 03 seconds West 110.00 feet; thence 89 degrees 15 minutes 55 seconds East, 396.04 feet to the Point of Beginning, less Right of Way to SR 551 along the East side.** Any person claiming an interest in the surplus funds from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.
Dated at Arcadia, DESOTO COUNTY, Florida, this 23rd day of August, 2013.
Mitzie W. McGavic
Clerk of said Circuit Court
By: /s/ B. Wynn
As Deputy Clerk
GMAC MORTGAGE, LLC
c/o Phelan Hallinan, PLC
Attorneys for Plaintiff
2727 West Cypress Creek Road
Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33309 Ph: 954-462-7000
If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the DeSoto County Clerks Office, 115 East Oak Street, Arcadia, Florida 34266, (863)993-4876, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than seven (7) days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 12th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION
CASE NO. 14-2012-CA-000382
GMAC MORTGAGE, LLC, PLAINTIFF,
VS.
STEVEN G. HANCOCK, ET AL., DEFENDANT(S).
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order to Cancel and Reschedule Sale dated July 30, 2013 and entered in Case No. 14-2012-CA-000382 in the Circuit Court of the 12th Judicial Cir-

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cuit in and for DeSoto County, Florida wherein GMAC MORTGAGE, LLC was the Plaintiff and STEVEN G. HANCOCK, ET AL., the Defendant(s). The Clerk will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, beginning at 11:00 a.m. at the South door of the Desoto County Courthouse, 115 East Oak St., Arcadia, FL 34266 on the 26th day of September, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:
PARCEL "A": THE N 1/2 OF THE S 1/2 OF THE SE 1/4 OF THE NE 1/4 OF SW 1/4 OF SECTION 2, TOWNSHIP 38 SOUTH, RANGE 25 EAST. SUBJECT TO ROAD R/W ALONG THE EAST SIDE. SUBJECT TO RESERVATIONS, RESTRICTIONS AND EASEMENTS OF RECORD IN THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA. ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS OF THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER, AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS, MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN SIXTY (60) DAYS AFTER THE SALE.
This 22nd day of August, 2013, s/Stephen M. Huttman Florida Bar # 102673
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FAX: 678-381-8548
If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact DeSoto County Jury Office, 115 East Oak Street Arcadia, Florida 34266, (863) 993-4876, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. Published 8/29/13 & 9/5/13 355805 2932024

**NOTICE OF MEETING
3126**

DeSOTO COUNTY DELEGATION NOTICE OF MEETING
TO: All agencies of local government and interested parties
FROM: Representative Ben Albritton, Chairman, DeSoto County Legislative Delegation
SUBJECT: DeSoto County Legislative Delegation Annual Meeting and Public Hearing
State Representative Ben Albritton, District 56, announces that the DeSoto County Legislative Delegation meeting will be held on **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2013 at 1:30 P.M.** in the DeSoto County Commissioner's Chambers on the first floor of the DeSoto County Courthouse Annex Building located at 201 East Oak Street in Arcadia, Florida. If you would like to be placed on the agenda to speak, please contact Representative Ben Albritton's District Aide, Karen Whaley at

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NOTICE OF MEETING 3126

863-993-4536 **no later than noon on Wednesday, September 25, 2013.** Five (5) copies of all handouts and other information for delegation members must be received by Representative Albritton's District Office at Post Office Box 1966, Bartow, Florida 33831 **by Wednesday, September 25, 2013.** Discussion of issues regarding local legislation for the 2014 Legislative Session will be held at this time. All proposals for local bills are expected to be presented at the hearing and must be drafted in bill form, accompanied by a Resolution from the local government supporting the proposed legislation. This information must be received by Representative Albritton's District Office at Post Office Box 1966, Bartow, Florida 33831 **by Wednesday, September 25, 2013.** Individuals wishing to address the Delegation on local bills being considered should plan to attend the public hearing at the DeSoto County Courthouse Annex Building located at 201 East Oak Street in Arcadia, Florida. Following the consideration of local bills, the public will be invited to address the Delegation on state issues that are of concern. If you have any questions or would like to be placed on the agenda for the DeSoto County Legislation Delegation Hearing, please email Karen Whaley at karen.whaley@myfloridahouse.gov or call 863-993-4536. Published 9/5/13 356667 2935920

NOTICE OF SALE 3130

IN THE CIRCUIT CIVIL COURT OF THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR DESOTO COUNTY CIVIL DIVISION
Case No. 2008 CA 001303
Division
US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR STRUCTURED ASSET INVESTMENT LOAN TRUST MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-4
Plaintiff,
vs.
ARTURO QUEZADO A/K/A ARTURO QUEZADA, AMPARO QUEZADO A/K/A AMPARO QUEZADA, ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST THE HEREIN NAMED INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANT(S) WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES OR OTHER CLAIMANTS, MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR LEHMAN BROTHERS BANK, FSB, JOHN DOE N/K/A JUAN LOPEZ, JANE DOE N/K/A ROCIO QUEZADA, AND UNKNOWN TENANTS/OWNERS,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Final Judgment of Foreclosure for Plaintiff entered in this cause on August 8, 2013, in the Circuit Court of Desoto County, Florida, The Clerk of the Court will sell the property situated in Desoto County, Florida described as: PARCEL 1: BEGIN AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE SOUTH 1/2 OF THE SOUTH 1/2 OF THE NE 1/4 OF THE NW 1/4 OF SECTION 13, TOWNSHIP 38 SOUTH, RANGE 24 EAST, DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA; DESOTO N 89 DEGREES 37' 24" W ALONG SOUTH LINE OF SAID TRACT, 1020.78 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE SAME LINE, 125.00 FEET; THENCE N 00 DEGREES 18' 46" E, 199.25 FEET; THENCE S 89 DEGREES 37' 24" E AND PARALLEL TO SOUTH LINE OF SAID TRACT, 125.00 FEET; THENCE S 00 DEGREES 18' 46" W, 199.25 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SUBJECT TO ROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY (MARIPOSA DRIVE) ALONG THE SOUTH SIDE and commonly known as: 1730 SW MARIPOSA DR, ARCADIA, FL 34266; including the building, appurtenances, and fixtures located therein, at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, on front steps of the DeSoto County Courthouse, on September 24, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. Any persons claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as

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of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Dated this 12 day of August, 2013. CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT Mitzie W. McGavic
/s/ B. Wynn
By: Deputy Clerk
Published 8/29/13 & 9/5/13 101348 2932051

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR DESOTO COUNTY GENERAL CIVIL DIVISION

Case No. 2011-CA-000777
WELLS FARGO FINANCIAL SYSTEM FLORIDA, INC.
Plaintiff,
vs.
TERESA E. CLINE; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF TERESA E. CLINE; ROLLAND HOFACKER; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ROLLAND HOFACKER; WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO WELLS FARGO FINANCIAL BANK; and UNKNOWN OCCUPANTS, TENANTS, OWNERS, AND OTHER UNKNOWN PARTIES, including, if a named defendant is deceased, the personal representatives, the surviving spouse, heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors, and all other parties claiming by, through, under or against that defendant, and all claimants, persons or parties, natural or corporate, or whose exact legal status is unknown, claiming under any of the above named or described defendants.
Defendants.

AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the Order or Final Judgment entered in this cause, in the Circuit Court of DeSoto County, Florida, I will sell the property situated in DeSoto County, Florida, described as: **LOT 18, BLOCK 8, DAUGHTREY'S ADDITION TO ARCADIA, FLORIDA AS PER MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT IN AND FOR DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA, IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 22.** at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, at the front steps of the DeSoto County Courthouse, 115 E. Oak Street, Arcadia, Florida 34266 at 11:00 a.m. on October 1st, 2013. ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS, MUST FILE A CLAIM WITH THE CLERK OF COURT WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE. DATED this 14th day of August, 2013.
MITZIE MCGAVIC
Clerk of Circuit Court
By: /s/ B. Wynn
Deputy Clerk
In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the A.D.A. Coordinator not later than seven (7) days prior to the proceeding via the Florida Relay Service at 1-800-955-8771. Published 8/22/13 & 9/5/13 107024 2934417

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR DE SOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION

CASE NO.: 142012CA000789CAAXMA
JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
Plaintiff,
vs.
LORI GARZA BELLEZA, et al
Defendants.

RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

RE-NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Granting Plaintiff's Motion to Reschedule Foreclosure Sale filed August 24, 2013 and entered in Case No. 142012CA000789CAAXMA of the Circuit Court of the TWELFTH Judicial Circuit in and for DE SOTO COUNTY, Florida, wherein JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, is Plaintiff, and LORI GARZA BELLEZA, et al are Defendants, the clerk will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, beginning at 11:00 AM at www.desotoclerk.com, in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes, on the 08 day of October, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Lis Pendens, to wit: **Lot 62 of ORANGE PARK ESTATES, an unrecorded plat**

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also being described as: Begin at the SE corner of the NE 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of Section 18, Township 37 South, Range 25 East; thence South 89 degrees 58 minutes West along the South line of said tract 340.56 feet to P.O.B.; thence continue along same line 87.78 feet; thence North 140.33 feet; thence North 89 degrees 54 minutes 30 seconds East 87.78 feet; and thence South 140.42 feet to the P.O.B. Lot 63 of ORANGE PARK ESTATES, an unrecorded plat also being described as: Begin at the SE corner of the NE 1/4 of NW 1/4 of Section 18, Township 37 South, Range 25 East; thence S 89 degrees 58 minutes West along South line of said tract, 252.78 feet to P.O.B.; thence continue same line 87.78 feet; thence North 140.42 feet; thence N 89 degrees 54 minutes 20 seconds E, 87.78 feet; thence South 140.52 feet to P.O.B. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus funds from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.

Dated at Arcadia, DESOTO COUNTY, Florida, this 23rd day of August, 2013.
Mitzie W. McGavic
Clerk of said Circuit Court
By: /s/ B. Wynn
As Deputy Clerk
JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
c/o Phelan Hallinan, PLC
Attorneys for Plaintiff
2727 West Cypress Creek Road
Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33309
Ph:954-462-7000

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the DeSoto County Clerks Office, 115 East Oak Street, Arcadia, Florida 34266, (863)993-4876, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than seven (7) days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. Published 9/5/13 & 9/12/13 336737 2935608

IN THE CIRCUIT CIVIL COURT OF THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR DESOTO COUNTY CIVIL DIVISION

Case No. 14-2012-CA-000099
Division 1
WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.
Plaintiff,
vs.
JONATHAN P. BRAGG A/K/A JONATHON P. BRAGG, SANDRA REID-BRAGG AND UNKNOWN TENANTS/OWNERS,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Final Judgment of Foreclosure for Plaintiff entered in this cause on August 8, 2013, in the Circuit Court of Desoto County, Florida, The Clerk of the Court will sell the property situated in Desoto County, Florida described as: LOTS 4, 5, 6, 7 AND 8, INCLUSIVE, OF BLOCK B, A.W. GILCHRIST SUBDIVISION OF SOUTH 1/2 OF SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SOUTHWEST QUARTER (SW 1/4) OF SECTION 25, TOWNSHIP 37 SOUTH, RANGE 24 EAST, AS PER MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT IN PLAT BOOK C-5, PAGE 54.

and commonly known as: 1014 W HICKORY ST, ARCADIA, FL 34266; including the building, appurtenances, and fixtures located therein, at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, on front steps of the DeSoto County Courthouse, on October 1, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. Any persons claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Dated this 12 day of August, 2013. CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT Mitzie W. McGavic
/s/ B. Wynn
By: Deputy Clerk
Published 8/29/13 & 9/5/13 101348 2929886

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case No. 2013CA000200AXMA
CIVIL DIVISION
Branch Banking And Trust Company, a North Carolina banking corporation,
Plaintiff,
v.
Ali R. Shahin, an individual; John Doe as Unknown Tenant #1; John Doe as Unknown Tenant #2; and Any And All Others Claiming By, Through Or Under Said Defendants,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the Uniform Final Judgment of Mortgage Foreclosure entered on April 29, 2013 and the Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale entered on August 21, 2013, the Clerk of this Court will sell the following described property situated in DeSoto County, Florida:

Lot 3 and that part of Lot 4, BEGINNING at the Northwesterly corner of said Lot 4; thence run East on the Northerly boundary of Lot 4, fifty (50') feet; thence Southerly to a point on the South boundary of Lot 4, seventy-five (75') feet East of the Southwest corner of said Lot 4; thence Westerly seventy-five (75') feet along South boundary of said Lot 4 to the Southwest corner of said Lot 4; thence North one hundred and eighty (180') feet (more or less) on the Westerly boundary of said Lot 4 to the POINT OF BEGINNING. All lying and being in ELLER & TURNER ESTATES, FIRST - ADDITION, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 6, Page 79, of the public records of DeSoto County, Florida. to the highest and best bidder, for cash, at the DeSoto County Courthouse, 115 Oak Street, Arcadia, FL 34266, in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes, beginning at 11:00 a.m. or as soon thereafter as possible, on October 10, 2013. **ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE**

DATE: August 26, 2013
s/ J. Marshall Moorhead
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If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in a court proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance: Please contact DeSoto County Jury Office, 115 East Oak Street, Arcadia, Florida 34266. Telephone: (863) 993-4876. If you are hearing or voice impaired, please call 711. Published 9/5/13 & 9/12/13 336737 2935608

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NOTICE OF INTENT TO USE UNIFORM METHOD OF COLLECTING NON-AD VALOREM ASSESSMENTS

The City of Arcadia, Florida (the "City") hereby provides notice, pursuant to section 197.3632(3)(a), Florida Statutes, of its intent to use the uniform method of collecting non-ad valorem special assessments to be levied within the Incorporated area of the City, for the cost of providing fire and stormwater services commencing for the Fiscal Year beginning on October 1, 2014 and continuing until discontinued by the City. The City will consider the adoption of a resolution electing to use the uniform method of collecting such assessments authorized by sec-

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tion 197.3632, Florida Statutes, at a public hearing to be held at 6:00 p.m. on October 1, 2013 at the Council Chambers, 23 N. Polk Avenue, Arcadia, Florida. Such resolution will state the need for the levy and will contain a legal description of the boundaries of the real property subject to the levy. Copies of the proposed form of resolution, which contains the legal description of the real property subject to the levy, are on file at the Clerk's office, City Hall, 23 N. Polk Avenue, Arcadia, Florida. All interested persons are invited to attend.

In the event any person decides to appeal any decision by the City with respect to any matter relating to the consideration of the resolution at the above-referenced public hearing, a record of the proceeding may be needed and in such an event, such person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the public hearing is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence on which the appeal is to be based. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation or an interpreter to participate in this proceeding should contact the City Clerk at (863) 494-4114 at least a week prior to the date of the hearing. DATED this 23rd day of August, 2013.

By Order of:
Gia Lancaster, City Clerk
CITY OF ARCADIA, FLORIDA
Published 9/5/13, 9/12/13, 9/19/13 & 9/26/13 114862 2932018

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ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20

Aries, no matter how hard you work, you just cannot seem to get ahead this week. Instead of tiring yourself unnecessarily, take a break and regroup.

TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21

Taurus, although you have many questions, the answers will not come so easily to you in the next few days. Bide your time for a revelation.

GEMINI - May 22/June 21

It will be really difficult to put you in a bad mood this week, Gemini. Your energy and cheer will be a bright light to those around you, so enjoy the next few days.

CANCER - June 22/July 22

Cancer, you may want to be friends with everyone, but you may have to accept that you have a few people who just do not meld with your interests. Hang out with those who do.

LEO - July 23/Aug 23

Exercise can do more than just keep you physically fit, Leo. It also can help boost your mood when you need a pick-me-up, which could be the case in the near future.

VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22

Virgo, each time you think the grass will be greener somewhere else, you quickly learn it is not the case. Learn to appreciate what you have, and you will be glad for having done so.

LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23

Libra, generosity will endear you to others, but you have to be generous for the right reasons. It's not a good idea to build friendships on false pretenses.

SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22

Scorpio, avoid taking on any more projects for the time being. Although you excel in tackling things, even the best of us need a rest from time to time.

SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21

Sagittarius, you will have to buckle down and get some things done at work, even if you are a little under the weather. Take things nice and easy once your work is done.

CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20

Capricorn, devoting time to a spouse or children is of the utmost importance this week, while other matters will have to wait. Enjoy this opportunity to spend time with your loved ones.

AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18

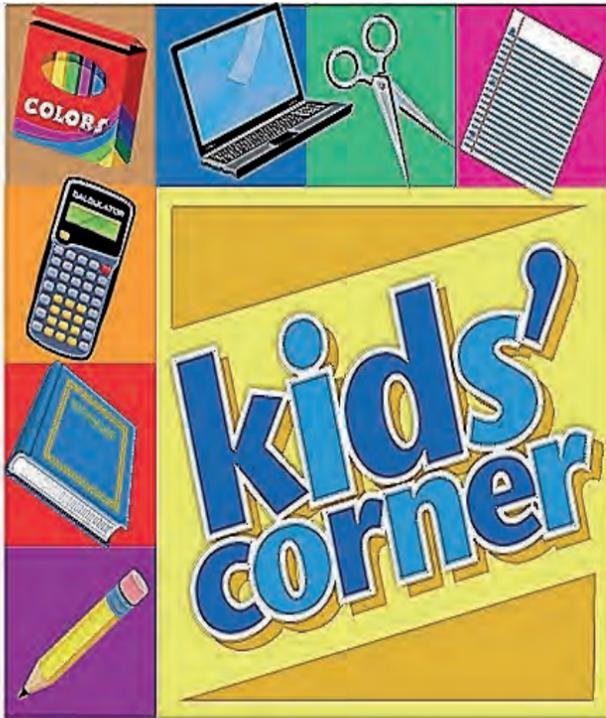
Aquarius, a hectic schedule is compromising your ability to stay focused on the tasks at hand. You may need some help sorting some things out.

PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20

There are enough diversions around to take your mind off of your problems, Pisces. They may not disappear, but you can address some issues later.

FAMOUS BIRTHDAYS

- SEPTEMBER 1
Zendaya Coleman, Actress (17)
- SEPTEMBER 2
Keanu Reeves, Actor (49)
- SEPTEMBER 3
Jennie Finch, Athlete (33)
- SEPTEMBER 4
Wes Bentley, Actor (35)
- SEPTEMBER 5
Michael Keaton, Actor (62)
- SEPTEMBER 6
Swoosie Kurtz, Actress (69)
- SEPTEMBER 7
Oliver Hudson, Actor (37)



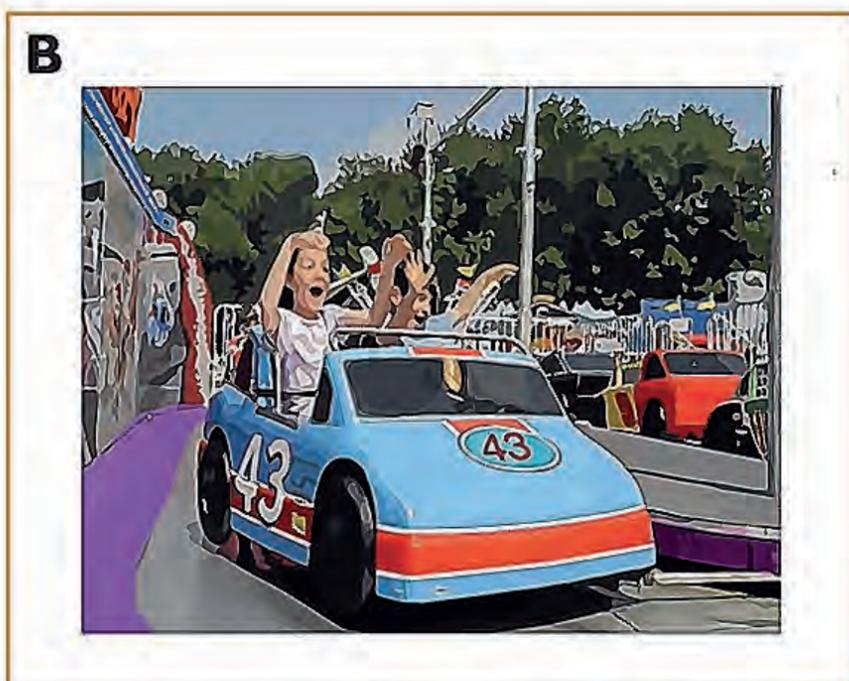
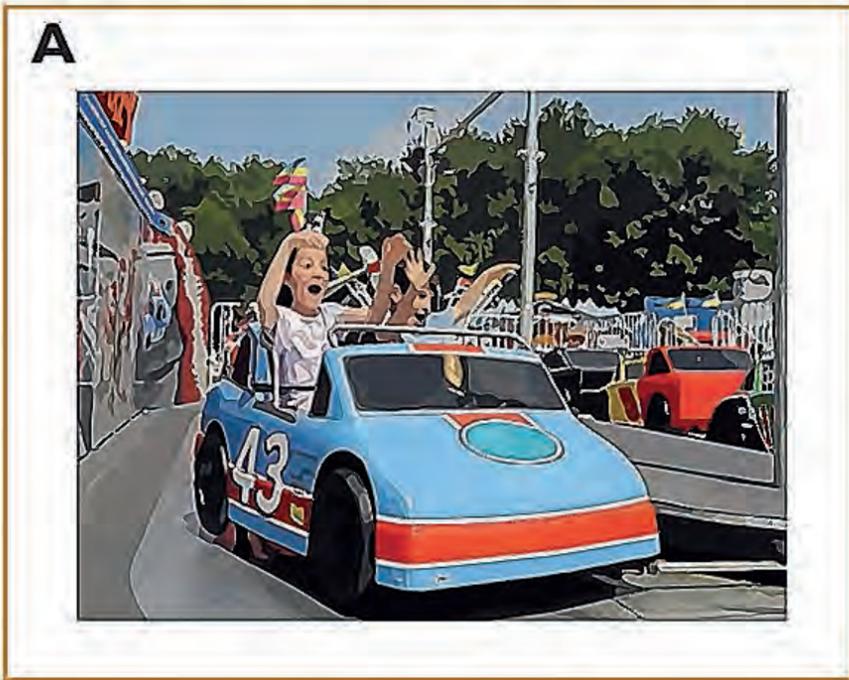
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ANSWER: EAR

What's the Difference?

There are four things different between Picture A and Picture B. Can you find them all?



Answers: 1. Track is purple 2. Pink bristles on ride mechanism 3. "43" on car 4. Missing flags in background

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- 1836: THE CITY OF HOUSTON IS FOUNDED.
- 1967: THURGOOD MARSHALL IS CONFIRMED AS THE FIRST AFRICAN-AMERICAN JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES.
- 1999: EAST TIMOR RESIDENTS VOTE TO SECEDE FROM INDONESIA.



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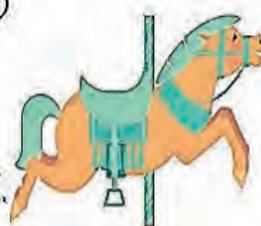
sudden feeling of excitement

How they SAY that in...

- ENGLISH:** Fun
- SPANISH:** Divertido
- ITALIAN:** Divertimento
- FRENCH:** Amusant
- GERMAN:** Spaß

Did You Know?

THE CAROUSEL RIDE EVOLVED FROM A GAME OF WAR DEPICTING ARABIAN AND SPANISH CRUSADERS. ONE OF THE FIRST POWERED CAROUSELS WAS DESIGNED BY FREDERICK SAYAGE.



GET THE PICTURE?



Can you guess what the bigger picture is?

ANSWER: TICKETS

THRILLER

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line. With 16 seconds left, the Thunder pushed in the winning touchdown.

On the earlier pass to Denmark, DeSoto coach Darryl Nicklow called the perfect defensive play. As if he knew exactly what play the Thunder had called, he told the defensive backs where to be for the play. The back who was beaten on the play was sucked in out of position and left Denmark wide open.

The quick striking Dawgs weren't finished. With just 12 seconds left on the clock, Williams stepped back in the pocket, shook off a couple of would-be tacklers, scrambled for a few seconds and then found Tony Lee all alone on the Thunder's 10 yard line.

The ball was in the air for about 45 yards. Lee, who had dropped a pass in the same area of the field earlier in the quarter, hung on to this one but went down on the 10 yard line just as the clock reached all zeros. After a few moments of discussion the referees declared the game over and the Bulldogs had lost a heartbreaker.

With many of the players visibly shaken by the loss, Egloff did what a coach has to do. He reminded them it's not the end of the season and they must learn from their mistakes and get better and play with more intensity throughout the game.

"That was game one. All it means is that we're not going undefeated this season," Egloff said.

Williams then asked to speak to the team and gave a heated speech to his teammates. With passion and heartfelt feelings he challenged his team to take the game seriously and play like a team.

Williams shouted at his team until he was hoarse. "I'm not holding back any of my feelings anymore, I'm done with losing," he exclaimed. "This ain't going to happen no more. I'm a senior and we can't end our season like this. We've (seniors) got to get into these guys and make them work, if they joke around in practice we've got to get into them and make them work! I'm done with this, no more! You hear me?"

It was something that needed to be said and it meant more to the players hearing it come from their leader rather than a coach. It hit home and let them all know Williams wants more out of his team than they gave in the game and he was prepared to follow through on his words.

Williams looked and sounded like a leader as he talked to several players on the way back to the bus. He encouraged some and asked for more from others. He congratulated those who stood up and played well. The Bulldogs travel to Lehigh for a 7 p.m. game tomorrow.



ARCADIAN PHOTOS BY STEVE KNAPP, sbigdaddyknapp@aol.com

Deionte "Juice" Turner and Machale "Mississippi" Harville talk about their opponents' offense in the second quarter of the loss to Lake Region 19-18. Both players were outstanding as leaders of the DeSoto County defense.



Jacarius "Slugga" Thomas, senior receiver for the Bulldogs, hauls in a second quarter pass from Kari Williams. The Bulldogs lost a close game to Lake Region 19-18 August 30.



SIDELINE CHATTER

Zack Beeles, who made the switch from running back to offensive line and linebacker this year and loves to hit people, commented on his switch to a fellow lineman. "It's a lot like carrying the ball. I get hit on every play, I just don't have the ball anymore."

Coach Richard Koonce after punter Rosario Zavala made his second consecutive long punt that took a good bounce and rolled near the 20 yard line. "At least our punting game is good tonight." The ball was scooped up and returned 79 yards for a touchdown. Koonce then turned his back to the field and rolled his eyes as if to say "I should have kept my mouth shut."

Receiver Tony Lee while resting on the bench during a disappointing first half, "We're not playing down to their level, we're playing below their level."

Coach Koonce was heard several times shouting approval and acknowledgment to Deionte Turner, who had a good night stopping the running game of the Thunder. "I see you D.T., I see you."

Freshman Nirion Washington, who is very talented and has the potential to become a fine player, was in the locker room before the game and putting on his No. 5 uniform. When asked if he had that number for any reason he said it was his favorite number. I asked if that was because someone with the initials M.B. (Mike Bellamy) wore that number? He replied, "Yea, he's my cousin."

Dewayne (Boo) Hearn after he ripped the ball out of the hands of star running back Blade Denmark on the Thunder 35 yard line to give the Bulldogs good field position. "I just grabbed it and turned and sat down with it and he let it go."

Tony Lee after he dropped a pass as he was wide open inside the Thunder's 20 yard line. "The ball just hit my hands and helmet at the same time and I dropped it."

Seniors Terrell Gordon (34) and Kari Williams take a well deserved break. Gordon had 120 yards on the ground and a touchdown. Williams scored on a seven-yard run for the first touchdown for the Bulldogs this season, and later connected with Dequan Richardson for another as he passed for 133 yards against Lake Region.

RALLY

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scored the next two points to take an exciting 27-25 win in game two.

In the deciding game, the Tarpons took a 7-2 lead before DeSoto County came back to tie it at 11. This time the comeback attempt fell short as Neal finished off the Bulldogs while serving the final points in a 15-11 victory.

DeSoto coach Nora Cail said, "I am very proud of the team. They didn't give up and kept battling and won that second game. Lexi (Williams) had a very good game tonight both serving and on the court."

Williams was serving when the

Bulldogs tied up game one at 19 and her ace gave them the lead at 20-19. In the final game she stepped to the service line with the Lady Bulldogs trailing 7-2. By the time her serve was broken, the Bulldogs had gone ahead 8-7, but they could not hold on to win the deciding game.

Williams said, "It felt great to get us back in the lead in game three. I was so happy in that second game when we came back to win. We just stayed up and kept trying. We never gave up."

Cassidy Furr echoed Williams' thoughts on the game two comeback. "We couldn't let anybody put their head down," she said. "We started making some good passes and got the momentum and came back to win. We played well tonight even though we lost."



Southpaw Victavia Blanden drills the ball over the net for another DeSoto County point against the Charlotte Tarpons. The Tarpons won the match 2-1.

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WALK

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value of increasing the knowledge of our residents. Speakers and walk leaders include many familiar naturalists from DeSoto County, plus some folks from Charlotte County and organizations such as Audubon Society and Sierra Club.

The first talk will be Wednesday, Sept. 11 at 10 a.m. at the library. Devin Lawrence presents "Fish Tales" as he identifies fish found in southwest Florida waters. Devin works in the area of ecology/biology, and is a DeSoto County High School graduate. On Oct. 9, Gil MacAdam, a retired Broward County Parks naturalist and Peace River Audubon member, talks on "Planting for Birds and Butterflies." Learn how to design your garden using native plants

and more.

Future talks scheduled include "Native Plants and their Uses," "Moth Madness," "Plant Adaptations," "Ecology," "Burrowing Owls," "Exotic and Invasive Species" and "Wildflower Wanderings."

Morgan Park is the site of the first walk on Tuesday, Sept 17. The park is just west of town — from Arcadia, take State Road 70 W, and turn right on Parker Ave, before you cross Peace River. Explore the beauty of DeSoto County's only dedicated nature park. Meet at the designated walk location for each walk at 8:30 a.m. Call the Extension Office at 863-494-4846 for more details.

Comfortable clothing and walking shoes are a must, and grab a water bottle to stay hydrated. Bring your camera and binoculars, or even a hand lens for up-close examination of flora and fauna. Insect repellent and sunscreen may be necessary. Walks

are early in the day to avoid the heat. Walking will be at a comfortable pace, with stops to examine and photograph.

On Friday, Sept. 27, explore Brownville Park. A second walk will take place at Morgan Park on Tues., Oct. 1. Learn about how early settlers used native plants with John and Forest Reynolds. Discover the beauty of our school district's Environmental Learning Lab on Wed., Oct. 30 with local expert Gil MacAdam. Future walks will explore Deep Creek Preserve and Babcock Webb Footprints Trail. Some of the locations will be revisited in different seasons, and walks will focus on the different aspects of the environment.

The Florida Master Naturalist training program consists of three modules of extensive study of Florida's primary habitats. After completing the program, participants are required to share the knowledge they have learned. Most give back many more hours than what is required, for these folks have a love of learning and sharing. If you are interested in becoming a Florida Master Naturalist, classes start with the Coastal module in November-December. This will allow students who participated in the 2012-2013 offerings to complete their certification. The Uplands module will be offered January-February and the Wetlands March-April. Additionally there are special topic courses offered on Environmental Interpretation, Conservation Science, Wildlife Monitoring and Habitat Evaluation. Information and registration can be found at <http://www.masternaturalist.ifas.ufl.edu/>.



American beautyberry is just coming into its fall splendor. The purple berries are relished by wildlife.



Red lichen on an oak tree trunk is surrounded by the heart-shaped leaves of air potato, an invasive plant. The park could benefit from some citizen TLC in removal of exotic species.



ARCADIAN PHOTOS BY AL SMOKE

Recent rains have left areas along the trail wet, and evidence of wild hog damage is found throughout the park. Though the paved trail was covered in water in some areas, we were able to walk in sneakers without getting our feet wet. Some of the non-paved areas may be impassable.

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DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	TIME	Us	Them
Aug. 23	Port Charlotte	Away	7:00p	15	19
Aug. 30	Lake Region	Away	7:00pm	18	19
Sept. 6	Lehigh Acres	Away	7:30pm		
Sept. 13	East Lee County	Home	7:00pm		
Sept. 20	Booker	Away	7:30pm		
Sept. 27	North Port	Home	7:00pm		

DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	TIME	Us	Them
Oct. 4	Bayshore	Home	7:00pm		
Oct. 11	Frostproof	Home	7:00pm		
Oct. 18	Southeast	Home	7:00pm		
Nov. 1	Hardee	Away	7:00pm		
Nov. 8	Braden River	Home	7:00pm		



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Dequan Richardson picks up 7 yards on this second quarter scamper around the left side.

Dawayne (Boo) Hearnis is pretty happy on the sidelines just after he stole the ball from the Lake Region running back to give the Bulldogs good field position.

Right down in the war zone with quarterback Kari Williams, running back Terrell Gordon and guard Stefan (Thumpa) Williams.

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