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DOG DAYS AT THE TURNER



Dog agility trials and several dog shows are on tap for the Turner this summer.

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County adjusts lightning policy

By STEVE BAUER

ARCADIAN ASSISTANT EDITOR

The DeSoto Board of County Commissioners made a slight adjustment to its lightning detection enforcement at Brewer Park, allowing the gates to the park to remain open in the future.

DeSoto County Youth Baseball's Nicole Adams complained that the lightning system's 10-mile detection radius has made practicing and playing league games on the fields difficult. She added the county's current policy of locking the park's gates until an all-clear is given prevents

parents from getting their children and creates a number of logistical headaches.

"The problem isn't when the lightning is actually visible or can be heard," she said. "We want to see the county use this system for what it is, a warning. I don't think people wrap their heads around how far 10 miles away is. This machine is being used as the authority (to force individuals out of the park) rather than what it is, a detection machine. And by locking the gates, you're forcing people to stay in the park against their will, and stranding children whose parents can't get in."

She said Parks and Recreation Director Tara Anderson told her a large number of detection alerts occur when the storms are within 8-10 miles. Adams said reducing the radius to eight miles or less would allow teams to stay on the fields. "If we can just bring the radius down to eight miles, it would save us from a lot of headaches," she said. "A lot of these summer storms stay put and rain themselves out, or they'll pop up at the eight-mile mark but are moving away from us. All the coaches and directors have the

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ARCADIAN PHOTO BY STEVE BAUER

State Rep. Ben Albritton (right) presents a tribute to former County Administrator Guy Maxcy's family during Tuesday's meeting. The tribute recognized Maxcy's love for his job and the dedication he had as both a Highlands County and DeSoto County administrator to serve to serve the residents of both counties.

Exploring the future of DeSoto Memorial Hospital

By STEVE BAUER

ARCADIAN ASSISTANT EDITOR

More than two dozen community leaders came together last Thursday for a roundtable discussion of DeSoto Memorial Hospital's financial struggles and the impact of providing free indigent care. The roundtable included representatives from a variety of government and private entities, representing DMH, The DeSoto County Department of Health, DeSoto Cares, city of Arcadia, DeSoto County Public Safety Department and several others. The event was hosted by *The Arcadian* and held at the DeSoto Chamber of Commerce, and was moderated by *Arcadian* Editor Susan Hoffman.

The discussion opened with DMH CEO Vince Sica describing the hospital's financial health, including the costs of providing indigent care through the facility's emergency room. Sica said the hospital provides roughly \$3 million annually in care to the uninsured/underinsured, which is not reimbursed by Medicare or Medicaid. "As a hospital that accepts Medicare/

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ARCADIAN PHOTO BY SUSAN E. HOFFMAN

The Arcadian gathered several people interested in DeSoto Memorial Hospital for a roundtable discussion last week at the DeSoto County Chamber of Commerce office. Discussion topics ranged from the proposed half-cent tax to DMH's search for a possible buyer. Turn to page 12 for details.

CORRECTION

A caption for a photo on page 12 in the June 19, 2014 issue of *The Arcadian* should have said, "Susie Coker, a veteran of the U.S. Air Force, watches the unfurling of Old Glory with her grandchildren Austin and Ava at the Flag Day Ceremony in Veterans Park in Arcadia on June 14."

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Local candidates confirmed

The Supervisor of Elections has confirmed the following slate of candidates who have qualified to run for local offices in the 2014 elections.

City Council (nonpartisan; at-large)

- three seats
- William B. Bailey
- Susan Coker
- Richard Fazzino
- Keith Keene (incumbent)
- Candace Reed
- Judy Wertz Strickland
- S. Delshay Turner
- Mitchell Watson

City Marshal (nonpartisan)

- Matt Anderson (incumbent)
- Clifton Brown
- Lorenzo Dixon

County School Board (nonpartisan):

- District 1**
- Roosevelt Johnson
- Daniel Via
- District 3**

Deborah Snyder (incumbent)

District 5

- Ronny Allen (incumbent)
- Maria Moreno

Board of County Commissioners:

District 2

- James "Mike" Hall - D
- Jim Selph - D (incumbent)
- Virginia Algar - R (write-in)

District 4

- Elton Langford - D (incumbent)
- Chris Stephens - D

The Arcadian will be hosting public forums for voters to meet the candidates. The first one will take place July 7 from 6-8 p.m. Watch future issues of *The Arcadian* for details.

For some important election dates, see this week's editorial on page 4.

Quave, Miller certified as commissioners

SUBMITTED By MIKE TABER
DeSoto County

The Florida Association of Counties presented DeSoto County Commissioner Gabriel Quave and DeSoto County Commissioner Bob Miller with the Certified County Commissioner designation following completion of a comprehensive study program developed by the association. Commissioners Quave and Miller received the designation with 41 other county commissioners during an awards ceremony held at the FAC Annual Conference in Orange County.



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DeSoto County Commissioners Gabriel Quave and Bob Miller earned their Certified County Commissioner designations from the Florida Association of Counties. With them are Dr. Nick Place, left, dean and director of UF/IFAS Extension, and Janet Taylor, Hendry County commissioner and chair of the Florida County Foundation.

CCC certification is not a requirement to serve as a county commissioner in Florida. However, county commissioners may voluntarily enroll in

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School district reaches out to migrant students

By SUSAN E. HOFFMAN
ARCADIAN EDITOR

The DeSoto County School Board, at its Tuesday meeting, learned about a new program implemented this summer to reach migrant children of preschool age and their families.

Dr. Rae Konjoian, Associate Director of Federal Projects, said the school district received grant funding for a new program

this summer to reach migrant children.

Often, she said, migrant children start out far behind their peers because they don't attend preschool programs. Also, they may not arrive in the area until months after the school year has started.

The new program made an effort to reach families of preschool-age children with a team of bilingual DeSoto teachers. Armed with an "excellent curriculum," the teachers brought popular books, such as

The Very Hungry Caterpillar, which came with lesson plans and hands-on activities the children could do. At the end of the lesson, the child get to keep the book.

"We spent 90 minutes a day with each child in the program," Konjoian said, "and often we were able to engage the siblings and parents as well."

The activities integrated language lessons, phonics, math, science and social studies. Children modeled Play-Doh and

drew numbers or letters; they played with magnets and they made puppets. The program lasted for four weeks.

At first, Konjoian said, the children and parents were shy and not easy to engage, but by the end of the program the families were participating actively and looking forward to the visits.

"We saw parents participating in

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HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE SHED CLEANOUT

THE DESOTO COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES DIVISION WILL BE HOLDING A HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION DAY.

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Parade, fireworks highlight 4th events

STAFF REPORT

The Annual Independence Day Parade starts at 10 a.m. on July 4 in downtown Arcadia. Lineup for parade participants begins at 9 a.m. at the corner of West Oak St. and Orange Ave. This year the parade is sponsored by the Arcadia Moose Lodge #1327.

All kinds of entries are welcome,

including floats, marching units, vehicles, horses, and profit and nonprofit organizations. There is no entry fee but entrants must register in advance. For details, email Jackie Tucker at t2000@desoto.net, or call 863-993-0083.

Trophies will be awarded to the best entries in each category. Jackie Tucker and Ronald Neads are cochairmen of the parade.

Gates at the Turner Agri-Civic Center open at 6 a.m. July 4 for the annual Fourth of July Fireworks. Both the fireworks display and parking are free, and restrooms will be open for the public's use.

Pack up the kids, bring your lawn chairs or blankets, picnic supplies and mosquito repellent, for the fireworks display which begins at dark (around 9 p.m.).



ARCADIAN FILE PHOTO BY JOHN BLACK
This composite image shows fireworks from last year's display at the Turner Agri-Civic Center. This year's fireworks takes place July 4 starting at 9 a.m.

APD officers serve free lunch to kids

STAFF REPORT

Arcadia Police Department's Matt Anderson and Kevin Joens made a surprise visit to the Arcadia Housing Authority Tuesday to serve free lunch to children participating in the Summer Break Spot program.

The program provides



Arcadia Police Department Marshal Matt Anderson stopped by the Arcadia Housing Authority recently to serve lunch to children participating in the Summer Break Spot. The program provides free lunch to kids ages 18 and under.

free lunch to kids 18 and under Monday-Thursday, and besides the Housing Authority other sites include Nocatee Elementary and Trinity United Methodist Church. Hours are 11 a.m. - 12 p.m. at the AHA and Nocatee, and 12 p.m.-1

p.m. at Trinity United. The program runs through Aug. 7. For more information or for other free food program locations and hours, call the All Faiths Food Bank at 941-379-6333 or visit www.allfaithfoodbanks.org.



PHOTOS PROVIDED

Arcadia Police Department's Kevin Joens chatted with children eating lunch at the Arcadia Housing Authority. He and Marshal Matt Anderson stopped by Tuesday to help serve lunch to kids participating in the Summer Break Spot program.

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7 Day Adventist Church 2865 SE Ami Drive	Thursday 9 am-1 pm Jun 19, Jul 17, Aug 21
Mt. Olive CME 7683 SW Hull Ave	Thursday 10 am-12 pm Jun 26, Jul 24, Aug 28
DeSoto Homeless Center 1425 ML King Jr St	Thursday 10 am-12 pm Jun 5, Jul 3, Aug 7
Elizabeth Baptist Church 101 S Orange Ave	Thursday 5-7 pm Jun 12, Jul 10, Aug 14
Nocatee Elementary 4846 SW Shores Ave	Tuesday 4-6 pm Jun 24, Jul 8 & 22, Aug 5

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Free fresh produce for students and families

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OUR VIEW

It's up to you

Our view: Vote this year, or forever hold your peace.

Now that the slate of candidates has been released, it's time for voters to start doing their homework.

As of Friday, all those who plan to run for one of the available county or city offices had to have qualified for the office of their choice. We have an interesting selection of candidates, including eight who are running for city council and three for marshal (a full list of candidates for each office is available on page 3).

Over the next several weeks, *The Arcadian* will be interviewing the candidates and giving you information on their backgrounds, their experience and their goals if elected. We also plan to arrange some public forums where the candidates can explain their intentions, and we can then pose questions to them.

We hope that, by the city moving its elections to coincide with county, state and national races, voter turnout will be better than it has been in years past. According to the Supervisor of Elections, in the last city council race, out of 3,658 registered voters in the city, only 264 bothered to cast votes. That equates to a pathetic voter turnout of only 7 percent.

Let that sink in — 7 percent.

The difference between one candidate who won (with 128 votes) and the next-highest candidate (with 121 votes) was a mere seven votes.

Turnout should be better this year, and *The Arcadian* is working to help you get to know each of the candidates. We'll be running campaign stories and special inserts about the elections, we'll be reminding you of important deadlines, and we'll be giving you the opportunity to see, meet and question the candidates in person. We want to ensure you are well informed and ready to make what you believe are the best choices for Arcadia and DeSoto County.

Key election dates

To get you in the electoral mood, here are a few key dates you might want to jot down on your calendar:

- July 28 is the deadline to register to vote in order to take part in the primary election in August.
- October 6 is the deadline to register to vote in order to take part in the general election in November.
- The primary election is August 26. Don't skip the primary because several local races will be decided during this time: School Board Districts 1, 3 and 5, and Board of County Commissioners District 4.
- Early voting for the primary will take place August 11 through August 23. If for any reason you might not make it to the polls on August 26, by all means take advantage of early voting — they even have Saturday voting for your convenience.
- Even easier is the option for absentee voting. You can request an absentee ballot by mail, by phone or in person. Just remember that for overseas voters, your absentee vote must be mailed 45 days before the primary — by July 12. For domestic voters, mail your vote early enough to make sure it is received at the Supervisor of Elections office no later than election day.
- The general election is Nov. 4. The city races — including the City Marshal and three City Council seats — will be decided then, along with County Commissioner District 2. (The Democratic party candidate for District 2 will be chosen during the primary, but will be running against a Republican write-in candidate in the general election.)

- To vote in the general election, you must register by Oct. 6.
- Early voting for the November general election will run Oct. 25 through Nov. 1. Absentee ballots for overseas voters must be sent by Oct. 7. For local absentee voters, ballots must be received at the

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

'We have met the enemy and he is us'

Editor:

In conversations with local residents, I hear the same complaints about the city and they have the common thread.

Complaints are about taxes, cost of services and the general conditions of the city.

Almost every city department has a new supervisor with little training or experience in that department. I can't blame or criticize them; they are doing the best they can.

The fault lies with the person who placed them in that position — the City Administrator — however, it's not totally his fault either. The City Administrator, like the people he hired or promoted, is doing the best he can, but he also has little experience in that position.

Actually, those responsible are the elected officials serving on the Arcadia City Council. Three council members hired Mr. Slaughter over applicants who were qualified with many years experience in that position.

So when something isn't right or

costs too much, don't get mad at the city employees; they're doing their best.

If you want to get mad, look in the mirror and get really mad because you and your neighbor elected this council by not voting. From the Supervisor of Elections office, only 264 out of approximately 3,600 registered voters cast ballots at the last city election.

Please participate in the upcoming election, make informed choices and begin to improve our community.

Gary Frierson
Arcadia

GRITS & PIECES

How I spent my summer vacation (and savings)

For those of you who are like me and have a jukebox of old songs in your head that plays a tune every time you're reminded of one by anything you see, hear, touch, taste, or smell, cue up Johnny Horton's "North to Alaska."

The Land of the Midnight Sun should be on everyone's bucket list as a vacation destination, whether by cruise ship or inland travel, and I've yet to find anybody who regrets going there. This was my third trip there and I hope to see it at least one more time before they hang the toe tag on me.

With a group of close to 30 that included family and friends, we invaded America's 49th state — one of two that I'm older than — and had the time of our lives. It is all you'd imagine it to be. And then some. And though you can take photos of



Grits & Pieces

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everything around you, they'll never do it justice. Words like grandeur and majesty don't even come close to describing it, because it's more than the mind can begin to process.

If you've done the cruising thing, you know the routine — eat, get involved in activities, eat, take onshore excursions, eat, try to avoid cruise ship paparazzi, eat, sleep very little, eat, lounge around, eat, shop, eat, wear out your camera, and eat. Oh yeah, did I mention eat? I believe

some passengers on the ship who saw me feasting counted it as a free whale-watching excursion.

Our large party split up into various groups and set off on such adventures as going up in Seattle's Space Needle, white water rafting, zip lining, helicopter rides that landed on glaciers, salmon bakes, botanical garden tours, canoeing, train travel, riding cable trams up steep mountainsides, and whale watching (the swimming variety, not the buffet feeders like me). Between us, we saw snow-capped mountains, whales, eagles, seals, totem poles, unending seascapes, glaciers, seaplanes, and even two couples from Arcadia — Tommy and Sandy Peterson, and Tommy and Ellen Walters!

I think what was most interesting

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Turner Center going to the dogs

By **SUSAN E. HOFFMAN**
ARCADIAN EDITOR

The first of three Calusa AKC Dog Agility Shows this year was held at the Turner Agri-Civic Center last weekend. Dog agility events involve obstacle courses that are set to different sizes, for different sized dogs, from the smallest Chihuahuas to the biggest Great Danes.

The agility courses may involve a combination of ramps, jumps, seesaws, tunnels and hoops arranged around the show ring, through which the owner or handler must direct the dog in order. Before each event, you'll see the handlers walking around the course, committing to memory the correct order of the obstacles, so they can then



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Family Album

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

Happy anniversary



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On Thursday, July 3, "Pete" and Jane Powers are celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary with an open house at Pine Creek Chapel (Rt. 72 & Chapel Drive) from 4 p.m.-7 p.m. No gifts, just your presence to stop by, pray with them and have light refreshments. An RSVP would be helpful — 863-494-1679. They were married in Salem, NJ where they lived, worked and raised their only son until moving to Arcadia in 1994. Frank III lives in Kentucky and he and Tricia have two children and one grandson.

Happy anniversary



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Happy 55th wedding anniversary to Donna and Larry Creel on June 27.

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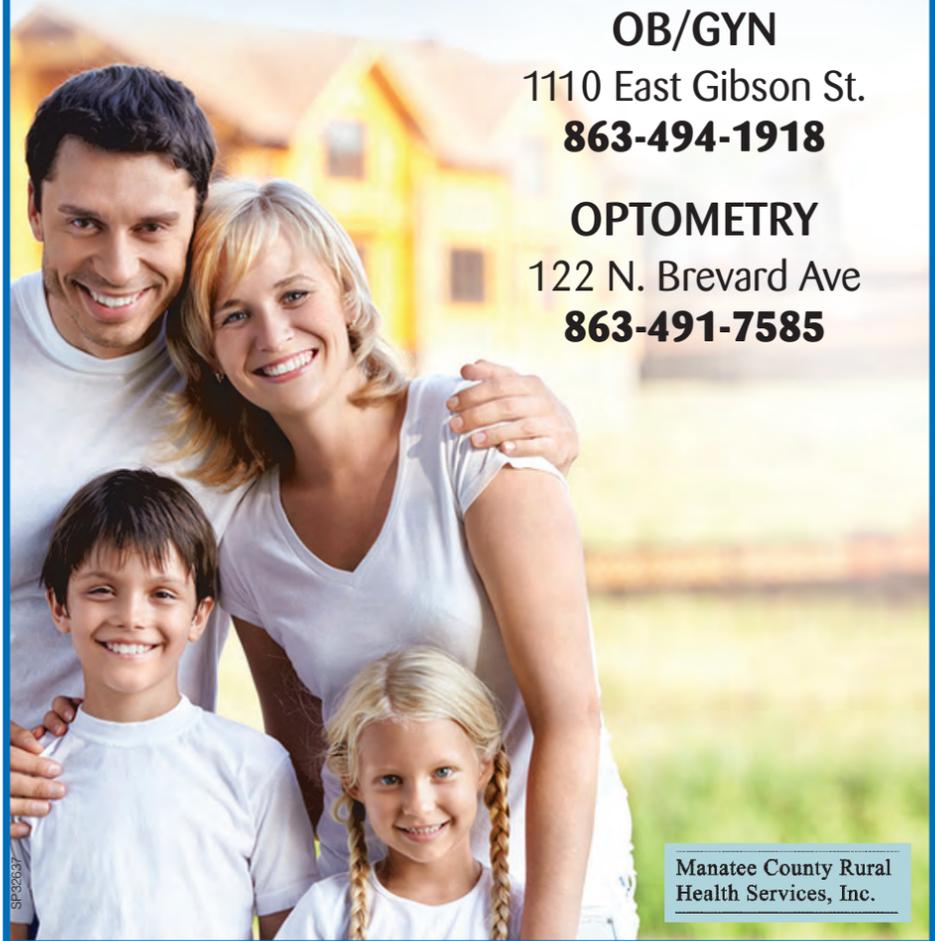
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- Relay for Life Area Wide Committee Rally - 6-7:30 p.m. June 26 at Board of Realtors Office, 3320 Loveland Blvd., Port Charlotte. An evening of inspiration motivation and emotion that inspires attendees to learn more about American Cancer Society and the Relay for Life. REVP to ACS offices, 239-936-1113.
- Caregiver support group meets at 1:30 p.m. at DeSoto Memorial Home Health Care at DeSoto Memorial Hospital Medical Plaza, 1006 N. Mills Ave., Arcadia. For more information, call DeSoto Memorial Home Health Care at 494-8432 or Hospice of Southwest Florida at 993-0662.
- The Family Safety Alliance meeting for DeSoto, Manatee and Sarasota counties is held the fourth Thursday of every month at 4 p.m. at the McClure Center, 4215 Concept Court, Lakewood Ranch. For information, call 941-316-6009.
- DeSoto County Historical Society Research Library is open in the Ingraham Seed House, 120 W. Whidden Street: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Thursdays (except for the second Thursday of the month), and by appointment.
- The John Morgan Ingraham House is open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Thursdays, except the second Thursday, and from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the second Saturday of the month.
- Relaxation Yoga Class every Thursday, 5 p.m.-5:15 p.m., registration and yoga tea; 5:15-6:15 p.m., yoga class. Held in the Health Dept. conference room, 34 S. Baldwin Ave. Drop-in \$7/class, 8-class package \$40 (\$5 per class). For more info, 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.
- 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.

FRIDAY

- On the second and fourth Friday of each month from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., at Arcadia Housing Authority's north side parking lot, a truck will bring free fruits and vegetables to low-income clients in Arcadia/DeSoto County. Three to five volunteers are needed each time. If you are interested in helping, call AHA at 494-4343.
- Arcadia Quilt Club meets from 9-11:30 a.m. Fridays at the Palace Dance Hall, 1627 N.E. Floridian Circle, Arcadia.
- Square Dancing classes are held at the Palace Square Dance Hall, 1627 N.E. Floridian Circle, from 7-9 p.m. every Friday. Robert at 813-601-1834 or Mary at 941-380-5336 494-2749 for information.
- 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.
- Sabbath service begins at 7:30 p.m. at Temple Beth El, 3840 S. Biscayne Dr., North Port. Oneg Shabbat follows.

SATURDAY

- McDonald's Grand Re-Opening Celebration, 11 a.m. June 28, 1203 WE. Oak St.
- The Antique Fair takes place in downtown Arcadia on the fourth Saturday of every month starting at 8 a.m. Dozens of dealers line the sidewalks on and around West Oak St. For information, visit www.ArcadiaFLantiques.com; to inquire about booth space, call 993-5105.
- The NAACP meets at 6 p.m. every fourth Saturday of the month at Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church, 319 S. Lee Ave.
- Fit DeSoto meets the fourth Saturday of the month for a free exercise class and run/walk at Morgan Park. High energy and fun! Arrive by 10 a.m. in workout clothes, running shoes with a towel and water. Children must be accompanied by an adult.
- DeSoto County Library story time is at 10:30 a.m. at 125 N. Hillsborough Ave., Arcadia. Call 993-4851 for more information.

SUNDAY

- Telephone Reassurance and Friendly Visitors available to those over 55 and homebound. Call Senior Friendship Centers at 494-5965.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS

- Trinity United Methodist Church invites children to gear up at a Workshop of Wonders Imagine and Build with God VBS. Explore and experience how the ordinary becomes extraordinary with God. From 9 a.m. to noon July 7-11. Adventures include music that will wow your ears, interactive Bible fun, super science, cool crafts, snacks, games and more. Register at the church office, 304 W. Oak St.

MONDAY

- 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.
- 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.

TUESDAY

- Arcadia City Council meets at 6 p.m. at the Margaret Way Building, 23 N. Polk 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.
- Faith Mission provides free lunches for anyone in need, at 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. 1109 S.E. 9th St. 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, starting Nov. 12, at the Speer Center, U.S. Highway 17 North, Arcadia. For information, contact Bill or Mary Morse at 207-418-4687.
- Prescription Assistance is at the DeSoto County Health Department Clinic Location: 1031 E. Oak St., Arcadia. Call to make an appointment or for more information, call 491-7580 ext. 256.
- 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

- DeSoto County Homeless Coalition Mobile Pantry is on the first and third Wednesday of each month at the Smith Brown Gym starting at 9 a.m. until the food is gone. The only requirement is to be a DeSoto County resident. Sponsored by the All Faiths Food bank of Sarasota.
- The AA Serenity Group Business Meeting is held at 7:15 p.m. on the first Wednesday of the month at Grace Lutheran Church, 1004 W. Oak St.
- The Arcadia Writers Group meets from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. the first and third Wednesday of each month at the Arcadia Village Clubhouse. For more information, call Sarah Hollenhorst at 244-1663.
- The Retired Law Enforcement Association of Southwest Florida meets first Wednesday monthly at the Fraternal Order of Police Hall, 23300 Harper Ave., Port Charlotte. Dinner is at 6:30 p.m.; meeting is at 7:30 p.m. For information, call 941-423-0902.
- 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 Wednesday at 11 a.m. at Trinity United Methodist

SPECIAL

- The DeSoto County Library is holding a "Summer Fun" photo contest. Print your photo — either 4 x 6 or 5 x 7, vertical or horizontal — mount it on cardboard or foam core (no border). One free entry per person; additional entries \$1 each. Bring your photo to the library by July 12, fill out and attach label. Works will be displayed and the public can vote for their favorites through Aug. 14. Reception is at 5 p.m. August 15. Pick up photos by August 23. Four age groups: pre-K and elementary; middle school; high school; adult. No prizes, just bragging rights. Proceeds benefit DeSoto Co. Library Assoc.
- The DeSoto County Library is holding an "Itty Bitty Art" contest. Works will be displayed and the public can vote through July 10. A public reception will be held at 5 p.m. July 11. Pick up art by July 19. Four age groups: pre-K and elementary; middle school; high school; adult. No prizes, just bragging rights. Proceeds benefit DeSoto Co. Library Assoc.
- All Faiths Food Bank is looking for volunteers for its new mobile pantry distributions in Arcadia. Call Fran Talley to volunteer at 941-379-6333 ext. 156. Mobile pantries will be at the Arcadia Housing Authority and Nocatee Elementary School. See the June 5 Arcadian for times and dates at each location.

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.
- Prescription Assistance is at the DeSoto County Health Department Clinic Location: 1031 E. Oak St., Arcadia. Call to make an appointment or for more information, call 491-7580 ext. 256.

THURSDAY

- 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.
- DeSoto Cares, a community group dedicated to searching out homelessness needs and solutions, meets on the first and third Thursday at 5:15 p.m. at the Housing Authority Conference Room. For details, call Rev. Ted Hanus at 993-3435.
- No Early Bird for the Chamber of Commerce on July 3.
- The 4-H Stitch in Time sewing club meets every first Thursday at 5 p.m.

COMING EVENTS

- The annual Independence Day Parade begins at 10 a.m. July 4. (Lineup for entrants is 9 a.m. at W. Oak St. and S. Orange Ave.) Entries include the following categories: Float, Marching Unit, Vehicle, Horse, Unit and Commercial and Non-Profit. For details call Jackie Tucker at 993-0083 or email t2000@desoto.net. Sponsored by the Arcadia Moose Lodge #1327.
- For DeSoto County residents, there is no trash pickup on Friday, July 4 in observance of Independence Day. Friday customers' next pickup will be on Tuesday, July 8.
- Fireworks take place at dark (around 9 p.m. to 10 p.m.) at the Turner Center. Free admission. Bring a blanket, lawn chairs and some bug repellent.

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The DeSoto County Board of County Commissioners is actively seeking members for the DeSoto County Tourist Development Council (TDC). The TDC is established by Ordinance by the Board of County Commissioners and consists of nine (9) members appointed by the DeSoto County Board of County Commissioners.

Requirements

• Interested party who is involved in the tourism industry and who has a demonstrated interest in tourist development, or is the owner or operator of motels, hotels, recreational vehicle parks, or other tourist accommodations in the county and subject to the Tourist Development Tax under the authority of Florida Statute 125.0104.

All appointed members will be required to comply with conflict of interest provisions and all applicable provisions of Chapter 112, Florida Statutes.

Please submit a brief biography, a letter of interest and contact information to the DeSoto County Board of County Commissioners, c/o Economic Development Department, 201 E. Oak Street, Suite 201, Arcadia, FL 34266 or via email to m.taber@desotobocc.com. Please clearly mark Tourist Development Council on the envelop or email subject line.

Submissions will be accepted through Friday, July 18, 2014 at 5:00 PM.

Peddler's Boutique: Southern grace and charm

By **CRAIG GARRETT**
ARCADIAN CORRESPONDENT

If the goal in life is family and making a community a better place, Pam Ames and Linda Williams are living the dream. And it's the customers at the Arcadia-based Peddler's Boutique who benefit.

The mother/daughter duo have created a popular women's shop that is intimate and fun, offering a smart selection in jewelry, home décor, clothing and accessories that are mostly available only in coastal Florida or in larger central cities.

But in the heart of downtown Arcadia at 25 W. Oak is a shop that is uniquely southern, different and special.

"I think we stand out," said Pam Ames, the daughter, "because we have good relations with our customers, our city, our downtown. We are constantly seeking out new items, new things that people want. We're just having a great time."

Pam and Linda opened Peddler's Boutique in May 2001, starting as gift/gift basket shop. The product line expanded to clothing and accessories. As business and their reputation grew, the women began searching for newer items to offer their customers. They travel to the sprawling AmericasMart in Atlanta, one of the world's largest wholesale trade centers, to expand the shop's apparel and accessory inventory

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ARCADIAN PHOTOS BY TAMI JEWELL

Pam Ames and Linda Williams go to great lengths to offer their customers items usually only found in the larger coastal cities. They feature such specialties as Brighton jewelry, Lindsay Phillips, and Vera Bradley lines.

PEDDLER'S BOUTIQUE AT A GLANCE:

Owners Pam Ames/Linda Williams
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Jerry Waters speaks to members and guests about bird photography.

PHOTO PROVIDED BY JAMIE PIPHER

Garden Club ends season with Florida Master Naturalist, Jerry Waters

By **JAMIE PIPHER**
ARCADIA GARDEN CLUB

The last Garden Club meeting for this season was held at the Arcadia Garden Club on June 2 with Jerry Waters conducting the educational and inspiring program. Waters, a retired biology teacher and bivocational Baptist pastor, a Florida Master Naturalist and a nature photographer, brought his broad skills together and presented to the group a natural history of the great blue heron, a video of God's gifts of birds, and hints on where and how to take our own motivating photo shots of nature's creatures.

"The Great Blue Heron is a magnificent bird and a real symbol of Florida,"

Waters said. Florida has every type of wading bird found in North America which includes egrets, flamingos, ibises, spoonbills and storks as well as the herons. There are six types of herons in North America ranging from the little green heron to the great blue heron. The great blue is the most abundant and widespread with rare sightings being recorded in Spain, England and the Netherlands as well as large populations in Central America, the Caribbean and North America. There is a great white morph heron found only in the Caribbean, Florida Keys, and the Everglades.

Waters presented a large array of

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Scott signs bill for payment to Richardson

By **SUSAN E. HOFFMAN**
ARCADIAN EDITOR

On Friday, Gov. Rick Scott signed a bill authorizing the state of Florida to pay James Joseph Richardson \$1.2 million for having spent more than 20 years in prison after being wrongly convicted of killing his child in Arcadia.

A Senate bill (SB-326) had been introduced by Sen. Geraldine Thompson of Orange County, and House Bill 227 was sponsored by Rep. Dave Kerner of Lake Worth. Ultimately the bill was unanimously passed by both the House (116 to 0) and Senate (38 to 0) on May 2.

The payment is compensation for Richardson's wrongful conviction, which was unveiled following an investigation headed by then State's Attorney Janet Reno.

Richardson, a poor black field worker, and his wife lived in Arcadia in 1967 when seven of their children became sick at school and later died from eating parathion, a deadly pesticide.



ARCADIAN PHOTOS BY SUSAN E. HOFFMAN

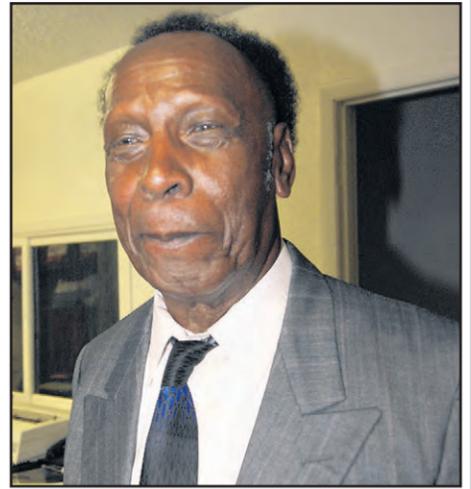
State Sen. Geraldine Thompson of Orange County, left, met James Richardson in person last October in Arcadia. Thompson introduced a bill, SB-326, a companion to House Bill 227, which authorized payment of more than \$1 million to Richardson for his wrongful imprisonment.

Richardson was tried and convicted in 1968 of murdering one of the children and given a death sentence, which was

commuted to a life term after the death penalty was declared unconstitutional. He spent more than 20 years in prison until several irregularities were discovered about his hasty trial, including evidence that was withheld from him and questionable testimony. After being released from prison, Richardson eventually moved to Kansas.

Richardson attempted to collect a payment under an earlier version of the victim compensation law but was barred because the law, as written, required a victim to prove himself innocent. While such proof may be possible where DNA evidence is available, such evidence was not available in Richardson's case. A former caretaker and neighbor later confessed on her deathbed to having been responsible for the children's deaths, but her testimony was never verified.

Richardson returned to Arcadia for a visit last October at the invitation of Dr. Sharon Goodman. At that time he had the chance to meet Thompson and



James Richardson is now eligible to seek \$1.2 million from the state of Florida as compensation for his wrongful imprisonment for more than 20 years.

Kerner, who drafted the bills to compensate him. A church service was held in his honor and he was given the keys to the city.

The DeSoto County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests:

- David Joseph Chambers, 19, Brown Road, Arcadia. Charge: dealing in stolen property. Bond: \$1,000.
- Raymond Ashley Coleman, 41, 1200 block of S.E. Esmeralda Drive, Arcadia. Charges: sale of methamphetamine within 1,000 ft. of specified area and possession or use of drug equipment. Bond: \$20,120.
- David Arthur Gonzales, 39, 700 block of N. Lee St., Arcadia. Charge: violation of probation. Bond: none.
- Floyd David Johnson, 63, 2800 block of S.E. Joshua Estates St., Arcadia. Charges: four counts of lewd and lascivious behavior with victim under 12, three counts of lewd and lascivious behavior with victim under 16, and sexual assault with victim under 12, all with offender over 18. Bond: none.
- John Lester Lowe, 61, 6100 block of S.W. Sable Ave., Arcadia. Charge: giving false ownership information to pawn shop for item under \$300. Bond: \$1,500.
- Dawn Rae McMannis, 43, U.S. Highway 17, Arcadia. Charges: petty theft and resisting recovery of stolen property. Bond: \$620.
- Russell Wade Muse, 41, 2900 block of N.E. Ouray Drive, Arcadia. Charges: possession of a weapon or ammunition by convicted felon, affray and resisting an officer with violence. Bond: \$6,120.
- Brandon David Noren, 43, 10900 block of S.W. County Road 761, Arcadia. Charge: violation of probation. Bond: none.
- Francisco Santiz Perez, 43, 1200 block of S.E. 7th Ave., Arcadia. Charges:

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.

two counts of child neglect without great harm. Bond: \$10,000.

- Rosa Velasquez Perez, 37, 1200 block of S.E. 7th Ave., Arcadia. Charges: aggravated battery on child and child neglect without great harm. Bond: \$15,000
- Hamen Mathew Pettyjohn, 38, 2900 block of N.E. Ouray Drive, Arcadia. Charge: affray. Bond: none.
- Carl Bernard Redding, 37, 300 block of Watson St., Arcadia. Charge: sexual assault by person over 24 with victim age 16-17. Bond: none.
- Timothy Mark Sauvey, 45, 2300 block of S.W. Westward Road, Arcadia. Charge: battery. Bond: \$2,500.
- Garomy Keron Golloman, 23, 900 block of Spring Ave., Arcadia. Charge: resisting an officer without violence. Bond: \$1,000.
- Justin Phillip Koch, 26, 1500 block of S.W. Mariposa Drive, Arcadia. Charge: DUI with alcohol or drugs. Bond: \$500.
- Shaylin Kristopher McKenzie, 22, 1100 block of N.W. Arcadia Ave., Arcadia. Charge: failure to appear. Bond: \$5,000.
- Jan Eric Morel, 49, 3800 block of N.W. Valencia St., Arcadia. Charges: sale of cocaine and possession or use of drug equipment. Bond: \$5,120.
- Philip Eugene Nazzaro, 53, 300 block of W. Oak St., Arcadia. Charge: DUI with alcohol or drugs. Bond: \$500.
- Julia Barrera Pineda, 27, 500 block

of Clark Lane, Arcadia. Charge: driving while license is suspended, third or subsequent offense. Bond: \$1,500.

- Joseph Michael Quininez, 56, 400 block of N. Volusia Ave., Arcadia. Charge: petty theft. Bond: \$120.
- Laura Ann Thigpen, 42, 3500 block of S.W. U.S. Highway 17, Arcadia. Charges: sale of methamphetamine and possession or use of drug equipment. Bond: \$5,120.
- Gary George Tuttle, 50, Hollywood, Fla. Charge: battery. Bond: \$2,500.
- Joshua Aaron Bennett, 29, 4000 block of S.W. Adventure Way, Arcadia. Charges: driving while license is suspended, failure to register motor vehicle and violation of probation. Bond: none.
- Rashad Devon Bessent, 28, Wauchula. Charge: violation of probation. Bond: none.
- Ivorynia Tamika Bryant, 34, Fort Myers. Charge: out-of-county warrant. Bond: none.
- Emil Jeovammy Escobar, 34, West Palm Beach. Charge: failure to appear. Bond: \$5,000.
- Trevor Steve Mathews, 26, North Port. Charge: violation of probation. Bond: none.
- John Lewis Sorrells, 52, 1300 block of S.W. U.S. Hwy. 17, Arcadia. Charges: battery and kidnap or false imprisonment. Bond: none.
- Trevor Jon Baker Jr., 21, Port Charlotte. Charges: molesting a blue crab trap line or buoy without consent and removing contents of blue crab trap without consent. Bond: \$1,620.
- James Landon Hendrickson, 36, Punta Gorda. Charges: molesting a blue

crab trap line or buoy without consent and removing contents of blue crab trap without consent. Bond: \$1,620.

- Sean Eugene Crowley, 46, Punta Gorda. Charge: violation of probation. Bond: none.
- Angel Ernesto Rodriguez, 32, Port Charlotte. Charge: violation of probation. Bond: none.
- Michael Anthony Cross, 30, 700 block of Oak St., Arcadia. Charges: four counts of giving false information to pawn shop for value under \$300, three counts of dealing in stolen property, five counts of possession of a weapon or ammunition by a convicted felon and one count of exploitation of the elderly for under \$20,000. Bond: none.
- Margarita Mondragon, 25, 6100 block of N.E. Roan St., Arcadia. Charge: petty theft. Bond: \$120.

The Charlotte County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests:

- Heath Lynn Fuhlman, 44, 2700 block of N.W. Eucalyptus Ave., Arcadia. Charge: failure to appear. Bond: none.
- Anthony Fitzgerald Wallace Jr., 25, 5800 block of S.W. Highway 17, Arcadia. Charges: possession of marijuana with intent to sell and possession or use of drug equipment. Bond: \$7,500.
- Jessica Nicole Guevara, 30, 3200 block of N.E. McIntyre St., Arcadia. Charge: petty theft, second offense. Bond: \$2,500.
- Alejandra Sanchez-Mora Nava, 28, 1300 block of N.E. Oak St., Arcadia. Charge: driving without a valid license. Bond: \$1,000.

—Compiled by Susan E. Hoffman

Arcadian bail company on call 24 hours a day

By **CRAIG GARRETT**
ARCADIAN CORRESPONDENT

We complain about law enforcement and bail bondsmen. Until we need them.

That's when Bustin' Out BailBonds steps up – 24 hours a day. The Arcadia company is so busy, in fact, that owner Andrea Bohannon estimates she has put 40,000 miles on her vehicle in the last nine months, driving to five counties and countless towns to meet the demands of her business: House calls, immediate release, online processing, warrant information and making sure that her clients are up on court dates and other details to get their lives in order.

It's hard to keep up with Bohannon. Her staff keeps in contact by cell phone, shrugging with a smile if she's running a few minutes behind making it to the

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office. An office worker attacks a stack of documents that must be signed and forwarded to a client or the courthouse. The worker is reverent in speaking of her boss's ability to manage so many issues.

People poke their heads in the N. Brevard office, mostly with questions about pending court dates. One such man seems wary, having posted several hundred dollars yet not sure if he would make his court date. Bohannon urges the man, details his choices, his obligations.

She settles the matter, jumps in her SUV and zooms off to handle other issues.

And there's a lot at stake, especially in the subculture of law enforcement. Suppose a man commits a driving offense. He must post a bond to gain release. The amount is to guarantee that he returns for a court hearing. Say the bond is \$5,000. The man must post a minimum 10 percent, which he pays to a bonding company like Bustin' Out. The amount is nonrefundable, but Bohannon by state law must pay a percentage of that to an insurer, and the balance of the \$500 to cover her costs, which includes being on the hook for the \$4,500 balance should the client elect to not show for the court hearing. Ninety-nine percent, however, make the court date, she said, because they want to fix the problem. Most people making a mistake want to move on, she said.

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OBITUARIES

Ellen Mae Galloway

Ellen Mae Galloway, 74, passed away Monday, June 16, 2014, at her home in Arcadia, Fla., surrounded by her loving family. Arrangements are by Ponger-Kays-Grady Funeral Homes.

Eva Clara Havens

Eva Clara Havens of Arcadia, Fla., passed away Wednesday, June 18, 2014. Arrangements are by Ponger-Kays-Grady Funeral Home, Arcadia.

Virlie Alouise Harrell Salsberry

Virlie "Alouise" Harrell Salsberry, 92, of DeSoto, Fla., passed away Friday, June 20, 2014, in Lakewood Ranch, Fla. She was born Oct. 26, 1921, in Ft. Myers, Fla., moving to DeSoto County as a young girl.

Alouise retired from the G. Pierce Wood Memorial Hospital as a telephone operator. She enjoyed camping, traveling to the mountains, crocheting, and most of all, spending quality time with her family. Alouise was of the Church of God faith, attending both the Arcadia Church of God and Sandy Baptist Church, Sandy, Fla.

Survivors are her son, George Robert (Diana) Harrell; two daughters, Alice Fay (Doyle) Williams, and Gail M. (D. W. "Buster") Hughes; 12 grandchildren, Debbie (Dwayne) Darty, Becky (David) Israel, Janet L. (Tim) Westberry, Phillip L. (Lisa) Williams, Kimberly (Mike) Borzeka, Danny (Dawn) Albritton, Vicki Kersey, Mark (Connie) Albritton, Donnie Hughes, Joshua (Aimee) Hughes, Brent Hughes, and Ashley (Vincent) Derheim; 30 great-grandchildren; seven great-great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren on the way. She leaves a host of other relatives and friends to mourn her passing. Alouise is preceded in death by her two beloved husbands, George E. Harrell (1969) and Donald Reed Salsberry (1996); her parents, Stephen O. and Alice (nee Mathis) Sloan Sr.; a baby son, Dale Mitchell; a daughter, Rose Marie Albritton; and a granddaughter, Karen Wiggins.

Visitation was Monday June 23, 2014, from the chapel of Ponger-Kays-Grady Funeral Home, Arcadia, Fla. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, June 24, 2014, at the chapel of Ponger-Kays-Grady Funeral Home, with Bishop Doyle Williams and Bishop Phillip Williams officiating. The Rev. Larry Albritton and the Rev. Mark Albritton conducted graveside committal services at Joshua Creek Cemetery. Online condolences may be made at pongerkaysgrady.com.

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

Doris Jean Rackeweg

Doris Jean Rackeweg, 88, passed away peacefully Sunday, June 22, 2014, in Arcadia, Fla.

She was born Nov. 29, 1925, in Pierceton, Ind., to Alva Ben and Jessie Olive (nee Kiefer) Rider of Pierceton, Ind.

She moved to Arcadia in 1970. Doris graduated from Pierceton High School, Class of 1943. Doris was a member of Order of Eastern Star and several lodges and clubs in both Indiana and Florida. She had a passion for dancing, sewing, reading, traveling, arts and crafts, and yard work.

Doris is survived by her three daughters, Brenda (Don) Bolin of Franklin, Tenn., Elaine (Ron) England of Laketon, Ind., and Gena (Ken) Legg of Springhill, Tenn., one son, Edwin (Louise) Rackeweg Jr., of Arcadia; sister, Ruth Horn of Pierceton; nine grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; three nieces;

Williams memorial



Perry Andrew "Andy" Williams
(Dec. 31, 1962—May 3, 2014)

A memorial service will be held Saturday, June 28, 2014 at 3 p.m. at Heritage Baptist Church, 27 N. Polk Ave., in Arcadia. Light refreshments served.

and four nephews. Doris was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Edwin C. Rackeweg Sr. in 1975; sister, Mildred Black; brother, Robert Rider; and her parents, Alva Ben and Jessie Olive Kiefer Rider.

Visitation was conducted Wednesday, June 25, 2014, at the Chapel of Ponger-Kays-Grady Funeral Home, 50 No. Hillsborough Ave., Arcadia. Funeral services were held at the Chapel with burial following in Oak Ridge Cemetery. Online condolences may be made at www.pongerkaysgrady.com

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

The family wishes to express their gratitude to the Arcadia Tidewell Hospice for making their mother's final journey peaceful.

Eugene W. Camara

Eugene W. Camara, 66, of Lake Suzy, Fla., passed away Saturday, June 21, 2014, at Fawcett Memorial Hospital in Port Charlotte, Fla.

He was born Dec. 5, 1947, in East Providence, R.I., to Walter and Frances Camara.

Eugene was a top salesman for ArmChem International Corp. for many years. He enjoyed life to the fullest, and was an avid jokester for those who knew him. He will be missed by his family and friends.

Eugene is survived by his wife, Kam; his son, Justin Camara of Concord, Calif.; and five grandchildren.

Visitation will be held from 1 p.m. until the funeral service at 2 p.m. Thursday, June 26, 2014, at Roberson Funeral Home, Port Charlotte Chapel. Interment will be held at a later date at Gates of Heaven Catholic Cemetery in East Providence. Friends may visit online at www.robersonfh.com to sign the memory book and extend condolences to the family.

Arrangements are by Roberson Funeral Home Port Charlotte Chapel.

Sally Ann Golding

Sally Ann Golding, 53, passed away Saturday, June 21, 2014, in Arcadia, Fla. Arrangements are by Ponger-Kays-Grady Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Arcadia.

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A thank-you note to remember

Taped to the door of our refrigerator, surrounded by pictures of great-grandchildren, a brief quote of business coach, Wanda Lo-scot, gives this good advice to all who pass by: "It takes about three minutes to write a thank-you note, fold it, stick it in an envelope and mail it, but the power of it is awesome." Fred Suffield agrees.

Fred had been sound asleep when he suddenly awoke to the sound of someone pounding on his door. Moments later he stood face to face with a half-frozen man who frantically told him that a train had become stalled in a snowstorm and that the passengers were in danger of freezing to death.

Lighting a lantern, Fred followed the messenger to the site of the stalled train and led the travelers to his house where they waited until the storm subsided and help came. Later, one of the passengers, named Kittie, sent a thank-you note to Fred. Surprised and



Roger Campbell

pleased, Fred answered the note from Kittie and then, over time, something noteworthy happened: Fred and Kittie fell in love and were married.

After their marriage, Fred and Kittie started attending a church in Ottawa, Canada, pastored by Rev. A.J. Shea. There they found faith, became more and more active in the church and finally embarked on a ministry of their own. One summer, while conducting services at a church in Westport, Ontario, they invited the teenage son of pastor and Mrs. Shea (named George Beverly) to spend a month with them

and one night they asked him to sing in one of the meetings.

Accompanied by Kittie at the piano, young George Beverly Shea attempted to sing but when his voice cracked on one of the high notes he sat down, embarrassed, and vowed he would never sing. But Kittie had a better idea: she suggested he simply sing in a lower key. He did and Kittie's coaching worked. George Beverly Shea later became Billy Graham's soloist and one of the favorite gospel singers of all time.

During their years together, Fred and Kittie wrote a song titled, "Little Is Much When God Is in It," a tune that was destined to be widely known.

Why did they choose this title? Perhaps they had been thinking about a Canadian blizzard that stopped a train and brought Kittie to Fred's little house. Maybe it was the memory of a little thank-you note that started communication between them, leading

to love and marriage.

Possibly it reminded them of a nervous teen who overcame embarrassment and surrendered his talent to God, enabling him to reach millions with his message.

Whatever the reason for the title Fred and Kittie chose for their common sense musical creation, it states a principle that will always be true: gifts, talents or time given to the Lord bring greater blessings than the giver could have imagined.

You may think your talents are small, or that you have none at all.

Give what you have to God and discover the song Fred and Kittie wrote is true.

And note this: The brief thank-you note Kittie wrote to Fred revealed she had a thankful heart and this discovery captured his. Then together they learned an important lesson: God often gives songs in the night, after the storms are through (Job 35:10).

What would you do if this happened?

In today's article, I am going to describe three very common situations that occur and that very often result in people becoming victims of scams or frauds. As you read them, ask yourself what you would do in these circumstances. The recommended courses of action are given at the end of the article, but don't cheat and peek!

In the first situation, you receive a letter in the mail from somewhere out of the country. In it, the sender claims



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but at a price far below the norm. All you need to do to take advantage of the offer is provide a credit card number as payment, but you must act quickly, as the offer is for a limited time only. You know the offer is a real bargain, so what should you do?

Finally, while reading through your e-mails, you note one that is from someone unfamiliar, but the subject of it excites your curiosity. Someone has died and left

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Lake Katherine renovation continues



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Sandhill Growers clear out invasive vegetation and prepare to plant native species around Lake Katherine. Future phases of the renovation by Team Arcadia include improved picnic and play areas.



Funded by a grant from Mosaic, Team Arcadia arranged for improvements to Lake Katherine and the surrounding park. Invasive plants were removed and are being replaced with native species. New signage will be placed soon.



New vegetation is ready to be planted along the margins of Lake Katherine as part of Team Arcadia's renovation of the park adjacent to the DeSoto County Health Department. A grant from Mosaic is helping to renovate the lake.



As part of the restoration of Lake Katherine being done by Team Arcadia, unwanted vegetation was removed from the lake and new native plants are being placed around the margins of the lake.

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you some money! What would you do?

While each of these situations is different, they do have some things in common and your response should be the same. In each one, the individual contacting you is only doing so in an attempt to obtain personal, sensitive financial information from you. If you provide that information, once you do, you will receive nothing from the criminal sender and your financial identity will have been compromised.

When contacted by anyone unknown to you who requests personal information, your reaction should be one of suspicion and you should provide nothing. If it is a letter, make a copy and take it to the local Postmaster. If it is an e-mail, report it to the Internet Crime Complaint Center, a consortium of government agencies dealing with Internet fraud. Their website is www.IC3.gov. If it is a phone call, hang up immediately.

If you find yourself in these, or any similar situations, take any supporting documentation you may have and bring it to the Sheriff's Office. Sheriff Wise and his staff need to know these things are happening to residents of DeSoto County.

The Communities Against Senior Exploitation Program is a partnership between the community and the DeSoto County Sheriff's Office to protect the financial resources of all our residents. To report any suspicious activity related to a scam or fraud or to learn more about the CASE program, call Sheriff Will Wise or Lt. Curt Mays at 863-993-4700; they will be happy to help you.

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Medicaid for payment, by law anyone who walks through the emergency department's doors must be seen by a medical professional," he said.

When asked how many individuals or families in the county are considered low income or "indigent," DOH Director Mary Kay Burns pointed to the 2014 DeSoto County Health Profile, defining the poverty level at \$14,600 for an individual, and \$32,575 for a household. Using those numbers, Burns said approximately 31 percent of DeSoto residents live below the poverty level.

She added, however, that the DeSoto DOH had only around \$5,000-\$6,000 in outstanding payments owed, and that those in need make every effort to pay if possible. "If they can pay us \$5, they will," she said. "We've found that when they see a value in medical service provided to them, they want to pay for it. I know both we and the hospital try very hard to work with our patients."

Sica was then asked whether an urgent care facility would help alleviate the number of indigent patients going to the hospital. He said often the emergency room is the only option. "Even if we had an urgent care facility, where are you going to go when something happens at 2 a.m.? Most likely urgent care won't be open, so the catch-all is still the ER," he said. He added the DOH has extended hours on the weekends, and DOH's Penny Kurtz said their facility has equipment and trained medical professionals who can handle many cases that would otherwise go directly to the ER. "Last year we had 19,000 visits for medical/dental services in our offices, but many don't realize we can treat many ailments that are typically considered ER-only situations. For example, we have a procedure room, and things like IV therapy for dehydration. Many just aren't aware we offer those services."

Sales tax impact

The discussion then focused on the 1/2-cent indigent care sales tax that could be placed on the ballot this fall if approved by the DeSoto Board of County Commissioners. When Hoffman asked if the sales tax would really be beneficial to the hospital when it is only projected to bring in revenues of approximately \$1 million, Sica was quick to respond. "Anything will be helpful,"

he said. In the same sentence, however, he also conceded the odds aren't in the hospital's favor when it comes to a vote. "Historically, DeSoto has been slow in approving a tax on themselves, so I'd say it's 50/50 at best that it gets passed," he said.

Former County Commissioner Ed Johnson said with the decline of the citrus industry in DeSoto, citizens will have a hard time stomaching another tax. "The way things are looking now, it might be another five years until citizens will be able to recover from the citrus decline," he said. "And that's if there was a silver bullet today that reversed the effects of greening; things are going to get

"This topic right here is more important than anything else we have or are going to talk about today."

— Kristen Spahr, Marketing Director, DeSoto Memorial Hospital



"Medicare reimbursement is going to continue to go down. In the future the fact is there will be fewer dollars available to hospitals."

— Dan Hogan, Chief Financial Officer

much worse before they get better."

Many agreed with Johnson's sentiments, but DMH Marketing Director Kristen Spahr noted the hospital closing its doors should be everyone's primary concern. "This topic right here is more important than anything else we have or are going to talk about today," she said. Spahr then asked local businesswoman Linda Williams her thoughts on what the hospital's closure would mean to local businesses.

"The winter visitors are the profit centers for every business in town," Williams said. "If the hospital closed its doors, there would be no reason for snowbirds to live at a Craig's RV Park or Arcadia Village. If we lose those individuals, it would be devastating to our local economy."

Hoffman then asked Sica about the hospital's plan to increase services to help close the deficit that would remain even if a tax was approved. "I think the first thing you have to ask yourself is if there's enough patient volume to justify the purchase of equipment to provide those expanded services," he said. "We believe that if we were to expand this facility to being a healthcare system, rather than just being a hospital, that would drive more patient visits and allow us to offer those services. The key for us is to find a way to provide more services in a variety of ways. That's our challenge going forward."

Potential partnership

One topic brought up several times during the discussion was the hospital's potential partnership with Manatee Rural Health, and the leasing of part of DMH's third floor. Sica said they are considering an affiliation not only because it would allow them to offer additional charity care programs, but would also open the door to capture resources the hospital isn't getting now.

"Those referrals we are losing to out-of-county facilities would now stay here, and we've estimated there's roughly \$60 million in potential revenue to be made here."

Michelle Hammonds from the Operation Military Assistance Program told the group her organization is looking to expand to DeSoto County, with the goal of helping veterans receive medical aid before they would have to visit the DOH or the ER. She asked Burns and Sica if the organizations had a shared master database of patients that could be used to pinpoint veterans in need, but Sica responded there was not one in place. Hammond offered to meet with both to create a case management preventative level of care for eligible veterans.

The roundtable ended with individuals giving their final thoughts on the hospital and indigent care.

"After what I've heard today, it's clear we're going to need a lot more resources to provide for indigent care, because I see the numbers only increasing from here," said Mike Provau, who was attending on behalf of DeSoto Cares. Johnson said he'd like to see the DOH and DMH work more closely to prevent duplication of services. "I would like you to become more efficient, and that starts with a more collaborative effort from both parties," he said.

Dr. Gordon Page said many of the financial problems health facilities face could be alleviated if more preventative care was in place. "We are the problem. Seventy-five percent of dollars spent on healthcare is toward treating diseases associated with obesity, nutrition, diabetes and smoking," he said. "These are issues human beings have the ability to control, but we are doing a very poor job of it on every level."

Before ending the meeting, the group agreed they would like to participate in more roundtables, including one that would allow the public to ask questions and be involved in the discussion.



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— Mary Kay Burns, Director of the DeSoto County Health Department



"Historically, DeSoto has been slow in approving a tax on themselves, so I'd say it's 50/50 at the best that it gets passed."

— Vince Sica, CEO of DeSoto Memorial Hospital



"Even hospitals as large as Tampa General, for example, are seeking partners to help with their financial burden. Every hospital has its own set of conditions to deal with."

— Karen Taylor, Administrative Director of Nursing, DeSoto Memorial Hospital



"Many of the patients walking into your ER are veterans, and our mission is to provide individual case management so they can circumvent the emergency room altogether."

— Michelle Hammond, Operation Military Assistance Program, Jewish Family & Children Services



"... many don't realize we can treat ailments that are typically considered ER-only situations."

— Penny Kurtz, Director of Nursing, DeSoto County Health Department



"These are issues human beings have the ability to control, but we are doing a very poor job of it on every level."

— Dr. Gordon Page, DeSoto Memorial Hospital

"There should be a focus on providing more preventative care to the indigent population, finding a way to bring medical services to those unwilling or unable to seek it out themselves."

— Rev. Ted Hanus, Arcadia Housing Authority and DeSoto Cares



DMH dedicates new imaging suite



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DeSoto Memorial Hospital staff celebrated the installation of its new radiology suite with a ribbon cutting on June 19. It replaces an older X-ray machine of 1980s vintage, and is capable of producing digital images so there is no waiting for film to be developed. Half of the cost of the new equipment was funded by the DeSoto Memorial Hospital Foundation.



DeSoto Memorial Hospital's new equipment can perform X-ray, CT scans, MRI, ultrasound, cardiac echo, Dexa scans, digital mammography and nuclear medicine. The new equipment was funded in part by the DeSoto Memorial Hospital Foundation and was dedicated June 19.

Mosaic downed Nocatee Baptist 27-12 in DeSoto County Adult Athletic Association softball action Tuesday night.



DHS volleyball goes summer camping

By **DAVE BREMER**
SPORTS WRITER

Ten DeSoto County High School varsity players recently attended the Florida Southern Team Camp. This is nothing new to the varsity squad, as DHS players have been doing this for close to two decades.

"It's a good camp for us," Coach Laura White said. "It's usually held right after school gets out, so the girls start the summer with the camp, and then we follow up the rest of the summer with open gym, working on skills and getting in the weight room."

White adds that one of the biggest benefits of the camp is that it focuses on areas such as teamwork and communication. "What's good about the Florida Southern camp is not only do the girls work on team concepts such as communication and support, they also work on skills and strategies of the game," she said. "Each team gets assigned a coach and then they spend about a day and a half working on skills and team concepts before going into tournament play with each other. Many (players) will go to individual skill camps on their own this summer, but the Florida Southern camp is about



PHOTOS BY DAVE BREMER

From left: Bethany Bonville, Josie Deriso, Lucero Perez and Sara Bennett enjoy watching tournament play during volleyball camp at Florida Southern.

improving as a team, and we seemed to accomplish that."

The players agreed with Coach White. Michaela Roberts, Bethany Bonville, Casey and Kaitlin Steyer said they came out of the camp with a feeling of reassurance. "I feel confident we can win districts again," Bonville said. "Our defense improved, and we were able to compete against the bigger teams."

Senior Datasia Wallace went into the camp with expectations of developing more teamwork and felt that was accomplished. "I think our serve



As camp comes to an end, the DHS volleyball team takes one last photo with their camp coach. Front row, from left: Casey Steyer and Lucero Perez. Back row, from left: Jayla Cowell; Datasia Wallace; Sara Bennett; Josie Deriso; Michaela Roberts; Coach Ali Skayhan; Bethany Bonville; Kaitlin Steyer; and Casey Steyer.

receive and defense improved during the camp. Communication got better, but we all know we still need to work more on this," she said.

Sara Bennett felt she benefited most from working on her defensive skills at the camp. "I learned how to roll, and do a better job of being still on contact," she said. "The team building was also good."

Lucero Perez agreed with Bennett, saying, "I also learned about the strategy of perimeter defense, which I really didn't know before."

"The DHS volleyball teams have usually been a pretty congenial and

dedicated group of girls and this group is certainly that," White said. "But it's also important to have fun and remember it's a game. This team seems to understand that. Most of them have played club ball together for the past couple of years as well as all the high school events, and we're usually having a pretty good time."

What's that old saying, "If you're not having fun then you have to question why you're doing it?" The good news for Lady Bulldog fans is DHS volleyball is having fun, and sharpening their skills for a run at another district title in the process.



The DeSoto County High School volleyball team meets with their coach to receive their end of camp evaluation. The players agreed the camp was a success.



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Football, volleyball squads prep for fall

By **DAVE BREMER**
ARCADIAN SPORTS WRITER

While fall sports such as volleyball might be in the gym working on specific skills, you'll find many members of the DeSoto County High School football squad in the weight room lifting the iron and doing various exercises that increase heart rate and stamina.

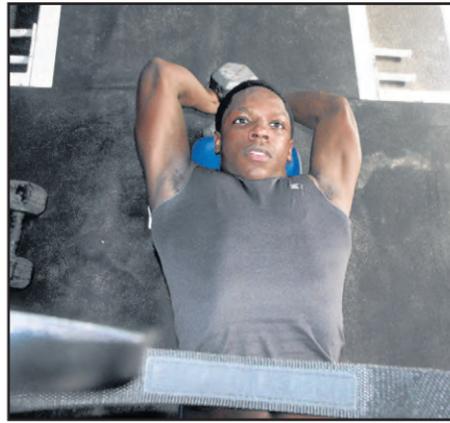
"We're kind of hit and miss right now with voluntary attendance," head coach Matt Egloff said. "The prisoners (work crew from DeSoto Correctional Institution) are on campus right now, so we can't come in until they're gone." Egloff continued the crew will be repainting the weight room and installing mirrors next week. "We'll all take a vacation, with everyone coming back full force July 7 at 8 a.m.," he said.

With a relatively small squad compared to many schools, Egloff has to take a little different approach during

summer training than most coaches. "We had 25 players in the spring, with the freshman of course coming this fall," he said. "We have many of our players going both ways (playing offense and defense) so we'll do a lot of cross fitness for endurance and try to increase our stamina for stronger fourth quarter finishes."

When asked how he gets the players motivated over the summer, Egloff said he uses goal setting as motivation. "They get more into it when we set goals," he noted. "Their focus is better, and the players just do better when they have attainable goals in front of them."

Back in the gym, varsity volleyball coach Laura White is explaining skills and proper techniques to about 20 girls of various ages, followed by conditioning drills during the last 30 minutes of the two-hour session. Both dedicated coaches were asked when they were going to get some vacation



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Dawayne Hearn works out in the DeSoto County High School weight room as he prepares for the fall football season for the Bulldogs.

time on their own, and coach Egloff reiterated that he'd sneak in a week while the weight room was being painted. Coach White said she hoped to find a week in July to take an annual



Anthony Lee has the barbell under control as he tries to reach his goal during summer training for the upcoming football season.

trip to the beach. Other than that, you'll find both coaches spending the summer with their players, trying to get the most out of their team for a successful fall season.

Hernandez claims truck win after Chastain DQ'ed

By **SCOTT LOCKWOOD**
DESOTO SPEEDWAY

Any time the Pro Trucks have shown up to race this year at DeSoto Speedway, Chad Chastain has been the man to beat.

Saturday night was no different for Chastain, who led all 35 laps of the evening's main event to tentatively give

him his fifth win in six starts this year at the Bradenton facility. However, Chastain's truck failed post race inspection, handing the win to Bradenton's Nick Hernandez.

Chastain started second but grabbed the lead at the drop of the green flag. With Chastain controlling the race, Bradenton's Nick Hernandez was using the outside lane

to pick off cars and found himself fourth when the yellow flag flew for debris at the halfway point of the race.

Hernandez passed Tyler Lau for third on the restart and started working on Bradenton's Danny Anderson for second place. When the caution flew for debris on lap 21, the top four of Chastain, Anderson, Hernandez and

Bradenton's Dennis Colletti were running nose-to-tail around the 3/8-mile track.

On the restart, Hernandez got by Anderson for second and set his sights on Chastain. Hernandez got to Chastain's rear bumper several times but could not make the pass. Chastain inched away over the final five laps to claim the win.

"When you start in the back, you work your way to the front but just run out of time and run out of tires," Hernandez said before finding out he was declared the winner. "If we could have started up front, you never know what could have happened."

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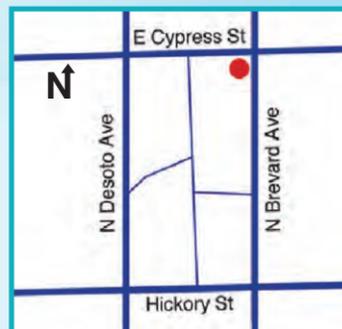


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Mosaic downs Nocatee Baptist in co-ed play



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The Mosaic co-ed team takes a moment to relax after defeating Nocatee Baptist 27-12 in league play. DeSoto County Adult Athletic Association co-ed games are played every Tuesday and Thursday evenings at the Jim Space ball fields.



Mosaic's Ricky Lara and Hailey Hafer focus on a Nocatee Baptist hitter during Tuesday night's game. Mosaic won the game 27-12.



Nocatee Baptist's Garrett Foster lines up a pitch during Tuesday night game action. Mosaic defeated Nocatee Baptist 27-12.



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Nick Hernandez of Palmetto claimed first place in Pro Trucks when Chad Chastain was disqualified.

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Arcadian racers made a showing at the speedway in the Pro Truck category last weekend: Cody Martell was 4th, Ricky Bullard Jr. was 6th, and Robert St. John was 8th.

In other action Saturday night, Randy Johnson held off Ronnie Robinson to win the 25-lap Pro 4/Mini Stock feature; Dennis Wilson was the winner of the 25-lap Pure Stock feature; Dustin Wilson won the Rookie 4 feature, Darren

Bass won the 20-lap Dwarf Car main event; Keith Sinkula won the 25-lap Legends race; and Chris Larson won the Mini Stock Figure 8.

Ric Mills placed 4th in Outlaw Modified #1 and 3rd in Outlaw Modified #2.

Next Saturday night, Desoto Speedway will host the Florida State School Bus Figure 8 Championships. Monster Trucks Iron Outlaw and Bounty Hunter will also be on hand along with a demolition derby. The J.D. Byrider Open Wheel Modifieds, Street Stocks and other classes will also be in action.

OUR VIEW

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elections office by 7 p.m. on Nov. 4.

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Farm Bureau names outstanding state legislators

SUBMITTED BY THE FLA. FARM BUREAU

Florida Farm Bureau, Florida's largest statewide agricultural association, has announced its Legislators of the Year and Champions for Agriculture.

The Florida Farm Bureau's Legislators of the Year award is presented to lawmakers who demonstrate excellent leadership on agricultural issues and work proactively to advance the interests of Florida's farmers and ranchers. These leaders have demonstrated a sustained commitment to developing Florida's economy and protecting the state's natural resources.

Throughout the 2014 legislative session, Sen. Bill Montford played a leading role in supporting and promoting Florida agriculture as the Chair of the Senate Agriculture Committee. During the last two legislative sessions, Montford presided over a committee that heard and passed significant legislation important to Florida's farm families.

In 2014, he sponsored two of Florida Farm Bureau's legislative priorities: a bill that helped expand opportunities for agricultural education in schools and legislation that helped strengthen and improve Florida's "Greenbelt" law by allowing farm land used for water storage to remain classified as agricultural property.

"We are very grateful for Sen. Montford's leadership and dedication to strengthen agriculture in the 2014 session," said Florida Farm Bureau President John Hoblick. "Senator Montford's experience and passion for both education and agriculture helped us pass sound policy that benefits students and the environment."

Rep. Jake Raburn has been an equally effective advocate for Florida's farm families. During the 2014 session Raburn sponsored legislation that expanded the number of agricultural industry certifications included in the CAPE

funding list. He was also the primary co-sponsor of HB 575, a bill that would have saved farmers \$2.4 million in sales tax exemptions on irrigation equipment and repairs. Although HB 575 did not pass, language updating and protecting the Greenbelt assessment on agricultural land was amended onto HB 7091 and passed the Legislature, giving farmers additional protections on their agricultural land.

"Representative Raburn is a superb advocate for agriculture," said Hoblick. "His work ethic and effort as a bill sponsor are unmatched and we are grateful for all he has done to promote issues important to agriculture."

"We are excited about Rep. Raburn's future in the Legislature and look forward to continuing our work with him during his time in the Florida House," Hoblick added.

In addition to naming its Legislators of the Year, Florida Farm Bureau has named

its second annual list of Champions for Agriculture, recognizing a group of legislators for their role in promoting an agriculture-friendly legislative agenda.

For 2014, Farm Bureau recognizes six Senators and 18 Representatives who took an active role in supporting our state's farmers and ranchers by sponsoring and co-sponsoring priority legislation and by having a perfect voting record on the organization's priority issues.

Among the additional Champions of Agriculture named by the Florida Farm Bureau were Sen. Bill Galvano and Rep. Ben Albritton, who represent DeSoto County.

"Florida Farm Bureau is thankful to have a group of lawmakers in Tallahassee that continue to demonstrate strong leadership and advocacy on behalf of Florida agriculture," said Hoblick. "We are grateful for their efforts that allow agriculture to continue to benefit our state's economy and its environment."

Bragg named to Visit Florida board

SUBMITTED BY CANOE OUTPOST-PEACE RIVER

Canoe Outpost-Peace River Inc. and Canoe Outpost, Inc. announced that President and owner, Rebecca Ann "Becky" Bragg, has been appointed to the Visit Florida Board of Directors and appointed Vice-Chair of the Visit Florida Cultural, Heritage, Rural, and Nature Committee which includes participation on the Visit Florida Marketing Steering Committee.

With the start of its new fiscal year



BRAGG

on July 1, Visit Florida – the state's official tourism marketing corporation – ushers in new leadership to serve on its Executive Committee, Board of Directors and industry committees. More than 220 Visit Florida partners, including some of the industry's foremost experts, have been selected to represent the tourism industry for

the upcoming term.

The Board of Directors is the organization's private sector governing body who, along with the members of its 11 committees, provide guidance, input and insight into the evolution of Visit Florida's marketing programs. The 31-member board, which is appointed by Enterprise Florida in conjunction with the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, is comprised of representatives from key sectors of the tourism industry and is balanced

geographically throughout the state.

Bragg has been actively involved with various Visit Florida committees since Canoe Outpost-Peace River became a Visit Florida Founding Partner in 1997. Canoe Outpost Inc. is also a Visit Florida partner.

Bragg's appointment will be the first time a DeSoto County tourism provider has been appointed to the Visit Florida Board of Directors.

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Grow your own sweet potatoes

The rainy season seems to have gotten an early start this summer. Now is an excellent time to plant sweet potatoes. Sweet potatoes are a tender warm season crop and require 120 to 180 days to mature. Plant now and you can expect to harvest taters for Thanksgiving. Growing sweet potatoes over the summer is a good way to hold down weeds in the vegetable garden. Once planted they require little care until harvest.

Sweet potatoes are started from stem cuttings called "slips." You can grow your own from a store-bought potato. Look for ones showing signs of tiny sprouts; some sweet potatoes are treated to prevent sprouting. You can set the potato in a glass of water, or bury it horizontally in the garden bed with the sprouting end just below the surface. In warm weather the shoots will be ready in two to three weeks.

Varieties recommended for Florida include Porto Rico, Georgia red, jewel, centennial, and coastal sweet. We've grown a purple variety and the usual red to orange types. If you want to try a specific variety, order slips from www.sweetpotatoplant.com or www.tatorman.com.

Prepare the sweet potato bed by raking the soil into 12- to 14-inch high mounds. Slightly flatten the top and cover with several layers of newspaper to hold down weeds and help prevent vines from rooting along the leaf nodes. We keep a stack of ceramic tiles to use to hold down the edges of the newspaper until the vines cover the hills.

Sweet potatoes thrive in sandy well-drained soil with a pH of 5.5 to 6.5. They do not require large amounts of fertilizer. One pound of 6-6-6 is sufficient for 100 feet of row. Too much nitrogen will result



Over the Garden Gate

Al & Karen Smoke

aandksmoke@gmail.com

in all vines and few roots. Additional potassium aids tuber development — wood ashes are a good source. Sweet potatoes are one crop that do not benefit from abundant organic matter in the soil; too much will cause rough cracked roots.

When your starter potato has produced vines, cut slips 6 to 10 inches long and use a stick to poke holes in the newspaper and insert the slips. Do it late in the afternoon or on an overcast day. Space slips 15 to 18 inches apart. Spacing too close will result in smaller tubers. Water the slips in. They will wilt at first, but will soon root and resume growing.

In dry periods, water if vines wilt severely. Large sweet potatoes form only at the junction of the initial stem piece. To keep vines from rooting, gently rake the vines from one side of the hill to the other every few weeks.

Chewing insects may make holes in the leaves, but seldom affect harvest. Root-knot nematodes and the southern potato

wireworm affect sweet potatoes, but we've harvested good crops with little evidence of damage. The only significant pest is the sweet potato weevil. The 3/8-inch white larvae tunnel through the potato making it inedible. Adult weevils resemble large ants with dark bodies and long reddish snouts. Adults puncture roots and stems and insert eggs which hatch in one week. Several generations are produced per year. There is no control for this pest. Hold weevils in check by always rotating the location of your potato bed and by not leaving any pieces of potato behind for the adults to over-winter in. If an infestation is discovered, remove all crop residues and destroy.

Tuber production begins in fall as day length decreases. Harvest potatoes when they are about two inches in diameter. You may harvest them as you need them, but be sure to dig your entire crop before the first frost. Pull the vines up; some potatoes may come with them. Then brush soil away from the roots and lift potatoes. Avoid bruising or rough handling.

As with Irish potatoes, the skin will be very tender. To cure sweet potatoes for storage, wash gently and place the damp potatoes in a ventilated plastic crate or wire screen. Place crate over a tray of damp sand and cover loosely with plastic for 7 to 14-days. The temperature should be 80 to 85 degrees and humidity 80 to 90 percent. Cured sweet potatoes will keep best at temperatures of 50 to 60 degrees and high humidity. Starches in the potato convert to sugars as the potato cures.

The sweet potato, *Ipomoea batatas*, has been a staple of Florida gardeners since pioneer days. Often a crop of 'taters was one sure food early settlers could depend



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Growing sweet potatoes over the summer is a good way to hold down weeds in the vegetable garden. Use a mulch of several layers of newspaper when setting out plants. Sweet potatoes thrive in sandy well drained soil with a pH of 5.5 to 6.5. They do not require large amounts of fertilizer.



Tuber production begins in fall as day length decreases. Harvest potatoes when they are about 2-inches in diameter. After harvesting, cure potatoes in a warm humid area to increase sugars and harden the skin. Cured sweet potatoes will keep best at temperatures of 50 to 60-degrees and high humidity.

on. Sweet potatoes contain vitamin A and C, carbohydrates and protein. Arcadia's original name — Tater Hill Bluff — more than likely referred to sweet potatoes, as white or Irish potatoes would have been a difficult crop to grow in our soil.

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NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: Jaime Alberto Campo a/k/a Jaime Campo Residence Unknown Unknown Spouse of Jaime Alberto Campo a/k/a Jaime Campo Residence Unknown If living: if dead, all unknown parties claiming interest by, through, under or against the above named defendant(s), whether said unknown parties claim as heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors, or other claimants; and all parties having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in the property herein described. YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following described property in DeSoto County, Florida: **Lot 5, Block 4, First Replay in Pembroke Subdivision, a Subdivision according to the plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 9, Pages 80 through 80C, of the Public Records of DeSoto County, Florida** Street Address: **13413 Pembroke Circle SW, Lake Suzy, Florida 34269** has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Clarfield, Okon, Salomone & Pincus, P.L., Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is 500 Australian Avenue South, Suite 730, West Palm Beach, FL 33401 within 30 days after the date of the first publication of this notice, on or before July 18, 2014, and file the original with the Clerk of this Court, otherwise, a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint or petition. DATED on June 16, 2014

Mitzie W. McGavic Clerk of said Court By: /s/ B. Wynn As Deputy Clerk

CLARFIELD, OKON, SALOMONE & PINCUS, P.L. Attorney for Plaintiff 500 Australian Avenue South, Suite 730 West Palm Beach, FL 33401 Telephone: (561) 713-1400 Published 6/19/14 & 6/26/14 349874 3054046

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 12TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA Case No.: 2014DR287 Division: FABIOLA PEREZ ESQUIVEL Petitioner and Salvador Miguel Mendez Respondent

NOTICE OF ACTION FOR CHILD NAME CHANGE

TO: Salvador Miguel Mendez LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: Suwannee Correctional Prison 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 it on Fabiola Perez Esquivel whose address is 7101 NW Lily Ave., Arcadia, FL 34266 on or before July 11, 2014, and file the original with the clerk of the Court at 115 East Oak Street, 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 the 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 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. WARNING: Rule 12.285, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, requires certain automatic disclosure of documents and information. Failure to comply can result in sanctions, including dismissal or striking of pleadings. Dated June 6, 2014. CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT By: /s/ Marlene Harris Deputy Clerk Published 6/12/14, 6/19/14, 6/26/14 & 7/3/14 131159 3049911

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO. 2014CA000071AXMA Division No. ROSE ACCEPTANCE, INC. Plaintiff,

vs. ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST FRANKLIN G. MILLER, DECEASED, 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, et al, Defendants/

NOTICE OF ACTION FORECLOSURE PROCEEDINGS-PROPERTY

TO: ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST FRANKLIN G. MILLER, DECEASED, 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 ADDRESS UNKNOWN BUT WHOSE LAST KNOWN ADDRESS IS, 6143 NW CUL DE SAC ROAD, ARCADIA, FL 34266 Residence unknown and if living, including any unknown spouse of the Defendant, if remarried and if

said Defendant is dead, his/her respective unknown heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, creditors, lienors, and trustees, and all other persons claiming by, through, under or against the named Defendant; and the aforementioned named Defendant and such of the aforementioned unknown Defendant and such of the unknown named Defendant as may be infants, incompetents or otherwise not sui juris.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following described property, to-wit: Lot 17 of CUL-DE-SAC ESTATES, an unrecorded plat also being described as:

The S1/2 of NW 1/4 of NW1/4 of SE 1/4 of Section 3, Township 37, South, Range 24 East, of Desoto County, Florida. (Subject to a 25 foot road easement on the east side). more commonly known as 6143 NW Cul De Sac Road, Arcadia, Florida 34266

This action has been filed against you, and you are required to serve a copy of your written defense, if any, to it on Plaintiff's attorney, GILBERT GARCIA GROUP, P.A., whose address is 2005 Pan Am Circle, Suite 110, Tampa, Florida 33607, on or before 30 days after date of first publication and file the original with the Clerk of the Circuit Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint. WITNESS my hand and seal of this Court on the 18th day of June, 2014.

Mitzie W. McGavic DESOTO County, Florida By: /s/ B. Wynn Deputy Clerk

"In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, persons in need of a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding shall, within seven (7) days prior to any proceeding, contact the Administrative Office of the Court, DeSoto County, via Florida Relay Service". Published 6/26/14 & 7/3/14 109440 3056531

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 142014CA000299 FLOYD A. NEIDOFFER, Plaintiff,

vs. CECIL H. NEIDOFFER, CAROL ANN ANDERSON, and JANE DOE, Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: Defendants CECIL H. NEIDOFFER, CAROL ANN ANDERSON, and JANE DOE and JOHN DOE, their unknown spouses, heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors, successors in interest, assignees, lienors, trustees, and all other parties claiming by, through, under, or against them; all unknown natural persons if alive, and if dead or not known to be dead or alive, their several and respective unknown spouses, heirs, devisees, grantees, and creditors, or other parties claiming by, through, or under those unknown natural persons; the several and respective unknown assigns, successors in interest, trustees, or any other person claiming by, through, under, or against any corporation or other legal entity named or described

as a 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, or parties claiming to have any right, title, or interest in the property hereafter described, except for parties claiming by, through or under this Plaintiff, and ALL OTHERS WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to quiet title is pending on the following real property in DeSoto County, Florida:

Lot 43 of SUNNYBREEZE MOBILE HOME PARK, an unrecorded plat also being described as: Begin at the NE corner of the SE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of Section 25, Township 39 South, Range 23 East; thence N 89°20'24" W along North line of S 1/2 of NE 1/4 of said Section 25, 1885.41 feet to East R/W of S.C.L. RR; thence S 3°02'35" W along said R/W, 2060.60 feet to South R/W of Liverpool Blvd.; thence S 89°25'48" E along said R/W, 200.81 feet to P.O.B.; thence continue same line, 125.0 feet; thence S 3°02'35" W, 82.0 feet; thence N 89°25'48" W, 125.0 feet; thence N 3°02'35" E, 82.0 feet to P.O.B. Including the double wide mobile home affixed on the property. Subject to a reservation of a 1/2 interest in and to all oil, gas, and other minerals according to Deed Book 249, page 513, of the Official Records of DeSoto County, Florida; Also subject to restrictions and easements as recorded in Official Records Book 78, Page 64, of the Official Records of DeSoto County, Florida; and subject to all other restrictions or easements of record. has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on PAUL BENNETT SEUSY, P.A., the plaintiff's attorney, whose address is 203 West Oak Street, Arcadia, Florida, 34266, on or before July 19, 2011, and file the original with the Clerk of Court for DeSoto County, 115 East Oak Street, Arcadia, Florida, 34266, either before service on the plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint or petition. Dated this the 17th day of June, 2014. MITZIE MCGAVIC Clerk of the Court By: /s/ Marlene Harris as Deputy Clerk Published 6/19/14 & 6/26/14 325434 3053988

NOTICE TO CREDITORS 3120

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File No. 142014CP000057CPAXMA Division Twelfth IN RE: ESTATE OF Richard L. Williams Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of **Richard L. Williams**, deceased, whose date of death was **May 17, 2014**, and whose social security number are **xxx-xx-4774**, is pending in the Circuit Court for **DeSoto County, Florida**, Probate Division, the address of which is **115 East Oak**

SP-206-48

NOTICE TO CREDITORS 3120

Street, Arcadia, Florida 34266. The names and addresses of the personal representatives and the personal representatives' attorney are set forth below. All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM. All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. 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 June 19, 2014. Attorney for Personal Representatives:

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/s/Tamara K. Little
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Michigan 48473
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR DESOTO COUNTY. PROBATE DIVISION. CASE NO.: 2014-CP-59 Uniform Case No. 142014CP000059CPAXMX IN RE: The Estate of RITA JOY BLITCH, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Summary Administration
TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS OR DEMANDS AGAINST THE ABOVE ESTATE:
You are hereby notified that an Order of Summary Administration has been entered in the estate of RITA JOY BLITCH, deceased, date of death December 29, 2012, by the Circuit Court for Desoto County, Florida, Probate Division File No. 2014-CP-59, the address of which is 115 East Oak Street, Arcadia, FL 34266; that the total value of the estate is \$64,095.00 and that the names and address of those to whom it has been assigned by such order are:
Name: Joseph C. Mimm
Address: 895 Level Creek Road, Buford, GA 30518

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE NOTIFIED THAT: All creditors of the decedent and persons having claims or demands against the decedent's estate other than those for whom provision for full payment was made in the Order of Summary Administration, must file their claims against the estate with this Court WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN FLA STAT.733.702.ALL CLAIMS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER APPLICABLE TIME PERIOD, 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 June 19, 2014. Attorney for Person Giving Notice:

/s/ Colin M. Cameron
Colin M. Cameron, Esquire
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Okeechobee, FL 34972
(863) 763-8600
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Person Giving Notice:
/s/ Joseph C. Mimm
JOSEPH C. MIMM
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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE 3122

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION CASE NO.: 14-2008-CA-001148 DIVISION: Z CHASE HOME FINANCE LLC, Plaintiff, vs. ERIC L. HARRIS, et al, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Mortgage Foreclosure dated April and entered in Case No. 14-2008-CA-001148 of the Circuit Court of the TWELFTH Judicial Circuit in and for DESOTO County, Florida wherein CHASE HOME FINANCE LLC is the Plaintiff and ERIC L. HARRIS; LISA D. HARRIS; RESIDENTIAL FUNDING COMPANY, LLC; are the Defendants, The Clerk of the Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at DeSoto County Courthouse, 115 Oak Street, Arcadia, FL 34266 at 11:00AM, on the 15th day of July, 2014, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:
LOT 39, OF THE HABITAT, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 9, AT PAGES 90, 90A AND 90B, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA A/K/A 11446 SW PANTHER VIEW TERRACE, ARCADIA, FL 34269

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens must file a claim within sixty (60) days after the sale. WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of this Court on June 17, 2014.
Mitzie McGavic
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: /s/ B. Wynn
Deputy Clerk
****See Americans with Disabilities Act 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 the DeSoto County Clerk's Office, 115 East Oak Street, Arcadia, Florida 34266, (863)993-4876, at least seven (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 6/26/14 & 7/3/14 234766 3056570

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR DESOTO COUNTY GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION CASE NO. 142008CA001290 SUNTRUST BANK, Plaintiff, vs. MICHAEL J. MALONEY, CATHERINE P. MALONEY, UNKNOWN TENANT #1, UNKNOWN TENANT #2, Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure filed July 16, 2014 entered in Civil Case No. 14 2008 CA 001290 of the Circuit Court of the TWELFTH Judicial Circuit in and for DeSoto County, Arcadia, Florida, the Clerk of Court will 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 in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes on the 10th day of July, 2014 at 11:00 AM on the following described property as set forth in said Summary Final Judgment, to-wit:
A PARCEL OF LAND IN THE SOUTH 1/2 OF THE NW 1/4 OF SECTION 34, TOWNSHIP 38

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SOUTH, RANGE 23 EAST, DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA, INCLUDING A PORTION OF LOTS 18 AND 31 OF FLORIDA TOWNSITE COMPANY, MAP OF FARM LANDS NEAR PLATT, 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 4, PAGE 53, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
COMMENCE AT THE SE CORNER OF THE SOUTH 1/2 OF NW 1/4 OF SECTION 34, TOWNSHIP 38 SOUTH, RANGE 23 EAST, DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA; RUN THENCE NORTH 8937'58" EAST ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID TRACT, 200.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 0340'48" WEST 397.34 FEET; THENCE NORTH 8141'30" WEST 479.16 FEET; THENCE NORTH 8909'48" WEST 1393.99 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE NORTH 8909'48" WEST 329.43 FEET; THENCE NORTH 0201'51" EAST 872.42 FEET; THENCE NORTH 8630'16" EAST 330.89 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 0201'51" WEST 897.42 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.
TOGETHER WITH AND SUBJECT TO AN EASEMENT FOR INGRESS AND EGRESS OVER THE SOUTH 60.00 FEET OF LOTS 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 AND 22 OF SAID FLORIDA TOWNSITE COMPANY MAP OF FARM LANDS NEAR PLATT, FLORIDA;

TOGETHER WITH A 60 FOOT EASEMENT FOR INGRESS AND EGRESS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE AT THE SE CORNER OF THE SOUTH 1/2 OF THE NW 1/4 OF SECTION 34, TOWNSHIP 38 SOUTH, RANGE 23 EAST, DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA; RUN THENCE NORTH 8937'58" EAST ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID TRACT 200.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 0340'48" WEST 119.79 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE NORTH 0340'48" WEST 68.15 FEET; THENCE NORTH 5757'09" EAST 262.27 FEET; THENCE NORTH 3507'25" EAST 542.75 FEET; THENCE NORTH 8833'17" EAST 537.39 FEET; THENCE NORTH 3716'13" EAST 81.13 FEET; THENCE NORTH 1709'33" EAST 96.61 FEET; THENCE NORTH 0209'57" EAST 626.99 FEET; THENCE NORTH 8630'16" EAST 120.28 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 0137'28" WEST 50.21 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 8630'16" WEST 60.48 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 0209'57" WEST 590.53 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 1709'33" WEST 115.17 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 3716'13" WEST 120.55 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 8833'17" WEST 535.99 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 3507'25" WEST 524.67 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 5757'09" WEST 306.78 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

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 May, 2014.
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT As Clerk of the Court
By: /s/B. Wynn
Deputy Clerk
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 6/23/14 & 7/3/14 338038 3056394

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION CASE NO.: 14-2011-CA-000411 DIVISION: 2 BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING LP, Plaintiff, vs. ERMINIA VALDEZ, et al, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Mortgage Foreclosure dated May 9, 2014 and entered in Case No.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE 3122

14-2011-CA-000411 of the Circuit Court of the TWELFTH Judicial Circuit in and for DESOTO County, Florida wherein NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC1, is the Plaintiff and ERMINIA VALDEZ; CARLOS S VALDEZ; are the Defendants, The Clerk of the Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at DeSoto County Courthouse, 115 Oak Street, Arcadia, FL 34266 at 11:00AM, on the 17th day of July, 2014, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:
LOT 5, BLOCK B, DESOTO MOBILE ESTATES, 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 9, PAGE 37 A/K/A 1402 NE LEISURE AVENUE, ARCADIA, FL 34266 Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens must file a claim within sixty (60) days after the sale. WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of this Court on May 13, 2014.
Mitzie McGavic
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: /s/ B. Wynn
Deputy Clerk

****See Americans with Disabilities Act**** 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 the DeSoto County Clerk's Office, 115 East Oak Street, Arcadia, Florida 34266, (863)993-4876, at least seven (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 6/19/14 & 6/26/14 234766 3054015

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 12TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO. 2013CA000268AXMA BANK OF AMERICA, N.A. Plaintiff, vs. ROSA LINDA MARTINEZ; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ROSA LINDA MARTINEZ; DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA; FORD MOTOR CREDIT COMPANY; UNKNOWN PERSON(S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY; Defendants.

RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated May 30, 2014, and entered in Case No. 2013CA000268AXMA, of the Circuit Court of the 12th Judicial Circuit in and for DESOTO County, Florida, wherein BANK OF AMERICA, N.A. is Plaintiff and ROSA LINDA MARTINEZ; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ROSA LINDA MARTINEZ; UNKNOWN PERSON(S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY; DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA; FORD MOTOR CREDIT COMPANY; are defendants. I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash AT SOUTH DOOR OF COURTHOUSE., at 115 EAST OAK STREET, ARCADIA IN DESOTO County, FLORIDA 34266, at 11:00 A.M., on the 24 day of July, 2014, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:
LOT 4 AND THE NORTH 6 FEET OF LOT 5, TROPICAL HOMES SUBDIVISION, AS PER MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT IN AN D FOR DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA, IN PLAT BOOK 6, PAGE 73.
A 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 4 day of June, 2014.
MITZIE MCGAVIC
As Clerk of said Court
By: /s/ B. Wynn
As Deputy Clerk
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 provisions of certain assistance. Please contact the Desoto County Clerk's Office, 115 East Oak Street,

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Arcadia, FL 34266, Phone No. (863)993-4876 at least seven (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.
Submitted by:
Kahane & Associates, P.A.
8201 Peters Road, Ste.3000
Plantation, FL 33324
Telephone: (954) 382-3486
Telefacsimile: (954) 382-5380
Designated service email: notice@kahaneandassociates.com
Published 6/19/14 & 6/26/14 221363 3052477

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN AND FOR DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO: 2013-CA-000635 JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION Plaintiff, vs. LIZZIE ALLEN; ROBERT ALLEN; UNKNOWN TENANT I; UNKNOWN TENANT II; DESOTO COUNTY, A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA; CITY OF ARCADIA, A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA; ASSET ACCEPTANCE, LLC; UNIFUND CCR PARTNERS; MARTHA P. MEEKER F/K/A MARTHA P. LANE F/K/A MARTHA P. JOHNS, and any unknown heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors, and other unknown persons or unknown spouses claiming by, through and under any of the above-named Defendants, Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned Clerk of the Circuit Court of DeSoto County, Florida, will on the 8th day of July 2014, at 11:00 AM at 115 East Oaks St, Arcadia, FL 34266, offer for sale and sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash, the following-described property situate in DeSoto County, Florida: **The E 1/2 of Lot 29 and all of Lot 30, Block 3, Tier 5, of ALBERT W. GILCHRIST'S EAST END ADDITION TO ARCADIA, a subdivision according to the map or plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 27 and re-recorded in Plat Book C5, Page 48, of the Public Records of Desoto County, Florida.** pursuant to the Final Judgment entered in a case pending in said Court, the style of which is indicated above. Any person or entity claiming an interest in the surplus, if any, resulting from the foreclosure sale, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens, must file a claim on same with the Clerk of Court within 60 days after the foreclosure sale. WITNESS my hand and official seal of said Court this 7th day of May, 2014. AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT. 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 the DeSoto County Clerk's Office, 115 East Oak Street, Arcadia, Florida 34266, (863)993-4876, at least seven (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 6/26/14 & 7/3/14 107236 3056591

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE
PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given, that we will sell or otherwise dispose of the contents of the following self storage units in order to satisfy the delinquent storage lien placed in accordance with the State of Florida Statute 83.806. UNIT# NAME CONTENTS
70W083 Adrian Aldape Household Goods
70W131 Glenda M Garcia Household Goods
70W080 Shawn N Campbell
The above 3 unit(s) are located @ 4599 NW Hwy 70, Arcadia, FL 34266
NS046 Henrietta F Young Household Goods
The above 1 unit(s) is located @ 4981 SW Hwy 17, Arcadia, FL 34266
The public sale will be conducted at Easy Mini Storage, 4599 N.W. Hwy. 70, Arcadia, FL. 34266, at 4:00 p.m. on Monday, July 14, 2014. Units will be sold to the highest bidder. Open door sale, cash only. A cleaning deposit will be taken. (863) 993-2220. Published 6/23/14 & 7/3/14 222020 3056389

NOTICE OF SALE 3130

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR DESOTO COUNTY CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO. 14-2009-CA-000505-CAAX-MA NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC, Plaintiff, vs. KEVIN M. WATERS A/K/A KEVIN MICHEAL WATERS; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF KEVIN M. WATERS A/K/A KEVIN MICHEAL WATERS; LEIGH ANN WATERS; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF LEIGH ANN WATERS; IF LIVING, INCLUDING ANY UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF SAID

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DEFENDANT(S), IF REMARRIED, AND IF DECEASED, THE RESPECTIVE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, CREDITORS, LIENORS, AND TRUSTEES, AND ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST THE NAMED DEFENDANT(S); DESOTO COUNTY, A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA; WHETHER DISSOLVED OR PRESENTLY EXISTING, TOGETHER WITH ANY GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, CREDITORS, LIENORS, OR TRUSTEES OF SAID DEFENDANT(S) AND ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, OR AGAINST DEFENDANT(S); UNKNOWN TENANT #1; UNKNOWN TENANT #2; Defendant(s)

NOTICE OF SALE
Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to a Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the above styled cause, in the Circuit Court of Desoto County, Florida, I will sell the property situate in Desoto County, Florida, described as:
BEGIN AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SECTION 3, TOWNSHIP 39 SOUTH, RANGE 25 EAST, DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA; THENCE S 00 DEGREES 04'00"E ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID SECTION 3, 1584.00 FEET; THENCE N 89 DEGREES 53'33"W, 1099.32 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE SAME LINE, 141.86 FEET; THENCE S 00 DEGREES 12'16"W, 383.84 FEET; THENCE S 89 DEGREES 53'33"E, 141.86 FEET; THENCE N 00 DEGREES 12'16"E, 383.84 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

To include a:
2006 Fleetwood VIN # FFL570A32621LF31 96744932
2006 Fleetwood VIN # FFL570A32621LF31 96745045
at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, South door of the courthouse facing Oak Street, Arcadia, Florida 33821 at 11:00 AM, on July 15, 2014. 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. Witness, my hand and seal of this court on the 23rd day of June, 2014. CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
By: /s/ B. Wynn
Deputy Clerk

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 the DeSoto County Clerk's Office, 115 East Oak Street, Arcadia, Florida 34266, (863)993-4876, at least seven (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 6/26/14 & 7/3/14 107236 3056591

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The public sale will be conducted at Easy Mini Storage, 4599 N.W. Hwy. 70, Arcadia, FL. 34266, at 4:00 p.m. on Monday, July 14, 2014. Units will be sold to the highest bidder. Open door sale, cash only. A cleaning deposit will be taken. (863) 993-2220. Published 6/23/14 & 7/3/14 222020 3056389

NOTICE OF SALE 3130

Plaintiff, vs. KALLA R. HARRIS, STEVE P. HARRIS; UNKNOWN TENANT 1; UNKNOWN TENANT 2; AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANT(S), WHO (IS/ARE) NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIM AS HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, SPOUSES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS; FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION, et al. Defendant(s)

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that, pursuant to the Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on March 19, 2012, and the Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale entered on April 25, 2014, in this cause, in the Circuit Court of De Soto County, Florida, I will sell the property situated in De Soto County, Florida, described as: PARCEL 8: BEGIN AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE NE 1/4 OF THE SE 1/4 OF SECTION 22, TOWNSHIP 38 SOUTH, RANGE 24 EAST, DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA; THENCE N 00° 47' 31" W ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID TRACT, 1034.06 FEET, THENCE N 75° 49' 10" W, 241.33 FEET; THENCE S 12° 25' 18" W, 162.50 FEET; THENCE S 08° 33' 14" W 120.46 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE S 29° 28' 12" W, 82.67 FEET; THENCE N 81° 18' 03" W, 68.97 FEET; THENCE N 64° 10' 17" W, 73.11 FEET; THENCE N 26° 32' 46" W, 46.00 FEET; THENCE S 86° 38' 21" E, 195.55 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

a/k/a 4599 SW HORSESHOE TERRACE, ARCADIA, FL 34266 at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, at the South door of the Desoto County Courthouse, 115 East Oak Street, Arcadia, FL 34266, De Soto County, Florida, at eleven o'clock a.m. on July 15, 2014. 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 at Arcadia, Florida, this 20th of June, 2014. Mitzie W. McGavie Clerk of the Circuit Court By: /s/ Deputy Clerk

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 the DeSoto County Clerk's Office, 115 East Oak Street, Arcadia, Florida 34266, (863)993-4876, at least seven (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 6/26/14 7/3/14 371435 3056326

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR DESOTO COUNTY CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO. 14-2010-CA-000284-CAAX-MA CITIMORTGAGE, INC., Plaintiff,

vs. ASSAD SHAH; SILVIA SHAH; IF LIVING, INCLUDING ANY UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF SAID DEFENDANT(S), IF REMARRIED, AND IF DECEASED, THE RESPECTIVE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, CREDITORS, LIENORS, AND TRUSTEES, AND ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST THE NAMED DEFENDANT(S); JOHN DOE; JANE DOE; Defendant(s)

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to a Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the above styled cause, in the Circuit Court of Desoto County, Florida, I will sell the property situate in Desoto County, Florida, described as:

LOTS 14 AND 15 OF DESOTO ACRES SUBDIVISION, A SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 9, PAGE 9 AND RE-

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RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK C-5, PAGE 69, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA, LESS AND EXCEPT THE FOLLOWING THREE PARCELS OF LAND:

PARCEL 1: BEGIN AT THE NORTH-WEST CORNER OF LOT 14 OF DESOTO ACRES SUBDIVISION AS PER PLAT BOOK C-5, PAGE 69, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA; THENCE NORTH 57 DEGREES 47 MINUTES 09 SECONDS EAST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID LOT 14, 145.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 17 DEGREES 01 MINUTES 06 SECONDS EAST, 160.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 57 DEGREES 40 MINUTES 08 SECONDS WEST, 143.92 FEET TO THE WEST LINE OF SAID LOT 14; THENCE NORTH 17 DEGREES 25 MINUTES 11 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID WEST LINE, 160.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING AND

PARCEL 2: BEGIN AT THE NORTH-WEST CORNER OF LOT 14 OF DESOTO ACRES SUBDIVISION AS PER PLAT BOOK C-5, PAGE 69, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA; THENCE NORTH 57 DEGREES 47 MINUTES 09 SECONDS EAST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID LOT 14, 145.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE SAME LINE, 145.00 FEET TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID LOT 14; THENCE SOUTH 16 DEGREES 37 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID LOT 14, 160.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 57 DEGREES 40 MINUTES 08 SECONDS WEST, 143.92 FEET; THENCE NORTH 17 DEGREES 01 MINUTES 06 SECONDS WEST 160.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. AND PARCEL 3: FROM THE NORTHEASTERLY CORNER OF LOT 14 OF DESOTO ACRES SUBDIVISION AS PER PLAT BOOK C-5, PAGE 69, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA, RUN SOUTH 16 DEGREES 37 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST ALONG THE EASTERLY LINE OF SAID LOT 14, A DISTANCE OF 160.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE SOUTH 10 DEGREES 50 MINUTES 49 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 94.22 FEET; THENCE NORTH 81 DEGREES 28 MINUTES 39 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 105.03 FEET; THENCE NORTH 57 DEGREES 40 MINUTES 08 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 143.92 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING

at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, South door of the courthouse facing Oak Street, Arcadia, Florida 33821 at 11:00 AM, on July 15, 2014. 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. Witness, my hand and seal of this court on the 12th day of May, 2014. CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT By: /s/ N. Daughtrey Deputy Clerk

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 the DeSoto County Clerk's Office, 115 East Oak Street, Arcadia, Florida 34266, (863)993-4876, at least seven (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 6/26/14 & 7/3/14 107236 3056583

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA Case No.: 14-2012-CA-000804 Section:

BAYVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC Plaintiff, v. RANDOLPH W. SCOTT 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, GRANTEEES,

OR OTHER CLAIMANTS; AND TENANT NKA LISA SCOTT Defendant(s). NOTICE OF SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order of Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure dated May 28, 2014, entered in Civil Case No. 14-2012-CA-000804 of the Circuit Court of the Twelfth Judicial Circuit in and for DeSoto County, Florida, wherein the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest bidder for cash on the 23rd day of July 2014, at 11:00 a.m. at the South door of the DeSoto County Courthouse, 115 East Oak Street, Arcadia, Florida 34266, in accordance with Chapter 45 Florida Statutes, relative to the following described property as set forth in the Final Judgment, to wit: ALL THAT CERTAIN LAND SITUATE IN DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA, VIZ: THE WEST 119.08 OF THE EAST 594.08 FEET OF THE WEST 1/2 OF EAST 1/2 OF NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 32, TOWNSHIP 39 SOUTH, RANGE 25 EAST, LYING NORTH OF THE CENTERLINE OF PRAIRIE CREEK, 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. AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT. 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 the DeSoto County Clerk's Office, 115 East Oak Street, Arcadia, Florida 34266, (863)993-4876, at least seven (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. Dated at Arcadia, Florida this 4th day of June, 2014. CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT DeSoto County, Florida Published 6/19/14 & 6/26/14 329037 3053995

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OTHER NOTICES 3138

PUBLIC NOTICE TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF ARCADIA, FLORIDA NOTICE OF ORDINANCE READING AND PUBLIC HEARING

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the second reading of the following Ordinance will be made by the City Council of the City of Arcadia, Florida on Tuesday, July 15, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as may be heard, in Council Chambers at the Margaret Way Building, 23 N. Polk Avenue, Arcadia, Florida. The Ordinance to be considered at said second reading and public hearing is as follows: ORDINANCE NO. 998 AN ORDINANCE RESTATING CHAPTER 46 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ARCADIA TO ADOPT THE FLORIDA ELECTION CODE; TO HOLD ELECTIONS CONSISTENT WITH THE PROCEDURES AND MANNER SET FORTH IN THE FLORIDA ELECTION CODE; AMENDING THE DATES FOR CANDIDATE QUALIFYING, AMENDING THE DATES FOR A RUNOFF ELECTION; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. That the original of said Ordinance may be inspected by the public at the City Clerk's Office at the Administrative Offices, 23 N. Polk Street, Arcadia, Florida, and that any interested party may appear at said meeting and be heard with respect to the proposed ordinance. If any person decides to appeal any decision made by the City Council with respect to any matter considered at the meeting or public hearing, they will need a record of the proceedings and for such purpose, they will need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which their appeal is to be based. Penny Delaney City Clerk PUBLISHED 06/26/2014<None>33<None>

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COUNTY

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Weatherbug App on their phones, so we can see where the storms are and make educated decisions on whether we're in harms way."

Interim County Administrator Mandy Hines said staff had come up with three options for the board to consider, ranging from reducing the detection radius to 5-8 miles; changing the current policy under which park officials close the gate when lightning is detected within 10 miles; or passive enforcement instead of its current active stance, which she says includes having park officials tracking down all individuals in the park and pleading with them to get into their vehicles. Hines acknowledged that enforcement of the lightning policy has been spotty. "We admittedly have some enforcement challenges with the detection system, and the 10-mile radius gives us a buffer to allow enough time to alert those in the park," she said. "And after meeting with park officials and Ms. Adams we'd like the board to consider the options presented."

Commissioner Gabriel Quave opposed putting park officials at risk to notify adults. "I don't want to see us sending staff out there in the middle of a thunderstorm to attempt to herd cats," he said. He also opposed locking the park's main gate. "I see more risk closing them than keeping them open," he said. "If it was my children in that park when the alarm goes off and I'm outside the locked gate, I'll tell you right now I'd break it open to get to them. You can't lock the gate in that situation."

County Attorney Don Conn agreed, saying the locked gate is a liability issue. "I have some concerns with the gates being closed and people trying to get out," he said. "If we maintain the current policy but also adjust it so the gates remain open, we've got the best legal protection we're going to get."

Commissioner Buddy Mansfield said he was comfortable with the radius remaining at 10 miles. "The boy who was killed in Fort Myers was struck down by lightning 12 miles away," he said. "I don't want to test this in a court of law after the fact."

Adams then argued that her organization wasn't opposed to the detection system, but was asking for the ability to use some discretion rather than follow a set mileage guideline. Commissioner Bob Miller told her lowering the number from 10 wouldn't make much of a difference. "Lightning moves in a hurry, and two miles isn't going to affect much," he said. "When you start making decisions on your own it opens the county up to liability. That's why we have a clear set of rules we follow. I think it's important we

follow the policy that's already set in place."

Should gates stay open?

After Miller's comments, Adams focused on the county's closed gate policy, saying something needed to be done to fix the situation. "As a mother it's not OK with me to have the gates locked with my child inside," she said. She also mentioned the hard work DCYB has done to bring large tournaments to the county, and the evacuation/locked gate issues are making some teams reconsider coming to Brewer Park to participate. "The league we're a part of, Dixie Youth, has said DeSoto is the only county in the state with such restrictive policies," she said. "It will be difficult to attract teams here when they are forced to leave on command when the alarm goes off. It's easy to quickly pack up in a situation like practice, but you can't do that in a tournament scenario."

Commissioner Elton Langford told Adams as a former coach he understands the inconvenience associated with bad weather and cancellations on short notice, but said it's widely understood that it's part of the game. "I will tell you that I don't want the liability on my shoulders if the system goes off and a youngster gets hurt," he said. "I don't want to take an inch of a chance when it comes to kids."

Anderson said if the board were leaning toward a more passive enforcement policy with unlocked gates, then it would be crucial to have the head of each sports organization that uses the park to be aware of their responsibilities. "We need to make sure all of them are aware and are crystal clear that when the horn sounds they have to leave the fields," she said.

After further discussion, the board agreed to leave the gates open during a lightning warning but to maintain the current 10-mile detection radius. Staff was also directed to look into signage and a public announcement system that could be used to inform park visitors to leave all fields and move to a safe place when a warning alarm sounds. Pricing of both will be presented to the board at its July 15 meeting.

In other business, the board directed Conn to continue negotiating with two property owners for the potential site of a new sheriff's complex. The commissioners agreed, however, that Conn should approach the owners with the understanding that due to an anticipated tight budget for 2015, there would be no purchase agreements made in the near future.

The board also moved its Tuesday, Aug. 26 board meeting and budget workshop due to a conflict with election day. Both meetings will now be held Thursday, Aug. 28 at the county's meeting room.

GRITS & PIECES

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was traveling the White Pass Railroad in a train, and not only taking in the amazing scenery (there are no words, trust me!), but seeing countless pine trees that were between 100 and 200 hundred years old and very small due to the harsh winters stunting their growth to but a few feet high. We saw very old rock formations stacked by man known as Inukshuk that were quite small, and had been designed by Native Americans long ago as trail signs for fellow travelers. Then there was what's left of the very narrow trails along steep mountainsides made by those known as "stampeder" who used them during the gold rush years.

Of course we had to hit coffee shops here and there, the famous Red Dog

Saloon in Juneau for a mug of root beer, visit Pike Place Market in Seattle, where we just missed Brett Favre, who'd been there the day before, and clash with Canadian clerks over receiving change in their currency. No shortage of buskers, either — those folks who do stuff on the sidewalk, hoping you'll fill their tip jars. At various locations we saw a guitar player, a trumpeter, a bagpiper, a saxophonist, fire eaters, and a man towering high above us while riding a very tall unicycle — in a kilt, no less. And yes, we kept a safe distance.

Did I mention food? There was steak, shrimp, lobster, baked Alaska (of course), lamb, duck, salmon, and so much more. The fun part of the evening meals was the tradition of whipping our cloth napkins in the air to music, looking like Pittsburgh Steelers fans waving their Terrible Towels. This signaled the waiters to come running to the tables with large



PHOTO COURTESY OF JERRY WATERS

Jerry Waters spoke to the Arcadia Garden Club about his bird photography at the Venice Rookery.

GARDEN

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facts regarding the Great Blues. Great Blues have one mate per season which includes an elaborate courtship display and sharing of nurturing duties. The male will perform an active dance to attract the female.

Both male and female will assist in building a nest made of sticks. Great Blues usually breed in colonies in trees close to some type of wetland. The female will remain on the nest while the male brings the necessary sticks from a location some distance away. The eggs are laid over several days, with three eggs being laid on the average. The chicks grow rapidly and are quite large within three weeks of hatching. The "kids" will teach themselves how to fly. Herons eat a variety of food such as snakes, gophers and fish. Sadly, the biggest threat to the Great Blue Heron is the automobile. More herons are killed by cars when the bird is feeding by the side of the road than by predators.

The Great Blue is the third largest of the wading birds, with the Sand Hill Crane as number two and the Whooping Crane number one. Birds are measured for size in three ways: standing, head to end of spine, and wing span. A Great Blue has a wing span of over six feet.

The Venice Area Audubon Rookery is a beautiful site for photographing birds, including the Great Blue, during breeding season. Nesting season at the Rookery starts in November/December and goes to May. Breeding at the Rookery is in sequence, from larger to smaller birds. The Great Blues start in November; Great Egret is next, followed by the Snowy Egret, Tri-Color Heron and the Anhinga. Other birds at the Rookery include the Glossy Ibises and the Black Crowned



ARCADIAN PHOTO BY JAMIE PIPHER

The Clivia is in the lily family and is native to Southern Africa. A common name is bush lily.

Night Heron. For more information and directions to this birding photographers' gem, visit www.veniceaudubon.org.

Waters concluded his presentation with a music video entitled "The Beauty of Birds in Flight." The presentation led to many audience questions. For example, a question regarding flamingos led to learning that flamingos would be all white if they did not eat shrimp or other foods with color.

The club welcomed Betty Miller and Raynelle Newberry as guests. Anniversaries were recognized: Forest and John Reynolds for 13 years, Raynelle Newberry for 47 years, and Sherry and Eugene Miraldi for 16 years. A "Learn to Plant" raffle was conducted with winners receiving planting soil, a decorative yard piece, seed, and a colorful plant container. A beautiful and rare Clivia plant, donated by Hazel Stromsnes, was auctioned with proceeds going to the Garden Club. This was the last meeting for the 2013-14 Garden Club season. Meetings will begin again in October. We wish everyone a safe and joyful summer enjoying your garden or your neighbors.

baskets of bread rolls of all descriptions to start the meal off. We loved that very much, and I'm wondering if I can enjoy that here at home now — if I waved my paper napkin around, would my wife suddenly appear with a tray of biscuits or cornbread? She might come running, but would most likely be carrying a rolling pin instead.

I could go on writing for hours, but I'll spare you, as I don't want this to seem like one of those never-ending slide shows of yore that people used to make their friends and families watch when they got back off vacation. I advise everybody to try to make a trip like this — you won't regret it.

Best of all, though, I believe was the fact that my sister Cindy went with us, and that we set foot on Alaska soil in Juneau on Fathers Day together. Our dad had been stationed there with the Coast Guard during the late 1950s when I was little, and she was born

exactly nine months to the day from when he got back home from there. Her being with me, as well as so many family members and friends, made it extra special, and I'm so glad we could all go and enjoy it. I even wore a ring that belonged to our late sister, Peggy, as a way of having a part of her with us as well.

The craziest thing we did was my wife Diane's idea. On each cruise she likes to come up with a theme for a group photo. Last time, we all wore white bath robes, but this time we were on the "crazy hat tour," and believe me, there were some doozies. Folks walked by, staring at our large group filling a staircase, wondering what sort of folks they were at sea with.

But I had my answer prepared for them, as they moved away, glancing over their shoulders — "We're on a field trip from the facility!"

BOUTIQUE

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that today includes Brighton jewelry, Lindsay Phillips, Vera Bradley, Mud Pie, Amazing Grace and more. There are also home items, kitchenware, picture frames, knickknacks and hundreds of goodies to bring joy to the home.

The store also offers bridal/baby registry, shipping, a smart online shopping service, Facebook, and other tools to connect.

Both women have also served as president with the DeSoto County Chamber of Commerce, and are instrumental in the Florida Main

Street Historic Preservation campaign, a statewide program aimed at identifying, evaluating, and preserving Florida's historic resources. Main Street, with its emphasis on preservation, is an effective strategy in achieving these goals in Florida's historic retail districts. The Peddler's Boutique is located in a historic downtown building that the two women own and have refurbished.

Pam Ames said visitors from outside central Florida are encouraged and welcomed to shop – the web has shifted every business relationship – but that locals are most of the returning shoppers.

"When downtown Arcadia is successful, we're all successful," she said.



Peddler's Boutique has a wide range of clothing and home decor items.



ARCADIAN PHOTOS BY TAMI JEWELL

Peddler's Boutique carries some unusual items for the home that are great for gift-giving or personal use.



Peddler's Boutique carries a wide range of colorful Vera Bradley prints.

LOSE 2 WIN!

Would you please pledge toward our weight loss?

Steve Bauer and I (Joe Gallimore) are losing weight 2 win!

We are a special project planned by Kristen Spahr, Marketing Director of DeSoto Memorial Hospital. She has encouraged and inspired us to participate in a healthier lifestyle. She has recorded our weight and will monitor each week through November 27, 2014.

Steve and I have a combined goal of 150 pound loss. We seek your support in pledging funding toward the pounds we lose. Your pledge multiplied with our weight loss achieved will be a positive gain for our community / county as every dollar earned by pledges will be contributed toward DeSoto County Veterans Appreciation Days.

That's right, plans are set for several days of festivities while honoring all veterans who have served our nation. This will include the presence of the Vietnam Traveling Wall Memorial.

This will be promoted locally and around the state to invite other community and county residents to come to DeSoto and be part of these days of celebration, respect and honor, December 4-7, 2014.

Your pledge is TAX DEDUCTIBLE! Please, be a part of this Win-Win scenario.

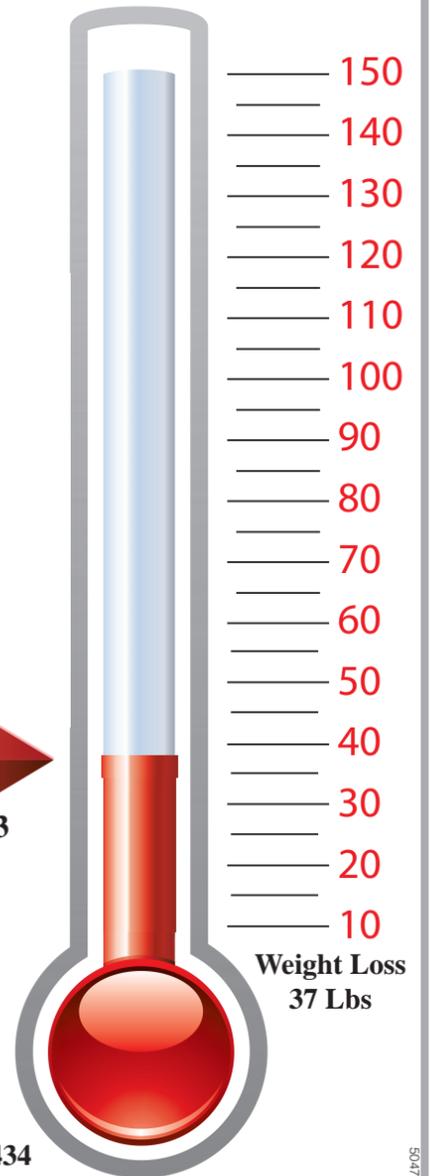
	Current Weight
Steve's official starting weight - 322lbs	297
Joe's official starting weight - 348 lbs	336

Collectively, we're determined to "Lose 2 Win!"



GOAL!

150 lbs.



Businesses or individuals pledging per pound:

- Danny Collins \$1
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- David Dunn-Rankin \$2
- Sue Hoffman \$1
- Bob White .25 cent
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- Geri Kotz .25 cent
- Carol Moore .25 cent
- Debbie Dunn-Rankin .25 cent
- Purple House of Charlotte County \$1
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- Chuck & Martha Craven \$2
- Kristen Spahr .25 cent
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Week 3

If you wish to make a pledge contact Joe Gallimore by phone at 990-8099 or 494-2434 or email jgallimore@sun-herald.com

Exhibitors walk the course to become familiar with the order of the obstacles so they can guide their dogs correctly around the course.



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DISTRICT

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activities with their children," Konjoian said. This is considered a pilot program, and the district did some pre-program testing involving basic concepts such as counting, the alphabet, colors and shapes. At the conclusion of the program, additional testing will show how much the children have gained through the program.

"This program meets a population in our county that has been underserved," School Superintendent Karyn Gary said. The district would like to expand the program in the future.

Also on Tuesday, the School Board approved a major overhaul of its board

policies to make them consistent. School Board Member Ronny Allen asked whether the transportation policy on students being transported to day cares after school is still in place, and was told the policy remains the same.

Purchasing Specialist Rene Barnard said new hand soap and sanitizer dispensers are being installed in the schools, and the younger students will get special lessons on hand-washing to stay healthy.

Gary reported that many teachers are getting specialized training this summer, some of which is being funded by grants. She also noted summer school attendance increased by 150 percent over last year, and more than 180 middle and high school students are attending summer classes.

CERTIFIED

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the program and complete a series of courses totaling 42 hours. The coursework is designed to provide information and enhance skills relevant to a commissioner's duties and responsibilities as an elected official.

"This certification allows our citizen electorate to become experts in county government improving their communities," said FAC Executive Director Chris Holley. "The 380

graduates of this program are a testament to the importance of this curriculum to Florida's public servants and our counties"

The CCC program coursework covers a variety of topics, such as county government roles and responsibilities, county government structure and authority, financial management, ethics and sunshine law, negotiation skills, economic development, and effective communication. Completion of all coursework averages 12 to 18 months. The University of Florida/IFAS Extension sponsors this program.

DOGS

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guide their dogs through using hand and voice signals.

Dogs further along in their training can handle more obstacles, and more complex jumps, than those just learning the basics. Advanced dogs fairly fly through the course, eagerly performing the more difficult steps with ease.

The Calusa Dog Agility Trials are free for spectators and provide a lot of family entertainment. They will return to the Turner Center twice, July 16-20 and again August 21-24.

In addition, several other dog-related

events promise fun for spectators. The Sarasota Obedience Training Club Dog Show takes place July 10-13. At the end of the month, the Tail Waggers Dog Show takes over July 30-August 3. The following weekend, the Palm Beach Dog Show takes over from August 7-10, followed by the Treasure Coast Dog Show August 28-31. There is also a Dog Show Seminar slated for August 18 & 19.

But it's not all gone to the dogs ... while the dirt floor is in place at the Turner Center, there's plenty of barrel racing action on tap. Florida Barrel Racing Association has scheduled events for June 29, July 6 and August 17, while National Barrel Horse Association races are scheduled August 16.

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