



City Gets Another \$200,000 For Water Street Park Development



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The new park, with its several preliminary trails and exercise equipment, is accessible from South Water Street, opposite Seminole Street.

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It appears that the confidence that members of the Monticello Park Committee expressed back in March relative to the city's chances of getting a \$200,000 state grant to take the Water Street Park to the next level wasn't misplaced.

Mayor Idella Scott, who also chairs the park committee that is pursuing the park's development, informed the Monticello City Council on Tuesday evening, Sept. 4, that the state had awarded the money. She said official word of the award should be arriving within a couple of weeks.

Scott said that not only had the local park been chosen for the funding, but it had also been ranked third in the state, in terms of the completeness and thoroughness of its application.

The state entity awarding the funding is the Office of Greenways and Trails, which is part of the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP). This application was the committee's second try at the funding.

A previous application that the committee submitted in 2011 failed to make the grade, allegedly because of its complexity and excess of details; it was a lesson the committee's grant writers learned and applied to this second and successful application.

They also changed the makeup of the proposed trails to reduce the overall cost and additionally consulted with the FDEP staff to ensure for the application's viability.

The newly awarded \$200,000 is to be used for phase 2 of the park's development, which entails, among other things, construction of a series of trails of different difficulties through the highlands and wetlands of the 28-acre property, including an elevated boardwalk trail with an overlook; a pedestrian,

jogging and exercise backbone trail that's Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant; and a bicycle off-road trail.

The park committee, along with other community volunteers, only recently completed phase 1 of the project, which stemmed from the original \$200,000 grant that the city received in 2007. That initial funding largely went to purchase the 28-acre property that today comprises the park off Water Street.

Also as part of the initial funding requirements, the city had to make certain improvements to the property, which efforts depended to a large degree on city funding and much volunteer help. These requirements included cleaning the property, cutting a number of preliminary trails, installing exercise equipment and putting up signage. The deadline for completion of these requirements was this past July 1.

Jack Carswell, one of the committee members, was so excited to hear about the grant award that he phoned the *News* on Wednesday morning from California, where he is vacationing, to celebrate the good news.

"This is pretty exciting," Carswell said. "For two years now the members of the committee have been operating on just vision, commitment and hard work. This is an example of a small town refusing to be victimized and quit trying to build a better quality of life for the next generation. We kept the faith and did what we needed to do. It's what can happen when a community works together and you've got stick-to-it-ness."

Other members of the Monticello Park Committee include Winston Lee, Patricia Gardner, David Ward and Steve Wingate.

The park is presently opened to the public and accessible from Water Street just north of the American Legion's property, opposite Seminole Street.

Contractor Is Picked For Construction Of City's New Sewer Treatment Plant

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Even as the city staff continues the process to secure \$5 million from the federal government for the construction of a replacement sewer treatment plant, the Monticello City Council this week tentatively awarded the contract for the construction of the facility to a Jacksonville company.

The council on Tuesday evening, Sept. 4, awarded the contract to the Jacksonville-based WBC Industrial Construction LLC for its low bid of \$4,723,250, as recommended by the project's engineers, Mittauer & Associates.

The council approved the contract contingent on the funding soon being available and the concurrence of Rural Development, the agency in the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) that is providing the funding.

The council also approved — again contingent on the funding being available and Rural Development approving the action — the hiring of an outside inspector to monitor the project's construction on behalf of the city.

Meanwhile, City Attorney Bruce Leinback informed the council that a judge had authorized the issuance of the bonds to finance a portion of the plant's construction cost, a necessary step in the process to secure the federal funding.

City staff has been working with Rural Development staff going on two years now to structure a financial deal that combines a low-interest loan with an outright grant.

City officials indicated on Tuesday that a public hearing on the bond issue would likely take place later this month, with the likelihood that the city would receive the funding before October.

It was in July 2011 that city officials first learned of the \$6.2 million award from Rural Development for construction



of a treatment plant, with \$4,715,000 of the money to come in the form of a low-interest loan and \$1,540,800 to come as an outright grant.

The announcement from Rural Development followed the council's approval of a required resolution in June 2011.

As Rural Development area specialist Mary Gavin explained it to the council at the time, adoption of the resolution constituted an obligation that did not incur immediate costs to the city. Rather, those costs would come later, when the city actually closed on the loan, she said.

The contract with Rural Development calls for a 40-year loan at an interest rate of 3.3750 percent, with the first payment scheduled to come due on Sept. 1 of the year immediately following the loan closing, and with subsequent payments coming due each Sept. 1 thereafter.

Rural Development calculates the city's payments on the \$4.7 million loan will be \$222,030 annually.

According to an earlier breakdown of the project's estimated costs, \$4,950,000 of the money would go for development of the treatment plant; \$20,000 would go to the fiscal agent; \$54,000 would go for legal fees; \$163,000 would go for interest; \$573,800 for engineering services; and \$495,000 for "contingencies".

The funding conditions require that, prior to the start of construction on the treatment plant or the closing of the loan, the city must provide evidence or certification that the sewer system serves 1,293 customers, 1,075 of them residential and 218

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Flood Remapping Project Ready For Public Viewing

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Almost five years after local officials were first informed about a project to remap the region's floodplains to give homeowners more accurate information about flood hazards for insurance purposes, the project's results are finally beginning to be released.

The Northwest Florida Water Management District (NFWFMD), one of the partners in the enterprise — along with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and Jefferson County — plans to hold an open house here on Tuesday, Sept. 11, to share the preliminary Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRM) and Flood Insurance Study (FIS) specific to Jefferson County and Monticello.

The new maps, part of a plan by FEMA to update all flood hazard maps nationwide, will replace the existing flood insurance rate maps adopted in 2002.

Once the new maps are adopted, according to the NFWFMD, they will be used to determine which properties are located within special flood hazard areas for flood insurance purposes.

During the open house, scheduled for 4-7 p.m. in the Monticello Opera House, representatives of FEMA and the NFWFMD will present the latest information on the county's flood risks, flood insurance, floodplain development regulations and floodplain mapping, as well as the timeline for adoption of the map and study.

Local officials also will be present to answer citizens' questions, according to the NFWFMD.

For a view of the preliminary maps and FIS, the NFWFMD advises residents to visit <http://portal.nwfwmdfloodmaps.com>, or call Elaine McKinnon at (850) 539-5999, ext. 221.

Representatives of the Suwannee and North Florida water manage-

ment districts first informed Jefferson County officials and staff of the effort to update and digitize the county's flood insurance rate maps in June 2008.

At the time, the state officials explained that the effort was part of a FEMA initiated and funded project to modernize the country's topographical maps. The goal, as the officials and consultants explained it at the time, entailed taking the then current monochromatic and largely outdated floodplain maps and converting them into state-of-the-art digital documents, complete with aerial photography, GIS spatial referencing, and accurately delineated elevations, floodplains and wetlands, among other features.

Ultimately, the experts said, the upgraded maps were expected to serve as the foundation for the overlay of other databases, so that documents post the upgrade would

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5 LOCAL ELECTIVE OFFICES REMAIN TO BE DECIDED

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Now that the primaries have decided a couple of the local races and narrowed the number of candidates in the others, it's worth revisiting the issue, if only to identify the candidates still remaining in the various races and touch on some of the duties of the offices being sought.

In the School Superintendent race, four candidates are now vying for the office.

The four are Democratic incumbent Bill Brumfield, who is seeking a second term, and challengers Al Cooksey, Nancy Whitty and Charles Parrish.

Cooksey is Republican, and Whitty and Parrish are Non Party Affiliation (NPA).

Per Florida law, school superintendents are responsible, among other things, for acting as the custodians of school properties for the school boards; supervising the assembling of data and sponsoring studies and surveys essential to the development of planned school programs for entire districts; directing the work of school and district personnel; and recommending measures to the district school boards to assure adequate educational facilities throughout the districts.

The other countywide constitutional office being contested is the Tax Collector. Here, Democratic incumbent Lois

Hunter, who is seeking a fourth term, is facing opposition from Republican challenger Paul Michael.

Tax collectors are responsible for the collection of ad-valorem taxes and other taxes set at the local levels, including those set by special levying districts, state agencies, and county commissions.

Tax collectors also act as the agents of several state departments, including the Department of Revenue, the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles and the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.

Two County Commission contests remain to be decided in the general election in November. They are the District 1 and 3 seats.

In the District 1 race, the two candidates are Democrat Benjamin Bishop and Republican Ed Volltersen.

In the District 3 race, the three candidates are NPA incumbent Hines Boyd, who is seeking a second term, and challengers C.P. Miller, NPA, and Vernie Key, Democrat.

The powers and duties of county commissioners are found in Florida Statutes. Generally, commissioners function as the county's legislative branch and governing body. Commissioners, among others of their duties, approve the county's operating budget; serve on local,

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Sat 9/8	88/73	
Sun 9/9	88/68	
Mon 9/10	87/66	
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Partly cloudy in the morning followed by scattered thunderstorms in the aft.

Scattered thunderstorms possible.

Scattered thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 80s and lows in the upper 60s.

Sunny. Highs in the upper 80s and lows in the mid 60s.

Abundant sunshine. Highs in the mid 80s and lows in the mid 60s.

Jefferson County Living

Tri-Area Golden Circle Day Observation

Carrie White Boone Assembly #331, Order of the Golden Circle (OGC), observed it's Golden Circle Day with a tea.

Carrie White Boone with Carolyn Wade, Loyal Lady Ruler (LLR); DJ Morgan Assembly #71 with Avonette Henry, LLR; and OJ Chestnut Assembly #207 with Tasheika Willford, LLR are affiliates of Fred Alexander State Grand Assembly OGC, Florida Jurisdiction, PHA, Jacksonville, FL with Joe Caldwell, 33-degree Deputy of the Orient SGIG the Honorable Anthony Stafford, 33-degree Most Worshipful Grand Master, and Juan Cox, State Grand LLR.

The tea was held on Sunday, June 10, at the Christ Episcopal Church Fellowship Hall.

Past Loyal Lady Ruler (PLL) Mary Madison, served as Mistress of Ceremony. "When you look at the world in a narrow way, how narrow it seems! When you look at the world in a mean way, how mean it is! When you look at the world selfishly, how selfish it is! But, when you look at the world in a broad, generous, friendly spirit, what wonderful people you find in it!" served as MC Madison's greeting for the social gathering.

Protocol was established and the invocation/ blessing was offered by SGLR Cox.

The welcome/occasion was given by LL Eloise Livingston, followed by a solo by LL Lefornia Francis.

There were three presentations. The first presentation was entitled, "Love," by LL Dorothy Benjamin. Her message to all came from John 3:16, and how we should love as

God did when he gave his only son, showing his true love. It was illustrated in Ephesians 4:2 when Apostle Paul told us, "Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love."

The second presentation was entitled, "Peace," by PLLR Mathye McCloud. She gave the meaning of peace, calm, content and serenity. She then explained the OGC emblem of the dove and the green sprig it carries. She illustrated the story of Noah, the ark and the great flood. She ended the presentation by telling the group of the peace Jesus promised in John 14:27, then she prayed a prayer of peace for all.

The third presentation was entitled, "Unity," by PSGLLR Nancy Benjamin. The group was first reminded of the definition of unity - the condition of being united/unified/combined (to make one). Her main focus was unity in the church, coming from David in Psalm 133:1, which says, "How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity." The group was again reminded of Apostle Paul's teaching to the church of God who called those everywhere who were sanctified in Christ Jesus and called to be Holy to come together. Her final scenario illustrated how the group, as a people (human beings) could take the example of the small insect that lives in large, organized groups that work together to get the big jobs accomplished.

A "Chat and Chew" was directed by MC Madison, following the first and second presentations. The menu was indicative of the program title of "A

Tea." A exquisite bountiful variety of finger sandwiches, miniature cakes, decorative cookies and a large variety of teas. Guests had a choice of hot or iced, or both.

The tables were set with an array of fine china, silverware and stem ware. Tables were covered in white linen blend, round clothes, and the chairs were also covered with gold ties.

Remarks from program coordinator LL Marra Udell, LLR Carolyn Wade and SGLR Juan Cox, concluded the program, which was followed by a photo session.

Carrie White Boone's officers, members and their assembly constituents would like to leave the following tea etiquette tips with readers;

Pinkies up - Never loop your fingers through the handle or grasp your cup with the palm of your hand. Place your fingers to the front and back of the handle pinching the handle with the pinkie up for balance.

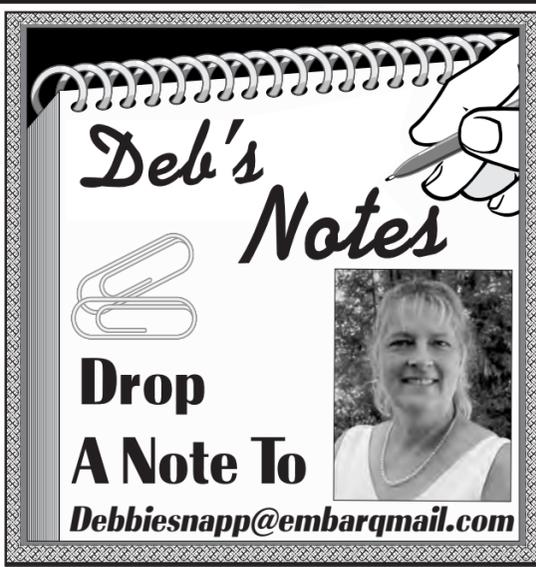
Napkins - If you must leave the table temporarily, place your napkin on your seat and replace it when you return. Never put your napkin on the table until you are ready to leave.

Stirring tea - Do not stir your tea in a circular motion, use a back and forth motion without touching the sides or the bottom of the cup. Never leave the spoon in the teacup and when not in use, place it to the right of the saucer.

Drinking tea - Sip your tea don't slurp it. Do not use your tea to wash down food. If you are seated at the table, lift the cup from the saucer when sipping. If you are standing or sitting away from the table, lift the saucer and teacup together when sipping.

Gloves - When wearing gloves to a dinner or tea, remove your gloves before sitting down to dine. If you are wearing gloves before a dinner or tea, when greeting someone, remove the right glove and place it in your left hand. Shake hands skin to skin. Do not eat with your gloves on.

"Strange how a teapot can represent at the same time, comforts of solitude and pleasures of company." Author unknown.



Vanita Anderson, TD Program Coordinator with the Apalachee Regional Planning Council, announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited. The Jefferson County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board will meet at 10 a.m. on Thursday, September 13, at the Jefferson County Health Department Annex. In addition to its regular business, the agenda will include the adoption of the by-laws, the complaint/grievance procedures and the annual operating report. The board will also review for adoption the Transportation Disadvantaged Service Plan Rate Structure. A public hearing will follow the meeting to which all persons are invited. For additional information, a copy of the agenda, or if you require special accommodations at a disability or physical impairment, contact her at 850-674-4571.

Tod Thomas, director of communications with the United Way of the Big Bend, reports: ELECT

UNITED was the cry from the campaign floor during United Way of the Big Bend's (UWBB) 70th Annual Community Campaign Kickoff at the Tallahassee-Leon County Civic Center. Nearly 500 enthusiastic Big Bend volunteers, campaign coordinators, community leaders, donors, supporters, and local residents waved banners and signs in the auditorium as they nominated ELECT UNITED over Apathy and Ignorance. Tables decorated in red, white and blue, each with a County or Sponsor Banner in the center littered the hall floor. Private poling booths greeted the attendees as they entered and added a real convention feel to the room. The 2012-2013 Campaign kicked off with some good old fashioned 'stumpin', as this years Campaign Chair Ron Sachs arrived on the back of the flatbed truck. Sachs had no trouble getting everyone into election mode. "We are going to have an extraordinarily effective and successful campaign," said Sachs.

"Our community needs us more now than ever before. It's time to stand and make a statement, make our voices known that Big Bend donors and volunteers have chosen to use UWBB to once again lead the way in how to take care of each other. It's time to fight Apathy and Elect United!" With his arrival also came the answer so many in the audience were looking for. The number for this year's goal, that was revealed on the side of the flatbed. This year's goal is \$5,900,000. As fun as the day was in its theme, apathy and ignorance are rampant in our society, and ELECT UNITED is a serious call to action for the people of the Big Bend to be aware to the needs of others in these difficult times. For more information on the 2012/13 Campaign or how to help people throughout the Big Bend, call 850-414-0844, or visit uwbb.org.

Hundreds gathered to honor those environmental stewards who bring extra care into their farm and ranch productions with Best Management Practices on their properties. Jefferson County's Walker and Sons Farm was one of the 22-Suwannee River Basin agriculturists presented the County Alliance for Responsible Environmental Stewardship CARES award during the celebratory dinner on July 24. Congratulations once again!

The community is invited to a MainStreet Mixer beginning at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, September 10 on the patio at the Avera-Clarke House B&B. Contact President Margie Stern at 850-210-4097 for more information.

Fincham Wins One For The JSCC

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Facebook judged and selected the winner for its 'Win A Grant' contest in May. The winner, chosen from 500+ entries received, was Jefferson County resident Diane Fincham.

Participants were asked to write about the 'cause' that was dearest in their hearts. Many outstanding causes were entered and it would have been wonderful if all could have been chosen; but only one lucky winner could be



ECB Publishing Photo By Debbie Snapp, August 31, 2012. Seniors mingle and fellowship for fun, games, meals and programs before, during and after lunch at the Jefferson Senior Citizens Center Monday through Friday.

selected. A software program randomly picked among the entries. Her near and dear cause is the Jefferson Senior Citizens Center on North Jefferson Street in Monticello. The donation was made to the Center on her behalf.

Fincham is the controller at the JSCC. Like many non-profits, the JSCC is adopting to funding cuts at both the state and national levels. She explains that the JSCC provides community care and support to seniors across a large rural county. A core service of the JSCC is to provide a daily hot meal to its

clients.

She goes on to say that for many of the seniors at the JSCC the meal they receive is the only balanced, nutritious meal they eat all day. The JSCC prepares and delivers 25+ meals 5 days a week with 2 frozen meals for the weekend; and 40+ are served at the facility Monday through Friday.

The JSCC clients and other personnel thank Diane Fincham for her time and efforts in submitting her entry to this 'Win A Grant' contest. You can thank her too by calling the JSCC at 850-342-0242X237.

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STINGERS

It's election time so maybe I shouldn't be surprised that a nameless writer attacked Commissioner Boyd in another stinger vendetta last week. Shame on them for blaming a hard-working, thoughtful and principled man for other's sideways agendas. Hines Boyd is the one Commissioner who seems to consistently accomplish good things for our County. I admire his political courage, his willingness to address tough issues and tell people "No" when a decision isn't best for Jefferson County as a whole. Completely anonymous comments like the one written last week should be treated for what they are: ignorant and irrelevant.

**Signed,
S.B.N**

***All Stingers are printed anonymously, however the News staff reserves the right to not print offensive material.**

Jefferson County Living

Thanks Dot for Helping Us Win the War on Poverty

Submitted By Gene Hall

Have you heard the good news about the war on poverty? The Capital Area Community Action Agency (CACAA) is winning it. In fact, this has been the crux of the matter for the past 14 years since Dot Inman-Johnson took the helm as the CACAA Executive Director. To support my stance, let's hear from Ms. Inman-Johnson herself concerning the issues affecting eight north Florida counties that include Jefferson, Calhoun, Franklin, Gadsden, Gulf, Leon, Liberty and Wakulla.

Ms. Inman-Johnson emphatically affirms "in North Florida the Community Services Block Grant - American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) and the Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP) ARRA funds over the last two years finally provided funding at a level to allow Community Action Agencies (CAAs) to embellish its efforts. It provided a stimulus for CAAs to attempt large scale collaborations with enough incentives to bring partners to the table for projects with real resource sharing to positively impact the lives of the poor."

If anybody has a Horatio Alger rags to riches story, certainly Ms. Inman-Johnson does. She is someone who was raised in Birmingham, Alabama during the 1950s and 60s with parents who struggled to take care of their 13 children in a family best described as working poor. Her dad was a coal miner and her mom was a maid similar to those depicted in the movie 'The Help'. Nonetheless, she developed a lifelong passion for work that improved the lives of others. We're glad she did.

To the surprise of few people, the hard work of Ms. Inman-Johnson and her staff has not gone unnoticed. Accordingly, the CACAA was named top job creator, among Florida's CAAs by the Florida Department of Community Affairs for the

second quarter of 2009-2010 with nine jobs created.

Other accomplishments made by CACAA under Ms. Inman-Johnson's leadership include: *The development of a first in the nation Weatherization Installer five-week certification class.



CACAA, Workforce Plus and Tallahassee Community College have all received wide recognition for the job training and placement program's innovation and success in improving the conditions of low-income residents through training and job opportunities.

*135 on-the-job training enrollees in the Family Self-Sufficiency Program (FSSP) were provided On the Job Training (OJT) placements with local businesses.

*60 low-income residents/FSSP clients completed CACAA sponsored Certified Nursing Assistants (CNA) classes at sites in four counties.

*33 FSSP clients enrolled in a first-in-the-nation Weatherization Installer class created through a partnership initiated by CACAA with Tallahassee Community College and Workforce Plus of the Big Bend. 30 of them completed the class and were placed in OJT and jobs with agency contractors for the Weatherization Assistance Program/ARRA Program.

*192 jobs were created or retained in the Weatherization Program by contractors and their subcontractors with the WAP-ARRA funds for six counties.

*All nine of CACAA Head Start Centers gained National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) accreditation when the last center successfully completed the process and received it in May 2011.

*16 participants completed a micro-enterprise class sponsored by CACAA which helped 10 of them learn how to use their special talents/skills for new micro-businesses, develop business plans, and qualify for small grants and business loans for startups made possible through Community Service Block Grant-ARRA funds and an excellent partnership with the Sunshine Savings Bank in Tallahassee. Nine new micro-businesses originated in September 2010 - seven of them continue to thrive today in this tough economy.

Finally, it's been around 48 years since President Lyndon B. Johnson first introduced legislation unofficially termed 'the War on Poverty', during his State of the Union address on January 8, 1964. This 'Great Society' legislation, based on the profile from Wikipedia.com was proposed by Mr. Johnson in response to a then national poverty rate of around 19 percent.

Conrad Hilton, founder of Hilton hotels summed it up best when he said, "success seems to be connected with action. Successful men and women keep moving. They make mistakes, but they don't quit." Thanks to the due diligence of Ms. Dot Inman-Johnson and her dedicated staff at CACAA the number of people living in poverty has found a hand-up and not just a handout. As a result, businesses and citizens of the eight counties served by CACAA are now better equipped to help poor people become more self-sufficient, and ultimately live more sustainable lives.

"Many poor people in north Florida and South Georgia, as well as east Alabama have been tremendously blessed because of her vision and values," concludes Gene Hall.

Rev. Gene Hall is secretary of the executive board of directors for CACAA. To comment on this article, or for concerns, contact Rev. Hall at ghallboard@yahoo.com or 850-321-6673.

ALTRUSA KICKS-OFF MONTHLY MEETINGS AND PREVIEW PARTY



Altrusa of Monticello members are busy preparing, from their summer hiatus, a meeting and preview party scheduled for Thursday, September 13. The first business meeting of the 2012-2013 year will be held on at noon at the FUMC Family Life Center.

The new officers taking the lead and charge this year are: President Anita Ashworth, Vice President Joyce Sealey, Secretaries Christina Newell and Allene Sandell, and Treasurer Jane Vollertsen, as well as the Board of Directors lead by Pat Cichon, Peggy Day, Dianne Westbrook, Susan Whitson and Past President Linda Benedict.

Altrusa will meet on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month. At the September 27 program/meeting, Altrusa members will host their District Three Governor Beverly Hardy. Also speaking will be Tourist Development Director Nancy Wideman.

Altrusa's first fundraiser of the year will be a 'Preview Party', featuring the Opera House Stage Company production of Agatha Christie's 'The Mousetrap'. Often cited as one of

Christie's best mysteries, 'The Mousetrap' is celebrating its 60th Anniversary on the London stage. The play takes place at Monkswell Manor where guests are marooned during a blizzard. There's been a murder in London that is connected to one of the Manor's residents. Is he or she the next victim or the murderer?

The Preview Party begins at 6 p.m. with hors d'oeuvres and wine provided by Altrusa members. The show begins in the upstairs theatre at 7 p.m. Tickets cost is \$20 per person and can be purchased from any Altrusa member.

Altrusa of Monticello is a service organization that supports local scholarships, local food banks, the Healthyways children's literacy programs, 4H Camps, local library programs and services, Support Our Soldiers, Bunny Love, Make A Difference Day, and Hands-On Service at the local nursing homes.

If you have any questions about this article or about Altrusa membership, contact Linda Benedict at 850-766-4997, or Dianne Westbrook at 850-997-2973.

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commercial. The Rural Development loan also requires that the city establish and fund a debt service reserve fund equal to 10 percent of the annual payments, or \$22,203 annually. This reserve fund must be maintained over the life of the loan, or at least until the equivalent of one annual installment has been reserved. The reserve is intended as emergency fund to deal with emergency maintenance and repair issue or to pay the debt payments should the need arise.

Additionally, the city

must deposit \$7,000 per year in an asset management reserve for short-lived assets.

The reason for new treatment plant is that the existing plant is at risk of failing as a result of structural problems caused by defects in its construction. Meaning that its walls are bowing and in danger of collapsing, apparently the cause of structural problems the then engineers failed to catch during the plant's construction in the early 90s. The new facility is supposed to last a minimum of 50 years, according to the current engineers.

Remapping

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contain a wealth of information on the county's topography, elevations, soils, zoning and political districts, among other valuable information.

The remapping, the expert cautioned at the time, would affect flood insurance rates for both the better and the worse. Meaning that properties then identified as not being in floodplains might well be found to be; conversely, properties then identified as being in floodplains might well be found not to be, with the result that the first would be required to carry flood insurance and the second could drop it.

Whatever the out-

come, the remapping was sure to affect a percentage of property owners and prove controversial with some, the experts warned at the time.

Which partly explains why the results of the remapping project are being made available to public viewing. It is to allow for comments and correction of the findings before the product is finalized and forwarded to FEMA.

At the time the state officials informed the local officials about the project, the nationwide map modernization program was supposedly already in its fifth year.

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regional and state boards; appoint county coordinators or county administrators; and develop policies and procedures for the county's management.

The one School Board race yet to be decided is District 1. The two candidates in this nonpartisan race are Phil Barker and Ann Her-ring.

School boards, per Florida law, are responsible

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Remember 9/11 And The Lives Lost

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On this 11th Anniversary of September 11, 2001 plan to spend an hour with others in the community remembering that tragic day and all the innocent loss of lives. Let's honor those who lost their lives, and recognize those who unselfishly gave their lives helping others.

This Sunday, September 9, 2012, come celebrate America and remember the lives lost, from 6 to 7 p.m. in the Family Ministry Center at the First United Methodist Church. This gathering is not a religious or church affiliated event. It is organized by a small group of caring and concerned local individuals who love America and respect the freedoms we all enjoy.

The program will begin with a Welcome from Chaplin Len Dodson, USN, ret.; Invocation by Rev. Wayne Cook; the Reading of Proclamation by County Commissioner Hines Boyd; Posting of Colors by the JCMHS JROTC Color Guard and 1st Sgt. Tony Walker; and the Pledge of Allegiants and National Anthem will be performed by CWO Kent Watson, USA.

There will be Patriotic Singing and the reading of Monday/Tuesday by Diane and Clyde Simpson.

JC School Superintendent Bill Brumfield will introduce the top three 9/11 Essay contestants: 1st place winner Jakiyah Robinson, JES 3rd grade; 2nd place winner Nyomi White, JES 4th grade; and 3rd place winner Ryan Long, JES 4th grade. They will each read their winning essay.

Chaplin Dodson will say a Prayer for the Nation; 'Let There

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Be Peace On Earth' will be sung in unison by all in attendance, followed by the Retirement of the Colors and ending with Taps performed by JCMHS Band Director Ryan Lambright.

"We should remember 9/11/01. The national boundaries are not as clear as those of World War II. It is now eleven years since the attack on the Twin Towers in New York City, the attack on the Pentagon in Washington, D.C. and the ill-fated plane bound for either the Capitol or the White House that was wrest from the hands of the hijackers and taken control by the passengers (all on board perished when the plane crashed in Pennsylvania.) We dare not forget those who did not have a choice to escape this attack. First responders, police, firemen, EMT's and ordinary citizens were responding to these targets on that day. Defying the odds, they heroically rushed to the scenes of carnage and tried to save as many lives as possible. We must not forget! We must remember these brave men and women who distinguished themselves in their selfless efforts." L. Dodson

An American flag should be displayed outside every home, apartment, office and store in the United States on this day. Every individual should make it their duty to display an American flag on this 11th Anniversary of one of our country's worst tragedies. We do this to honor those who lost their lives, their families and their friends on September 11, 2001. Keep in prayer those loved ones who continue to endure the pain, and those who today are fighting at home and abroad to preserve our cherished freedoms.

In the days, weeks and months following 9/11, our country was bathed in American flags as citizens mourned the incredible losses and stood shoulder-to-shoulder against terrorism. Sadly, those flags have all but disappeared. Our patriotism pulled us through some tough times and it shouldn't take another attack to galvanize us in solidarity. Our American flag is the fabric of our country and together we can prevail over terrorism of all kinds. God Bless You and God Bless America.

Fly Your American Flag. Fly Old Glory High And Proud!

The plot of land known for a decade as "ground zero" has been transformed into a memorial consisting of two serene reflecting pools ringed by the engraved names of the nearly 3,000 souls lost.

Visitors are now allowed to walk among hundreds of white oak trees on the eight-acre site and gaze at the water on the exact spots where the World Trade Center's twin towers stood. They are also able to run their fingers over the chiseled-in-bronze names of the 2,977 people killed in the terrorist attacks in New York, at the Pentagon and in Pennsylvania, as well as the six slain during the bombing of the trade center in 1993. Electronic directories with a "Find a Name" button will help people locate their loved ones.

Admission is free, but access is tightly controlled. Visitors need to obtain passes in advance, allowing them to enter only at a specified time. No more than about 1,500 people at a time will be allowed in.

The cost of the memorial and museum has been put at about \$700 million, with an annual operating budget of \$50 million to \$60 million. The organizers have raised about \$400 million from private donations and are seeking federal funds so that the memorial and the museum can be free of charge.

The centerpiece of the memorial is the two giant, square pits and reflecting pools that sit in the footprints of the two towers. The waterfalls cascading down the four walls of each fountain are the largest such fountains in North America.

Skyscrapers are now pushing upward all around the plaza, and the roar of construction will be a constant at the site for some time.

One World Trade Center, the spire once called the Freedom Tower, is now 1,000 feet high and well on its way to becoming the tallest building in the U.S. at 1,776 feet - higher even than the twin towers. The steel skeleton of the new 4 World Trade Center is 47 stories high and counting.

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ago and what it symbolizes for them today.

In related news, Chief Watson added that the JROTC Color Guard had been invited to post and retire the colors during the 9-11 observance set for Sunday, September 9 at 6 p.m. at FUMC.

Leonard Bromby
State Representative
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"The hero dead cannot expire:
The dead still play their part."
-Charles Sangster-

Peace cannot be achieved through violence, it can only be attained through understanding."
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Jefferson County Living

SRWMD Commissioner Cole Talks Water With Rotary



Rotary President Neill Wade thanks guest speaker Dr. George Cole for updating the membership on the SRWMD services and programs on August 31, 2012.

Dr. George Cole, a member of Governing Board of the Suwannee River Water Management District (SRWMD), spoke to local Rotarians on August 31 about long-term trends in aquifer recharge and about SRWMD services and programs.

Cole, a professional engineer and surveyor with a PhD in Geography, notes that data analysis indicates a decrease in the aquifer level over the past 30-years. The cause of the decrease is not clear, however most of the recharge occurs in floodplains within the district; and the most intense demand for use occurs outside the district.

Effective SRWMD programs to address water issues include 1) Coordination meetings between SRWMD and the St. Johns Water Management District

and the State of Georgia; 2) Development of a better model to access the impacts of water use requests; and 3) Water conservation and reuse programs.

Cole commented that in Jefferson County 8,000 acres along the Aucilla River have been acquired for floodplain protection. The Suwannee River Partnership programs save near to one-billion gallons using methods of impoundment and water reuse. Implementation of 'Best Management Practices' like the use of moisture sensors can save 32,000 gallons per acre.

Rotary's motto is 'Service Above Self' and clean water is a major of area of focus for Rotary worldwide. To learn more about Monticello Rotary, contact Neill Wade at 850-342-0196.



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

September 7-29
Jefferson Arts will exhibit the works of Nan Liu through the month of September. The Gallery is open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Wednesdays and Saturdays at 575 West Washington Street in downtown Monticello. For more information about The Arts or about its fall art classes for children and adults, call 850-997-3311 or go to info@jeffersonarts-gallery.com or www.jeffersonartsgallery.com.

September 7
Chamber Ribbon Cutting at 9:30 a.m. on Friday at The Daffodale House, 620 West Washington Street. Meet Innkeepers Cathy and Scottie Ebberbach and learn about all the amenities their Bed and Breakfast has to offer.

September 7
Ashville Area Volunteer Fire Department meets 6:30 p.m. on the first Friday of each month at the fire station. Contact John Staffieri at 850-997-6807 for more details.

September 7
Rotary meets at 12 p.m. on Friday at the First Presbyterian Church, in the fellowship hall, for lunch and a meeting with a program and speaker. Contact President Neill Wade at 850-342-0196 for more information.

September 7
Monticello Jamboree Band will perform music for dancing at 7 p.m. every Friday evening at 625 South Water Street, in the old JCHS gym. There will be doorprizes, cold soft drinks and snacks. Everyone is welcome to come dance, listen to some of the finest music and just enjoy the fun and camaraderie with neighbors and friends. This is a non-profit charitable organization. For questions or concerns contact Curtis Morgan at 850-933-8136 or Bobby Connell at 850-445-0049.

September 8
Dixie Community Center is open on Saturday nights for an evening of music and dance with live local

band 'Half-N-Half Four' from 7 to 10 p.m. Refreshments and good fellowship are available during intermission. For more information contact Kenneth Price at 1-229-263-7231. DCC is a nonprofit organization.

September 8
Scarlet O'Hatters will meet at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, in the Winn Dixie parking area, near to the Pizza Hut. The group will carpool together, at 11:15 a.m. sharp, on a 'Mystery Trip,' in town. Ladies are to be dressed for a 'Western' themed luncheon and program. The day will be casual and will take place outdoors but under shelter, rain or shine. The Red Hats usually meet on the second Saturday of the month at a location of their choosing for a luncheon meal and a fabulous time of fun and friendship. For more information about this month's meeting contact Hostess Fran Black at 850-997-1711. For more information about the Red Hat Society contact Queen Mum Pat Muchowski at 850-997-0688 or Mary Cremeans at 850-997-3153. Load em up... and move em out... and don't be late!

September 8
Artisans and Growers Marketplace from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday at Johnston's Meat Market, 1480 West Washington. For more information contact Coordinator Anne Holt at 850-576-0721 or ahholt@ahholt.com

September 10
Main Street Mixer 6:30 p.m. on Thursday at the Avera Clarke B&B, on the garden patio after a short Board meeting, to begin at 6 p.m.

September 10
Big Bend Horseman's Association meets at 7 p.m. on the second Monday at Green Industries Institute for a brief program and meeting. This is an open horse club for all breeds. Everyone is welcome. Go to www.bigbendhorse.com for more information.

September 10
Jefferson County Lions Club Monday Night BINGO at the Capitol City BP Travel Center, in the Big Bend Family Restaurant, 2716 Gamble Road, Lloyd (Interstate 10, Exit 217, Highway 59.) Doors and snack bar open at 5 p.m., early bird BINGO at 5:30 p.m. and BINGO session at 7:00 p.m. Call 850-997-3538 for directions. JCLC is a non-profit organization, raising funds for area residents in need. All are welcome to come have fun, play and win! Help the JCLC by contributing to others. Remember... one free Jackpot BINGO card for every eyeglass and non-perishable food item donation! Contact Lion June at 850-997-1754 for more information.

September 10
Al-Anon meetings are held at 8 p.m. every Monday at the Anglican Church, 124 Jefferson Avenue in Thomasville. For more information go to www.al-anon.alateen.org

September 10
AA women's meetings are held on Mondays at 6:45 p.m.; AA meetings follow at 8 p.m., at the Christ Episcopal Church Annex, 425 North Cherry Street. For more information, call 850-997-2129 or 850-997-1955.

September 11
AA classes are held every Tuesday at 8 p.m. for those seeking help. The classes are held at the Harvest Christian Center, 1599 Springhollow Road. Contact Marvin Graham, pastor, at 850-212-7669 for more information.

September 11
The Palmer Place Book Club will meet from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday this month at The Palmer Place to discuss the book selected, 'Thirteen Moons,' by Charles Frazier. For directions or to inquire about a copy of the book contact Abi Vandervest at 850-997-4607 or email to douwahnadance@yahoo.com.

Today's Marketing Tools Seminar

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Business Analyst Christine S. Urban, with the Small Business Development Center at FAMU, will present a free seminar, 'Basic Concepts of Social Media as Today's Marketing Tools,' for anyone interested.

This free workshop will be held on Tuesday, September 18 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Monticello/Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce, located at 420 West Washington Street in downtown Monticello.

The seminar is organized by Jefferson County Small Business Development Program Director Dallas Garrett, PhD. Reservations can be made to him at 850-997-2185, or email to dgarrett@jeffersoncountyfl.gov.

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†† Obituary ††

Mary Elizabeth Hanks

Mary Elizabeth Hanks, 86, a retired registered nurse, passed away Tuesday, September 4, 2012, in Monticello, Florida.

Funeral services will be graveside at 11 a.m. on Saturday, September 8, 2012, at Roseland Cemetery, in Monticello. There will be a reception at the First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall immediately following the service. Donations may be made to Guatemala 2012 Mission Team FUMC of Monticello, 325 W. Walnut St., Monticello, Florida 32344, supporting Porch de Soloman.

Because of the nature of her husband's vocation, Mary, a native of Miami, Florida, lived in Sopchoppy, West Palm Beach, Orlando, Gainesville, Fort Pierce, Raleigh, North Carolina and Wadsworth, Ohio. She and her husband moved to Monticello in 1986 when he was appointed pastor of the First United Methodist Church. She lived out her strong Christian beliefs in loving others and especially, caring for the members of her family. The best way to describe Mary as wife, mother, and grandmother is as follows: "Her children arise and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her." Her favorite scripture was Proverbs 3: 5-6, "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make your paths straight."

Mrs. Hanks is survived by her husband of sixty one years, Reverend Carl Hanks of Monticello; three sons Steven Hanks (Tammy) of Los Angeles, California, David Hanks (Andrea) of Atlanta, Georgia and Gregory Hanks of Pasadena, California; and nine grandchildren; a niece Cindy Ingersol of Colorado Springs, Colorado, and a nephew Johnny Harris of Apopka, Florida.

CHURCH NEWS NOTES

September 8

Philadelphia Missionary Baptist Church will host a Saturday Prayer Breakfast beginning at 9 a.m. Rev. Ernest Bruton, pastor.

September 8

Transforming Life Church will host a Fish Fry from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday. This is a fundraiser for the planned Transforming Activity Center, offering afterschool programs and community outreach. The cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children ages 12 and under. TLC is located just ¼ mile east of Gamble Road at 1206 Springfield Road in the Lloyd area. For more information and directions go to the church website at www.transforming-lifechurch.com or call the church office at 850-997-8527.

September 8

StoryTime Ministry is held from 1 to 2 p.m. every other Saturday at the Jefferson County Bailar Public Library. For more information contact First United Methodist Church Ministry Chairman Barbara Hobbs at 850-523-1813.

September 9

New Bethel AME Church will hold its church conference for the 2012-2013 year on Sunday immediately following the 11 a.m. Morning Worship Service. All are asked to attend. Rev. Jimmie F. Dickey, pastor.

September 9

One Heart Earth Center Sunday of Silence on Sunday anytime between 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Come stretch your body. Be led into meditation. Reflect on your life. Rest your thoughts. Be served a delicious, nutritious meal. Bask in the beauty of the garden. Relish a time away. Gentle Hatha Yoga stretches will be offered at 10 a.m., with instructor Joy Moore, for those interested. A vegetarian lunch will be served at noon. Donations are accepted. If you do plan to attend, call ahead for food preparation purposes only, to 850-

997-7373, or email to www.oneheartearthcenter.org. Sunday of Silence is usually held every second Sunday of each month. The next Sunday of Silence is scheduled for October 14. Your presence is welcomed. Invite a friend.

September 11

Sons of Allen of the Union Bethel Circuit meets monthly on the second Tuesday from 7 to 8 p.m., rotating between the Elizabeth and Union Bethel AME churches. Encouraging young men and older males to come be part of the meetings. If you have any questions, contact President Leman Ulee at 850-274-6268.

September 13

Bible Study is held at 7 p.m. every Thursday at the Lloyd Woman's Club. Join with Elder Linda D. Ross for an evening of Christian faith. For more information contact her at 850-322-3424.

September 14

Tent of the Holy Guests offers prayer for the sick and a special scripture message every Friday at 7:30 p.m. The Tent is located at 295 West Palmer Mill in Monticello.

September 15

Children's Support Services Department of Covenant Hospice is sponsoring a one-day grief support camp called Camp Monarch from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Saturday. This is a unique camp for children and adolescents ages five to 15 who have recently experienced the loss of a loved one. 'Nature and Adventure' will be complete with activities, nature exploration and games tailored for different age groups, including an obstacle course, fishing, jewelry making and much more. The camp will be held at the Beau Turner Youth Conservation Center located at 9194 South Jefferson Highway in Lamont and is free to all participants. Lunch and snacks are included. Parents are invited to attend a group meeting at 3:00 p.m. The

deadline for registration is Monday, September 10. To register for Camp Monarch, or for more information, contact Bobbie Massey, LCSW or Erik Persson, LCSW at 850-575-4988. They can also be reached by email at bobbie.massey@covenanthospi.org.

September 19

First Presbyterian Church will host EaglesWings, a ministry of outreach, serving the community on the first and third Wednesday of each month from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Volunteers are always welcome to distribute food items and to donate non-perishable food items. Call and leave a message for JoAnne Arnold at 850-997-2252 or go to eaglewingsmonticello@yahoo.com or www.firstpresbyterian-monticello.org.

September 20

First United Methodist Church of Monticello will host a six-session Grief Support Group beginning on Thursday, and continuing through October 25. The sessions will be held in the FUMC Family Ministry Center from 3:00 to 4:30 p.m. Elizabeth Robinson, MS. MSW will facilitate the group. Pre-registration is required; call Robinson at 850-210-9239.

September 21, 22

Second Harvest Food Program, together with the churches of New Bethel AME, Elizabeth MB, Hickory Hill MB, Mt. Pleasant AME and Philadelphia MB, will provide food to anyone needing assistance including the needy, infants and the elderly. This is done monthly with distribution from 8 to 9 a.m. usually on the fourth Saturday at the New Bethel AME Church located at 6496 Ashville Highway. Volunteers are also welcome to come on Friday evening at 6:30 p.m. to help bag the food packages. Contact Nellie Randall at 850-997-5605 or 850-997-6929 to volunteer or for more information about this program.



FRAN HUNT
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Staff Writer

Far too often, our nation, state and community as a whole, take for granted the freedoms and liberties all Americans enjoy, especially our youth.

We all need to realize these freedoms and liberties are the remains of a debt paid with sacrifices of limbs, emotions, and the ultimate sacrifice, life.

It is the obligation of all Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Posts and Auxiliaries to enlighten and educate as many individuals as possible that nothing comes without cost and/or sacrifice. What our veterans have encountered is meaningless without the remembrance and recognition from us, the beneficiaries of the fruits of their labor.

Each year the VFW and Ladies Auxiliary make a concerted effort to foster a renewed sense of patriotism in our community and school, to promote, connect, create and sustain growth and development of "honoring our fallen and present military veterans," through their program promotions, while nurturing patriotic ideals.

The Voice of Democracy (VOD) and Patriot's Pen (PP) contests give middle and high school students an opportunity to participate and compete for local, state and national recognition, as well as garner millions of dollars in scholarships, awards and other incentives.

These writing and recorded dialogues enhance and improve speaking and writing skills, as well as help build self-confidence.

The 2012-2013 VOD theme is, "Is Our Constitution Still Relevant?" The three to five minute audio

essay entry should be typed with a labeled cassette or CD. No names should be on any materials except for the folder or envelope and completed registration form.

The Patriot's Pen theme is, "What I Would Tell Our Founding Fathers." Students should submit a 300-400 word typed essay expressing their opinion on this topic. No name is permitted on the essay, only on the registration form, folder or envelope.

"Promoting these programs and other patriotic activities and events is the Post's and Auxiliary's way of perpetuating our efforts of nurturing Patriotic and American ideals. With the strong emphasis on the FCAT, we would hope the essay contests would be reviewed as an enhancement to the school's writing program," said Ladies Auxiliary Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 251 President Mary Madison.

She added, "There is no pressure on the classroom teachers because we offer our assistance and guidance, and we will critique each entry. We encourage students, parents and administrative personnel to take advantage of this opportunity offered to our bright scholars."

With the countless number of military men and women in our community, and the wealth of knowledge they possess, these contestants can gain first-hand knowledge or pride and service in the military. They can gain excellent information to contemplate, write or record.

For further information and registration forms, go to the VFW website at www.vfw.org and click on community and select programs, or call VFW Post 251 Commander Ned Hill at (850) 562-6235 or Auxiliary President Mary Madison at (850) 997-4504 or 210-7090.

God Squad Power Club To Meet Weekly



DEBBIE SNAPP
ECB Publishing
Staff Writer

The God Squad Power Club will begin meeting on Saturday mornings from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at 650 East York Street in Monticello.

For more information about this group of youngsters contact Barbara Whaley at 850-997-0832 or 850-997-5556 on Saturdays.



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Outdoors

Number of Hunters and Anglers On The Rise

Highlighting the reversal of decades of declining numbers, Secretary of the Interior Ken Salazar announced the preliminary results of a comprehensive national survey of outdoor recreation showing a significant increase in hunters and a double-digit increase in anglers over the past five years.

"Seeing more people fishing, hunting, and getting outdoors is great news for America's economy and conservation heritage," said Salazar. "Outdoor recreation and tourism are huge economic engines for local communities and the country, so it is vital that we continue to support policies and investments that help Americans get outside, learn to fish, or go hunting. That is why, through President Obama's America's Great Outdoors initiative, we have been focused on helping Americans rediscover the joys of casting a line, passing along family hunting traditions, and protecting the places they love."

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's 2011 National Survey of Fishing, Hunting, and Wildlife-Associated Recreation found that hunters nationwide increased by nine percent while anglers grew by 11 percent. Nearly 38 percent of all Americans participated in wildlife-related recreation in 2011, an increase of 2.6 million participants from the previous survey in 2006. They spent \$145 billion on related gear, trips and other purchases, such as licenses, tags and land leasing and ownership, representing one percent of the nation's gross domestic product.



forms of wildlife-related recreation nationwide.

"State agencies, hunters and anglers are the key funders of fish and wildlife conservation through their license and gear purchases," said Dr. Jonathan Gassett, Commissioner of the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Resources Commission and President of the Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies. "An increase in participation and expenditure rates means that agencies can continue to restore and improve habitat and fish and wildlife species, bring more youth into the outdoors and provide even greater access to recreational activities."

The U.S. Census Bureau interviewed 48,627 households across the country to obtain samples of sportspeople and wildlife watchers for detailed interviews. Information was collected through computer-assisted telephone and in-person interviews.

The Survey is funded through a Multi-State Conservation Grant from the Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration Program, which celebrates 75 years of conservation success in 2012.

The preliminary report is the first in a series that the Service will release. The next report of preliminary findings will contain State data and will be available in the coming months. In late November, the National Report with more detail participation and expenditure estimates will be available online. From December 2012 to May 2013, the 50 State reports will be released on a rolling basis.

"The Fish and Wildlife Service is dedicated to connecting people and families with nature," said Fish and Wildlife Service Director Dan Ashe. "We look forward to continuing to work with the States, non-governmental organizations, and additional partners to help keep recreational fishing, hunting, and wildlife watching going strong for people across America's great outdoors."

Other key findings include:

- In 2011, 13.7 million people, six percent of the U.S. population 16 years old and older, went hunting. They spent \$34.0 billion on trips, equipment, licenses, and other items in 2011, an average of \$2,484 per hunter.

- More than 33 million people 16 and older fished in 2011, spending \$41.8 billion on trips, equipment, licenses, and other items, an average of \$1,262 per angler.

- More than 71 million people engaged in wildlife watching in 2011, spending \$55.0 billion on their activities.

At the request of state fish and wildlife agencies, the Fish and Wildlife Service has been conducting the national survey every five years since 1955. It is viewed as one of the nation's most important wildlife-related recreation databases and the definitive source of information concerning participation and purchases associated with hunting, fishing and other

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Sports

SHERIFF'S ANNUAL CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT HUGE SUCCESS



First flight winners Benny Bishop, Marty Bishop, Bobby Plaines, and Terry Day with a 12 under par.



Second flight winners Clay Courson, Chris Peary, Paul Peebles and OJ Sloan with an 11 under par.



Sheriff David Hobbs and Deputy Marie McClamma.

FRAN HUNT
ECB Publishing
Staff Writer

The fourth annual Sheriff's Charity Golf Tournament, held Saturday, August 25 at the Jefferson Country Club, was a huge success. The event raised over \$15,000 and donations are still coming in.

This year's proceeds will go to benefit the Florida Sheriff's Boys Ranch, Jefferson County Relay for Life and Jefferson Senior Center.

The tournament format was a best-ball scramble shotgun format with four golfers on each team.

It was a beautiful sunny day for rounds of golf.

There were three flights with five teams in each flight. However, there were a total of 16 teams and 64 golfers.

Mulligans were made available and following the tournament, golfers enjoyed a delicious seafood buffet dinner.

Winning teams in the first flight included; first place winners, the team of Benny Bishop, Marty Bishop, Bobby Plaines, and Terry Day with a 12 under par. They won Adams drivers and accessories; the second place winning team was Sammy Hicks, Bill Gunnells, Casey Gunnells, and Keith Oslowski with an 11 under par. They won Adams 3 woods and accessories; and the third place team in the first flight was Merle Zinck, Drew

Demott, Chad Bass, and Heath Bass with an 11 under par. They won Adams wedges and accessories.

In the second flight, the winners included; in first place, the team of Clay Courson, Chris Peary, OJ Sloan, and Paul Peebles with an 11 under par. They won Adams drivers and accessories; second place winners were Rusty Hamrick, Thad Beshears, Brian Searcy, and Zac Mathis with a 10 under par. They won Adams 3 woods and accessories; and third place winners Stephen Greer, Scott Taylor, Casey Kinker, and David Boss with a nine under par. They won Adams wedges and accessories.

In the third and final flight of the day, winning first place was the team of Brian Sanders, Ray Lacy, Stan Bailey, and Hansel Nelson with five under par. They won Adams drivers and accessories; second place winners included Dixon Hughes, Cricket Edwards, Caleb Burnette, and Matt Bishop with four under par. They won Adams 3 woods and accessories; and the third place winners in the third flight were Carl Peterson, John Jolly, Phil Barker, and Roy Kinsey with three under par. They won Adams wedges and accessories.

The long drive contest winner was Marty Bishop. He won a new Adams cart bag.

The women's long drive contest winner was

Cricket Edwards. She won a New Odyssey putter.

The long putt winner was Eric Hall with a 36-foot, eight-inch putt. He won a New Titleist Scotty Cameron putter.

Once again, there were also Hole-In-One prizes offered at each of the four par three holes. Prizes such as Callaway irons, Sharp LCD flat

screen TV and \$10,000 were up for grabs, but there were no Hole-In-One winners during the tournament this year.

Sheriff David Hobbs wished to thank all donors, golfers and contributors for all of their support and making this year's Charity Golf Tournament, the success it was. "Thank you all very much," he concluded.



Due To Technical Difficulties The Tie-Breaker Was Not Updated In The Wednesday September 5, 2012 Paper

Contest Form

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Tie-Breaker -FAMU @ Oklahoma (Final Score)



Eric Hall won the long putt contest with a distance of 36 feet, eight inches.



Third flight winners Brian Sanders, Ray Lacy, Stan Bailey, and Hansel Nelson with five under par.



Second place winners in the third flight included Dixon Hughes, Cricket Edwards, Caleb Burnette, and Matt Bishop. Here, they are pictured with Sheriff David Hobbs' youngest supporter, Harlan Grace Burnette.

Flood Risk Information Open House

Jefferson County, in partnership with the Northwest Florida Water Management District (NFWFMD) and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) will be conducting a public open house meeting on the preliminary Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRM) and Flood Insurance Study (FIS) for Jefferson County and the following municipalities: Monticello. These new maps are part of FEMA's plan to modernize all flood hazard maps nationwide and will provide better and more accurate floodplain mapping for Jefferson County. These maps will replace the existing FIRMs prepared by FEMA and adopted in 2002. Once adopted, the new maps would be used to determine which properties are located within special flood hazard areas for flood insurance purposes.

The FIS and its preliminary FIRMs will be presented during an Open House for the public, to be held on Tuesday, September 11, 2012 from 4:00pm - 7:00pm at the Monticello Opera House, 185 West Washington Street, Monticello, FL, 32345. During the Open House, representatives from the NFWFMD and FEMA will provide the most current information regarding Jefferson County's flood risk, flood insurance, floodplain development regulations, floodplain mapping and timeline for FIS and FIRM adoption. Local government officials will also be on hand to assist citizens. The preliminary maps and FIS can be viewed online at <http://portal.nfwmdfloodmaps.com>.

Property owners, individuals living in or near the 100-year floodplain, realtors, lenders, and insurance agents may find this Open House particularly informative. All interested persons are welcome. For additional information, please contact: Elaine McKinnon, NFWFMD, at (850) 539-5999 ext. 221.

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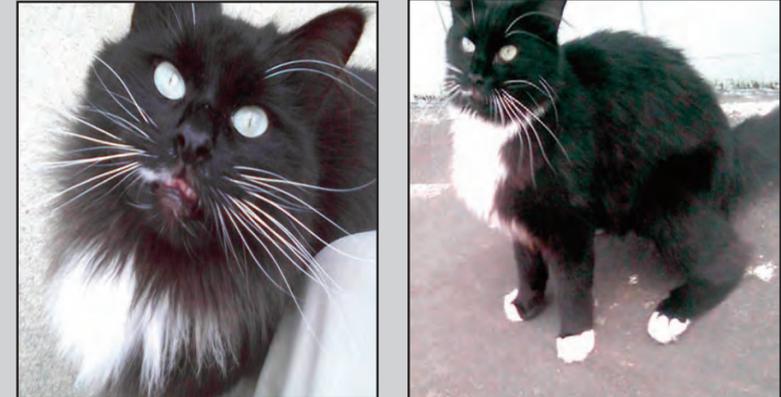
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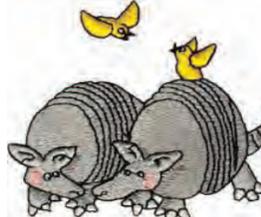
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WHEN: Saturday, September 15, 2012
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TIME: Registration 9:00 a.m.; business meeting 10:00 a.m.
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Tuesday, September 11 3:20 AM *9:20 AM 3:30 PM *9:45 PM	Wednesday, September 12 4:00 AM *10:10 AM 4:20 PM *10:30 PM	Thursday, September 13 4:45 AM *10:50 AM 5:00 PM *11:20 PM	Friday, September 14 5:30 AM *11:30 AM 5:45 PM

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Description of Property: 08-1S-4E-0795-0000-0320 2 Acres
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Name in which assessed: OLD STANDARD LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

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Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Jefferson County Courthouse, north door on the **20th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2012**

Dated this 9th day of August, 2012.

Kirk B. Reams
Clerk of the Court
Jefferson County, Florida

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SRWMD GOVERNING BOARD MEETINGS

On Tuesday, September 11, 2012, the Suwannee River Water Waste Management District's Governing Board will meet as follows:

2:00 P.M. Workshop

3:00 P.M. Board Meeting

5:30 P.M. First Public Hearing on FY 2013 Budget

These meetings are to consider District business and conduct public hearings on regulatory, real estate, and other various matters.

These meetings will be held at District Headquarters in Live Oak, Florida. Public should check the District website or contact the District to confirm that the meeting has not been cancelled or rescheduled.

All meetings, workshops, and hearings are open to the public.

9/7/12

NOTICE

The September meeting of the Jefferson County Tourist Development Council will be held **Monday, September 10th at 9:00 am at the Chamber of Commerce, 425 West Washington**. The rest of the meetings for 2012 will occur at 9:00 am in the Courthouse Annex on the first Monday of each month.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Hubert Hightower, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed.

The certificate number, year of issuance, description of the property and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate Number: 439 Year of Issuance: 2005

Description of Property: 28-1N-4E-0000-0114-0000 1 Acre
In SE ¼ of SE ¼
ORB 406 P 583

Name in which assessed: CALVIN JONES

All of said property being in the County of Jefferson, State of Florida. This property when sold may be subject to the current year taxes.

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Jefferson County Courthouse, north door on the **10th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2012 at 11:00 a.m.**

Dated this 28th day of August, 2012.

Kirk B. Reams
Clerk of the Court
Jefferson County, Florida

9/7/12

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

The Apalachee Regional Planning Council announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited. The Jefferson County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board will meet on Thursday, September 13, 2012, at 10:00 am Eastern Time, at the Jefferson County Health Department Annex, 1175 West Washington Street, Monticello, Florida In addition to its regular business, the agenda will include the adoption of the bylaws, the complaint/grievance procedures and the annual operating report. The board will also review for adoption the Transportation Disadvantaged Service Plan Rate Structure. A public hearing will follow the meeting to which all persons are invited.

If any person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at this meeting, he/she will need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence from which the appeal is to be issued.

For additional information, a copy of the agenda, or if you require special accommodations at the meeting because of a disability or physical impairment, contact Vanita Anderson at the Apalachee Regional Planning Council, 20776 Central Avenue East, Suite 1, Blountstown, Florida 32424 at least five working days prior to the meeting date.

9/7/12

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Donald J. Shemwell, Jr. the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed.

The certificate number, year of issuance, description of the property and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate Number: 932 Year of Issuance: 2010

Description of Property: 21-2N-6E-0600-000A-0370 2.5 Acres
Lot 37, Block A of Aucilla Forest & Meadows Subdivision
ORB 617 P 571

Name in which assessed: DELORES POINDEXTER AND ROBERT JK COCKETT

All of said property being in the County of Jefferson, State of Florida. This property when sold may be subject to the current year taxes.

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Jefferson County Courthouse, north door on the **20th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2012**

Dated this 9th day of August, 2012.

Kirk B. Reams
Clerk of the Court
Jefferson County, Florida

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Donald J. Shemwell, Jr. the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed.

The certificate number, year of issuance, description of the property and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate Number: 52 Year of Issuance: 2010

Description of Property: 00-00-00-0260-0005-0010
Lot 1, Block 5 of Florida Land & Abstract Co. Addition
DB HH P 281

Name in which assessed: VOL ROUNTREE

All of said property being in the County of Jefferson, State of Florida. This property when sold may be subject to the current year taxes.

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Education



Samantha Chubb New JCMHS SS Teacher



Samantha Chubb

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There are 17 new staff members at Jefferson County Middle High School this year, one of which is Samantha Chubb, a new social studies teacher.

Chubb attended Thomas University in Thomasville, GA, where she earned her Bachelor of Science in Secondary Education. She was certified in History/Social Studies for grades 4-12 and certified in Science for grades 4-8.

She is a first year teacher with experience obtained while she was in college.

There is one main

reason she became interested in a teaching career, "I'm here for the kids," she said.

"My main objective this year is that all of my students pass the end of course test and do better than they did last year. Also that they all are present every day possible and master my class," added Chubb.

"What I look forward to most is each day and of course, a great football team," she added.

So what age student does she enjoy teaching the most and why? "I love middle school and high school. I like the fact that they want to ask questions and think for themselves," responded Chubb.

She describes herself as being passionate, detailed, compassionate and hard working.

"I wish to be remembered by my students as someone who cared, and knew their content, who was always there for them as a teacher should be," she said.

Chubb said her strong points are her hon-

esty, her spirituality, her compassion, her attention to detail, her passion, and the fact that she is hard working.

Her biggest challenge in her job is time. "I wish I had more for each class period, but the block schedule is too long," added Chubb.

She finds that her biggest frustration is technical difficulties.

"I was born in Thomasville, GA. I have lived around here my whole life except for one year when I lived in Atlanta for two months and then moved out to Montana," added Chubb.

She is separated and has two daughters, Willa Grace and Rosemary Truth.

Her hobbies include camping, playing guitar and piano, doing anything outdoors, and watching any sport.

Chubb concluded with her favorite quotes. "Ride the biggest waves. Climb the tallest mountains, Love with all your heart. Live out all your passions. Knowledge in youth is wisdom in age."

Ryan Lambright New JCMHS Music Teacher



Ryan Lambright

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There are 17 new staff members this year at Jefferson County Middle High School, one of which is Ryan Lambright, the new music teacher.

Lambright is teaching band, chorus and music appreciation. This is his first job as a music teacher.

Lambright attended the University of South Alabama, where he earned is Music Education Major and Bachelor of Music Degree.

He became interested in being a music teacher due to his love of music and his passion for education.

"The main objective I hope to achieve this year is to inspire the hearts and minds of my current and prospective

students in regards to music and academic success," said Lambright.

"What I look forward to most this year is the success of my students as they bring this music program back from the grave," he added.

Since Lambright is a new teacher, he has not yet formed an opinion of what his favorite age students are.

"I wish to be remembered by my students as being inspirational and sensitive.

He describes himself as being low-key but demanding, knowledgeable but humble, and hard working but flexible. His strong points are his knowledge, confidence, and communication skills.

"I find my biggest challenge to be facilitating the paradigm shift from failure to success and music as entertainment to music as education," said Lambright.

He described his biggest frustration during the day as, "That cranky final 30 minutes before lunch!"

He was born in Tampa, FL but was raised in Avon Park, FL. "I have lived in Avon Park, Port St. Lucie, Tallahassee, West Palm

Beach, Wellington, Mobile (AL), and now I reside in Monticello," he said.

Lambright has one daughter, named Rebecca.

His hobbies include playing music, walking and enjoying all nature has to offer, spending time with friends and family, watching football, and enjoying the occasional video game day.

Lambright concluded with his favorite quotes. "My favorite quotes currently come from an assignment given to my music students today. When asked to describe music, I got the following answers," "Music is like flying in the air."

"Music is without definition - the combination of one's soul and heart. Without it, the entire world would be emotionless. The music contained in one's mind is unconditionally limitless."

"Music is a calm place that can control people and help people define their role and course in life."

"Music is a way of life; it completes people in a way others can't. It is an escape from the stress of life."

AUGUST PARENT OF THE MONTH

Mr. Robert Ingram



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The Jefferson County School Board along with Jefferson Elementary School would like to recognize Mr. Robert Ingram as August Parent of the Month.

Mr. Ingram is a dedicated and involved parent at Jefferson Elementary School which his son attends. He works full time but finds a way to attend PTO meetings, Parent Workshops, other school events and visits his child's school. He knows that there is no perfect

school but believes that being engaged as a parent can help bridge the gap.

The 2nd Annual Parent University was held on August 6-9 and Mr. Ingram was recognized for his attendance each night. He stated that he must be engaged in his children's education in order to make a difference. He also stated that more parents should have attended this event because this was a great start to a winning year.

Mr. Ingram says that he will continue to support the school district along with the Parent Involvement Committee in any way that he can. He feels that the only way to make a difference in a positive way is to truly become involved in your child's education.

Mr. Ingram has proven that Parental Involvement is the key that can unlock the door for success at our schools. He is very pleased with his son's progress in school and knows that his commitment and participation as a parent along with his wife's, make the difference.

Congratulations to Mr. Ingram for being our Parent of the Month!

FREA DISTRICT TWO WORKSHOP SEPTEMBER 11

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The Florida Retired Educators Association (FREA) District Two Leadership Workshop will be hosted by the Jefferson County Retired Educators Association Unit on Tuesday, September 11 at the Serenade Oaks Bed and Breakfast, located at 3866 West Washington Street, Carolyn White, proprietor.

There are six Units in District Two, including Calhoun REA, Gadsden REA, Franklin/Gulf REA, Jefferson REA, Leon/Wakulla REA, and West Jackson REA.

Arlene Oehler is the District Two director.

The FREA Workshop Travel Team consists of Thelma Mosley, FREA president; Catherine Mc-

Cartney, president elect; Faye Murphy, state director; and Marie Grein, treasurer.

until adjournment. During the workshop sessions there will be a Chinese auction, a live auction and a raffle will be conducted.



Workshop activities will begin at 8 a.m. with registration and continental breakfast. Following the breakfast will be the opening session from 8:30 a.m. until 10:15 a.m.; first session, 10:15 a.m. until 10:45 p.m.; second session from 11 a.m. until 11:30 a.m.; Cultural Affairs from 11:30 a.m. until noon. Lunch will be from noon until 1 p.m.; and the general session will be held from 1:15

Past District Two Director, Beverly Kelly is the District's Trustee. The Jefferson County Retired Educators President is Louie Barrington, Jr.

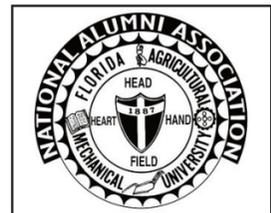
The JCEA is currently conducting a membership drive for interested individuals who are retired and are looking for a group to join who really makes retirement fun.

Call Membership Chairperson Esther Grant at (850) 997-3857 for information and an application.

FAMU Alumni Association Trying To Revitalize In Jefferson County

The Jefferson County Chapter of the FAMU Alumni Association is looking to revive its presence in Jefferson County. If you are interested in being a part of this revitalization, we want to hear from you.

Based on the community's interest, an organizational meeting will be scheduled in the very near



future. You do not have to be a FAMU graduate. Just have a strong interest in implementing and sup-

porting the goals and programs of the FAMU Alumni Association.

Contact Nancy Benjamin at 850-997-4960 or greenf98@yahoo.com or Jacki Seabrooks at 850-322-9667 or jys_211@yahoo.com as soon as possible and express your interest.

Let's Strike, Strike, and Strike Again!

APPROACHING LIFTOFF: REGISTRATION NOW OPEN FOR THE 2013 FLORIDA ASTRONAUT CHALLENGE

Student team registration for the second annual Florida Astronaut Challenge is now open to high-school students across the state (grades 9 through 12).

The 2013 competition follows the successful 2012 Florida Astronaut Challenge that took place on May 19 in Tallahassee. Florida's Astronaut Challenge is an opportunity for students to showcase their knowledge of Science, Technology, Mathematics, and Engineering (STEM), through a series of team-oriented experiments and challenges.

The application deadline for the regional qualifier exam is **Friday, September 28**. Seven five-person teams will be selected from the top scorers of the regional qualifier competition. The regional qualifier exam will be given at three locations in southern, central and northern Florida. During the qualifier exam, students will be asked to respond to 100 multiple-choice questions based on the Student Astronaut Challenge Manual. Students will compete as a five-person team, taking a different version of the test individually and then one composite score will be produced from the av-



erage scores of team members.

Teams that qualify will be invited to contend for first place at the state-level competition on March 8-10, 2013, in Tallahassee, where students will bring their experiments to life using a Mobile NASA Space

Shuttle Flight simulator developed and constructed by Florida State University Lab School. For additional dates and information about the 2013 Astronaut Challenge and to register with your team, visit <http://www.astronautchallenge.com>

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