

## County Receives \$35,000 To Implement FSU Study

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A little more than a month after Economic Development Director Julie Conley informed county officials about a grant that her organization was seeking from the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (FDEO), Conley recently brought back word that the money had been awarded.

"I just wanted to inform you that the FDEO awarded us a \$35,000 grant for development of a concrete plan for the FSU study," Conley told the Jefferson County Commission on Tuesday evening, July 16.

She reiterated that the money would be used to get the needed technical assistance to develop concrete, doable steps for implementation of some of the areas identified in the FSU study. The focus, she said, would specifically be on sustainable agriculture and ecotourism as means to promote economic development.

Conley said Jefferson County was blessed with a wealth of natural resources that made it ideal for the promotion of ecotourism. At the same time, she said, the county still had a viable agricultural sector, along with a grow-



ing number of producers who were engaged in small sustainable operations that were proving successful and popular with a growing segment of the public.

She said next would come the hiring of a consultant to help formulate the plan, a step that was already in progress.

Responding to a question from Commissioner Betsy Barfield, Conley informed the board that the two other grants that the county had been seeking from the FDEO would not be funded. One of the latter applications was for the installation of a natural gas tap in the southern part of the county — a goal that officials have been pursuing for a number of years.

The \$35,000 grant award comes more than a year and a half after the Jefferson County Commission spent \$20,000 to have the Depart-

ment of Urban and Regional Planning at FSU develop a plan to guide this community's growth into the future.

The FSU study was completed and turned over county officials in December 2011.

In the grant application the county submitted to the FDEO on May 30, Coordinator Parrish Barwick characterized the proposal as being "of far-reaching importance and impact for our rural and economically distressed county and, given its unique approach, for other rural communities statewide."

The amount requested was \$65,000 for eight deliverables, but Barwick expressed a willingness to reduce the project's scope in keeping with lesser funding.

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## Service Truck Causes Crash

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A service truck was responsible for a single-vehicle crash on the interstate last week.

Florida Highway Patrol (FHP) reported that on Wednesday, July 24, at 4:41 p.m., Michael Hill, 38, of Tallahassee, was driving a 2002 Ford F-250 service truck, equipped with yellow flashing lights, crossing the median on I-10 at the Turkey Scratch Road overpass at mile-marker 228, from the eastbound lanes to the westbound lanes. He had his flashing yellow lights activated.

Jaxon Lear, 22, of St. Johns, FL, was driving a 2006 Mazda Tribute, traveling westbound on I-10 in the inside lane.

Hill pulled out of the median and into the outside lane, headed west on the westbound side.

Lear changed lanes into the outside lane, and the vehicle ran off of the roadway on the north side and continued in a northwest direction. The front of the vehicle collided with a road sign, and turned counterclockwise, to face west and came to a rest.

Hill pulled his vehicle over on the north shoulder.

Lear claimed that he changed lanes into the outside lane to avoid a collision with Hill. Lear said that when Hill continued into the outside lane, he was forced off of the roadway to avoid a collision.

Hill was charged with improper lane change, no proof of insurance, and faulty equipment notice.

FHP did not deem the crash to be alcohol-related.

Both drivers were wearing their seatbelts, and uninjured.

Hill's vehicle was undamaged.

Lear's vehicle sustained \$500 damage.

The Jefferson County Sheriff's Office and Jefferson County Fire Rescue/EMS assisted FHP Trooper Nathan K. Stidham on the scene.

## School Board Workshop Helps Clear Up Some Financial Items

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A recent workshop of the Jefferson County School Board did much to dispel some board members' confusion over the monthly financial reports generated by Chief Financial Officer (CFO) Robert Lloyd and the district's general financial situation.

Lloyd's explanation, that is, satisfied all but School Board Member Shirley Washington, who continued to insist that the reports lacked clarity and failed to provide a breakdown of specific revenues and expenditures in the local, state and federal categories.

"I don't see it," Washington said toward the end of the hour or so workshop on Monday, July 8, "Nothing you have said has helped. It sounds good and the other board members are eating it up, but while you've been talking, I've been digesting the information in this report, and I'm not convinced."

"That's part of your problem, that you don't listen," responded Lloyd. "We'll never satisfy you." The brief exchange under-



scored the somewhat testy relationship between the two since Lloyd's hiring in January and Washington's vocal opposition to the hiring.

Ever since, Washington has complained that the monthly financial reports contain incomplete or incorrect information; that they are nearly impossible to decipher; and that they fail to account for specific monies, as did the reports of the former CFO.

Washington has just often taken her colleagues to task, warning that their lack of scrutiny of the numbers and their complacency with the reports will eventually prove to the district's disadvantage.

To which accusations Lloyd has just as often responded that the alleged missing information is indeed contained in the reports, and if Washington failed to find it, the prob-

lem was more with her than with the document.

Washington, it must be pointed out, wasn't always satisfied with the prior CFO, whom she (Washington) at times also pointedly questioned.

Be that as it may, the workshop on Monday was supposed both to clear the air and give the School Board members a better understanding of the makeup of the financial reports.

Even so, Lloyd started the proceeding a tad on the defensive, offering that he wasn't exactly certain as to the purpose of the meeting, other than the apparent confusion of some board member over the budget numbers and the monthly printout, called the green bar.

Lloyd gave a detailed explanation of the two documents, showing how and where their numbers matched and pointing out that monies were indeed broken down into specific categories for the local, state and federal funding.

One of the points he emphasized was that "the numbers are reconciled to the penny every month."

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## County Considering Upkeep Of Some Non-County Roads



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An Old Spanish adage states that if a frog goes often enough to the pond, it will eventually fall in.

Which is another way of saying that if citizens approach officials often enough on a particular issue, they will sometimes get satisfaction.

Such is the case with residents asking county officials for help with the upkeep of private subdivision roads.

After numerous appeals to the Jefferson County Commission over the years, it appears that residents of private subdivisions may get some county help with the maintenance of their roads.

It's far from a done deal yet; the commission wants County Coordinator Parrish Barwick to draft a policy detailing how exactly the county will respond to such requests by setting up the applicable guidelines, criteria and fees.

But for residents of two subdivisions declared pilot program, relief should come fairly soon. The two subdivisions designated pilot programs were Valley View, off US90 West, and Casa Bianca, off Old Lloyd Road.

Representatives of the two subdivisions were present to plead their respective cases before the commission on Tuesday evening, July 16. Representatives of the two subdivisions expressed the willingness and ability to pay for the service and pay upfront if necessary.

Commissioner Hines Boyd raised the issue, allowing in his introduction that the maintenance of private roads was a problem that came before the board periodically and it was one he believed the commission could resolve.

For his part, Boyd said, he preferred to call them non-county roads, as opposed to private roads. His reasoning, he said, was that members of the **Please See ROADS Page 3**

## City May Up Donations To Local Organizations

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The combined total that six civic/nonprofit organizations are seeking from the city in contributions for the coming fiscal year is \$43,000 — \$24,000 more than what they received during the current fiscal year.

The Monticello City Council learned of the organizations' formal requests at a budget workshop on Thursday evening, July 11.

The six organizations requesting the funding were the Economic Development Council, seeking \$8,000; Main Street of Monticello, seeking \$10,000; the Fourth of July Fireworks Committee, seeking \$1,000; the Monticello Opera House, seeking \$8,000; the Monticello/Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce, seeking \$9,000; and the Jefferson County Humane Society, seeking \$7,000.

All told, the six organizations received a combined \$19,000 in contributions from the city for the current fiscal year, which ends Sept. 30. And \$19,000 was the amount recommended in the initial budget proposal prepared by the City Clerk's office. As of July 23, however, the total amount was increased to \$23,000.

A breakdown of the \$23,000 shows \$6,000 going to the EDC; \$4,000 to Main Street; \$1,000 to the fireworks committee; \$4,000 to the Opera House; \$4,000 to the chamber; and \$4,000 to the Humane Society.

In arguing their individual cases before the council on July 11, each of organizations pointed out their accomplishments on behalf of the city during the last year and what they propose to accomplish with the new funding.

Another common thread, especially with those engaged in business or tourism promotion,

was the idea that momentum was finally beginning to build, in terms of things happening. And, went the argument, if the groups didn't keep up their respective activities, a risk existed that the momentum would peter out. The latter argument was one that informed the presentations of Economic Development Director Julie Conley, speaking on behalf of the Economic Development Council; Dr. Anne Holt, speaking on behalf of Main Street; and Melanie Mays, speaking on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce.

Jeri Kimbrel spoke on behalf of the Humane Society.

The representative for the fireworks committee didn't say much, and no one showed up to represent the Monticello Opera House, an absence duly noted by the council.

In the end, the council made no decision on the requests, as workshop was **Please See DONATIONS Page 3**

## If You're In An Accident, Could Your Loved Ones Be Found?

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If you are involved in an accident or other emergency situation, there are steps you can do to make sure that your loved ones will be notified. This was not the case for Christine Olson's daughter. In 2005, her daughter, Tiffany, was involved in a fatal traffic accident. There was no emergency contact system in place and several hours passed before Ms. Olson was notified of her daughter's passing.

To help others avoid this experience, Ms. Olson approached her legislator and the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles. The results were the start of an emergency contact information system.

To make sure your emergency contact information is available to law en-

forcement, you can enroll online at [www.flhsmv.gov](http://www.flhsmv.gov). Select 'Handle It Online' and then 'Emergency Contact Information'. All you will need is your Florida driver license or ID card number. You will then be able to enter the names, addresses and telephone numbers for two emergency contact people.

The information you give will be stored in a secured, protected database with your driver record or ID card and will only be used to notify designated contacts if you are seriously injured or killed. Only law-enforcement personnel will have access to your information.

Entering your emergency contact information is voluntary, but will give law enforcement immediate access to this information, and will make it easier for them to speak with someone quicker than they might otherwise in case of an emergency.



# Viewpoints

## JEFFERSON COUNTY CRIME BEAT

All information is printed as taken from the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office. All Suspects Should Be Considered Innocent Until Proven Guilty In A Court Of Law

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Perry Milton McNeil, 58, of Sugar Valley, GA, was arrested July 16 and charged with possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine), and possession of paraphernalia. A total bond of \$10,000 was set and he bonded out of jail the following day.

Tiffany Shauntai Kelly, 22, of Montgomery, AL, was arrested July 16 and charged with driving while license suspended. Bond was set at \$500 and she bonded out of jail the same day.

Henry Clay Summers, 30, of Perry, FL, was arrested July 17 and charged with possession of marijuana less than 20 grams; possession of a controlled substance without a prescription; and possession of drug equipment. A total bond of \$1,000 was set and he bonded out of

jail the same day.

Dionna Major, 36, of Tallahassee, was arrested July 18 and charged with violation of probation on the charge of driving while license suspended or revoked. Bond was set at \$100 and she bonded out of jail the same day.

Patrick Thomas, 34, of Tallahassee, was arrested July 18 and charged with violation of probation on the charge of possession of cannabis. Bond was withheld and he remained at the County Jail July 30.

Aaron Gaskin, 30, of Breaux Ridge, CA, was arrested July 20 and charged with driving under the influence, refusal, and possession of a controlled substance. A total bond of \$1,000 was set, and he remained at the County Jail July 30.

Michael Christopher Johnston, 41, of Lamont, was arrested July 25 and charged with violation of probation on the charge

of felony battery, and violation of probation on the charge of tampering with a victim. He was released on his own recognizance the following day.

Tracy Jerrido, 45, of St. Petersburg, FL, was arrested July 27 and charged with possession of as controlled substance, and possession of paraphernalia. A total bond of \$2,500 was set, and she bonded out of jail the following day.

William Leo Wright, 46, of Jefferson County, was arrested July 27 and charged with writ of attachment for cash purge. Bond was set at \$570 and he remained at the County Jail July 30.

Tyler Michael Callahan, 21, of Tallahassee, was arrested July 27 and charged with boating under the influence, and providing alcohol to a person under the age of 21. A total bond of \$1,000 was set and he bonded out of jail the following day.

## 'Brew' Ha Ha: Conversations for Coffee

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## A Second Look

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Luckily, it isn't too often that I find myself at Walmart. For a household of three (my sister Sunny, my fiancé Nicholas, and myself) a single trip can take care of our grocery needs for about a month.

But last week I needed embroidery supplies for a project I'm working on (read: should be working on) and the visit was inevitable. The guy at the register was really grinding on my nerves. He wouldn't quit with the female jokes.

"Why do women have small feet?" He asked, not pausing for a response. "So she can get closer to the stove!"

He laughed a raucous laugh, clearly pleased with himself. Beside me, Nicholas laughed a little nervously. It had been a long day, and the last thing I wanted to hear were jokes about how women are only good for housework and intercourse.

"Okay, okay, I got another one," he said. Joy. "How do you turn a fox into an elephant? You marry her!" More laughter.

Nicholas' hand went around my waist, as if by touching my hip, he might stay my tongue. I'm sure most of my married female readers can say how well that works for men.

But it was right as I was about to tell him how he should keep his day job because his career as a standup comedian isn't going anywhere, then I took a second look.

It was his day job that really got me. Here he is, working what many sources have recently been calling the "worst company to work for in corporate America."

I've been reading a lot lately from Nolan Hamilton, a blogger for New York-based blog and media outlet Gawker. He and Gawker have a lot of posts about Walmart, and even invited company employees to anonymously vent about their personal experiences there.

What followed was Walmart posting on their internal website a thread requesting their employees to post the real Walmart experience. I guess the corporation got what they wanted: more horror stories followed.

One anonymous employee wrote this: "Walmart employees are the dictionary definition of the working poor. Walmart permits employees to cash

their paychecks at the register, which is commonly eaten up by their cartfuls of food and other necessities. This company perpetuates a system where employee earnings flow right back to this colossal unseeing and uncaring corporation."

And another described her working conditions: "After about a year, I moved to the bakery. When the Health Inspector came, stores called each other frantically alerting the others of their whereabouts. We went into a cleaning frenzy, as there were many violations. Ovens and pans were never cleaned, people handled bread and meat without gloves - we'd even had expired meat sitting in our bread freezer for months. Even in the back room, where produce was stored, there were rats that ate watermelons and could carry away cucumbers that were never dealt with."

Here are people working 5-hour days and being forced to put in 8 hours worth of work or get fired—one woman lost 30 pounds while she was working there because she walked about 7 miles a night in her shift. If they get injured on the job, they are often subjected to drug tests before they are even taken to the hospital, in hopes that drug use could

absolve Walmart of any liability for their injury—and made to sign paperwork saying that they won't sue. Here are people being forced to work 39.5-hour weeks so that they're just below full time and are not entitled to benefits. Here are people whose hours get cut to below 10 hours a week because management doesn't like them, females getting sexually harassed by coworkers and management telling them to "find their zen balance," and men who work weekends and holidays for my convenience.

And in the face of all of that, this guy was still telling jokes, laughing with customers, and being positive. There was a certain exhaustion in how he held himself, but a dogged persistence behind his eyes. He was triumphant. Like a flower popping up in the cracks of a sidewalk, he was a ray of sunshine, a breath of life in the face of all aridity and disenchantment. In my second look, I saw his humanity and what there was to like about him.

I smiled at him. "I've got one. What's the difference between a battery and a woman?"

"I don't know this one," he said, grinning ear to ear.

"A battery has a positive side."

## Meet Your Neighbor Katrina Webster

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Meet Katrina Webster, a 21-year-old woman who has lived in Monticello most of her life. She has recently settled here with her three children and can most often be found at Wag the Dog, where she works.

Webster's coworkers describe her as helpful, a hard worker, and say that they are grateful to have her there at the thrift store. She especially enjoys working there and

being around all the animals. "My apartment doesn't allow pets, so I don't have any," she explained.

Of course, pets would probably just add to the mostly-controlled chaos of her life with a 5 year old, a 1 year old, and an 8 month old. She is nevertheless a proud mother, and speaks of all of her children with a warm smile.

Soft spoken, gentle, and easy to get along with, the most surprising thing about her is this: "My dream," she said, "is to be a corrections officer."



**Katrina Webster hopes one day to become a correctional officer.**

True to her quiet nature, she spends her down time (as if she has any) playing games and texting friends on her phone.



### PLEASE NOTE

Jobseekers will now find Mobile Services in the Winn-Dixie parking lot at 1245 South Jefferson Street in Monticello, 1st through 4th Wednesdays. Previously, the unit has parked across from the First Baptist Church in downtown Monticello. Workforce thanks the First Baptist Church for allowing them to use their space for the past 5 years.

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Obama would say, "If I had a city it would look like Detroit."

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Dear Voters of District 3,  
I am honored to have received the Shirley Washington Academic Scholarship. I will be attending Southwest Georgia College in August 2013. I will be majoring in Land, Forest, and Wildlife Management. I would like to thank Ms. Shirley Washington for helping me achieve my goals.  
Thank you, Jana Barber

# Thank you!

Dear District 3 Voters,  
I would like to thank you all for electing Ms. Shirley A. Washington to serve as the school board member for District 3. She is a dedicated and sincere person when it comes to assisting Jefferson County students who are pursuing their educational goals. I would like to say thank you very much to District 3 voters and Ms. Washington. This will definitely help out a lot. I greatly appreciate this scholarship, which is the Ms. Shirley A. Washington School Member District 3 Academic Scholarship.  
Sincerely, Kyah Massey

# Thank You

To the Voters of District Three,  
We would like to greatly thank you for your wise decision of electing School Board Member Mrs. Shirley Washington to represent District Three.  
To Mrs. Washington, we appreciate all you do to help the kids in the Jefferson County School District. We would also like to thank you deeply from the bottom of our hearts for the financial disbursements from you to certain individuals of our senior class. You are a remarkable woman who does incredible things!  
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## Psychic Provides Magical Ritual to Remove Hex

In Moscow, police have arrested a ring of self-professed psychics that were accused of convincing people they were cursed and then charging them to remove the hexes. The suspects operated out of a place they called Sapphira Parapsychology Center, which advertised their services on several popular television networks. The "psychics" would convince callers they were cursed and then charge for and provide a "magical ritual" over the phone to remove the curse.

## Fast Food And Confessionals In Rio

Catholics who are visiting Rio this week to see Pope Francis, will be able to seek forgiveness at one of the 100 makeshift confessionals set up by the church. Confession is a central rite of Catholicism and by confessing their sins to a priest, Catholics reflect upon wrongdoing and receive penance as away to get closer to God. The practice of confession reflects the inherent conflict of people wanting to be good, but who have a hard time doing so. For the thousands of young visitors in Rio this week, if they do succumb to temptation to Rio's famous nightclubs, bars and beaches, they can stand in line with the hundreds already waiting to confess in the temporary confessionals that sit among hot dog and popcorn vendors.

## Overweight Chef Has Visa Revoked Due To His Weight

Albert Buitenhuis, a South African chef, moved to New Zealand, but ended up having his work visa revoked because immigration officials said he was too fat. When he moved to New Zealand in 2007, he weighed 360 pounds, but his visa wasn't revoked until after he lost down to 286 pounds. New Zealand has one of the world's highest obesity rates for adults and officials stated that Buitenhuis did not have an acceptable standard of health. The officials defend their decision saying, "It is important that all migrants have an acceptable standard of health to minimize costs and demands on New Zealand's health services."

## Man Attempts To Smuggle Pet Turtle In A Hamburger

In Guangdong, China, a man reportedly tried to smuggle his pet turtle inside a fast food hamburger. He was going to board a flight to Beijing, when he was detained at the x-ray screening over an "odd protrusion" sticking out of his burger that he was carrying inside his bag. Airport officials found the turtle and confronted the man, who said that he just wanted to travel with his "beloved" pet turtle. After authorities told the man he wasn't allowed to take the turtle, he was reported to leave the pet turtle with a friend.

## Cat Behaviorist From UK Offers Help For Biting And Clawing

If you have always wondered why your cat claws and bites when you rub its tummy, cat behavior manager, Nicky Trevorrow, from the UK, can help explain. She said that when a cat throws itself on its side and shows its belly, the cat isn't telling you they want their tummy rubbed, but instead are showing a greeting behavior and expressing trust. Stroking its belly is actually abusing that trust and a better option would be for you to rub the cat gently on the head.

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Conley, in the proposal, stated that the project would meet pressing community planning-related needs by helping diversify the economy, achieving quality economic development and otherwise implementing the community's visioning plan.

Among the deliverables promised in the application was a Rural Economic Development Opportunities Report, consisting of an in-depth research and analysis on optional approaches and strategies for rural communities, "with a focus on action and tangible results."

Among the diverse topics that the report would address, per the ap-

plication, were sustainable agriculture, heritage and eco-tourism, clean energy, small farm viability and innovative development approaches.

Another identified deliverable was development of a Webinar Series on economic development solutions for rural communities. The plan calls for development of five to six Webinars featuring experts speaking on a range of economic development topics of importance to rural communities. The Webinars would be promoted and made available to key individuals in all Florida rural communities.

Another deliverable would be the development of an online clear-

inghouse that would feature technical assistance resources for rural communities. These resources would consist of videos, audios, reports, articles, economic development strategies and "other timely information."

Among the project's expected benefits, the application listed implementation of the county's visioning plan, the county gaining access to a wide range of timely resources and solutions for future consideration, and the county contributing statewide solutions through its creation of its economic development technical assistance resources for use by other rural communities.

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public also used these roads.

Boyd proposed that the board adopt a policy that would allow residents of non-county roads to contract for the county's services.

"They call up, and if a crew is available, we schedule the work and send them a bill when the work is done," Boyd said.

Commissioner Stephen Walker said he considered it the county's obligation to help residents of non-county roads.

"I think it's a good thing to get this started," he said.

Equally important, County Coordinator Parish Barwick, who largely

oversees the Road Department, pronounced the proposal doable, so long as it was limited to grading and pulling ditches.

The commission agreed to proceed with the two named subdivisions as part of a pilot program, while Barwick drew up the necessary policy and guidelines.

It was the expectation that the policy and guidelines would be ready for the commission's evening meeting in August.

Voting against the measure was Commissioner Benny Bishop, who expressed concern that the policy would set a precedent and open up a Pandora's box of woes.

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The financial report, he said, was in keeping with the best accounting principles and the standards set forth in the state's document titled "Financial and Program Cost Accounting and Reporting for Florida Schools", commonly identified as the Red Book.

Yet, month after month, Lloyd said, he was held up to public ridicule and told his numbers were wrong simply because "someone doesn't know what they're talking about."

Washington remained equally combative. Her point, she said, was that former CFO Marcia Willis had separated the numbers for easy understanding and Lloyd combined his so as to create confusion.

"You're going to say what you're going to say, but it's not here," Washington said, indicating the report. "You're talking fast but the information's not here."

"Yes it is and I will show you," Lloyd said, several times getting up from his seat, walking around the conference table, and pointing out the specific category or amount to Washington.

"You're just not seeing it," he would say as often. "The layout you have is from the Red Book."

Lloyd conceded that he had compressed some of the code numbers identifying the different categories for the sake of simplicity, a change that School Board Member Larry Halsey applauded.

"If the code numbers were in exact compliance with the Red Book, they would be this big," Halsey said, holding his hands far apart.

He was also, Lloyd continued, correcting the coding and other errors from before his time, which in part possibly accounted for some of the confusion. He reminded the board that the budget was a living document subject to constant change, whereas the reports were static instances in time.

The budget, moreover, hadn't been updated since the board's adoption in September, which also explained some of the seeming discrepancies between the various documents, he

said. He said budget amendments he was in the process of preparing would reconcile the remaining discrepancies.

It was all part-and-parcel of fiscal management and accounting practices, Lloyd said. What weaknesses and errors he was discovering he was correcting and generally trying to upgrade and automate the system, as it was presently cumbersome and labor intensive, he said.

Lloyd admitted, under direct questioning from School Board Member Sandra Saunders, that one of his staff had acted without authority and had changed certain of the ledger figures, which accounted for part of the discrepancies in numbers.

He wouldn't identify the individual, however, other than to say the matter had been addressed and mechanisms put in place so the problem wouldn't recur. If the board wanted to blame anyone, blame him, Lloyd said.

In the end, Lloyd won

the board's support, with the exception of Washington.

School Board Member Larry Halsey pointed out that the financial office for several months had operated without a head and with stopgap measures, which accounted for many of the errors and problems. As he saw it, Lloyd was addressing the problems and overcoming them, Halsey said.

School Board Member Phil Barker agreed. The issues that Lloyd and the board were confronting were the same ones that confronted every individual and group in a new situation, he said. One always found things that needed to be corrected or changed, Barker said. And one did what one had to do and moved on, he said.

"You live and learn," Barker said. "When we're no longer board members and new folks come in our place it will be the same story. The bottom line is you give people in a new position time to correct the problems and move on."

## Donations

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a very preliminary review of the budget.

It was Councilman George Evans' suggestion, however, that the council might consider increasing each of the organizations' contributions by a \$1,000 or so. His reason for the suggestion, Evans said, was that he was impressed with the efforts that the

groups were putting forth to promote the city and attract visitors.

And in fact, the council then instructed Anderson to review the budget and determine if additional monies could be found to allow for increases to the several organizations' contributions.

## Sudoku Puzzle!

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# CROSSWORDS

## Snoozing

### ACROSS

- Timber wolves
- George Michael's old musical group
- Poke with an elbow
- Be wild about
- Astronomical ring
- Region containing modern-day France
- Mild, white cheese
- With 31-Across, "Ripostes" poet
- Mistake catcher
- "The Star-Spangled Banner" quartet
- Start of long-distance dialing
- Brittany seaport
- Hoofing it
- Picnic carrying case
- See 18-Across
- French textile city
- Trucker's place
- Auto executive Ferrari
- Spitting mad
- Owls' prey
- Baker's no.
- "Going Rogue" author
- The younger Obama daughter
- "Ali" or "Ray"
- Something to vent
- Taters
- Fold, spindle or mutilate
- Put forth as fact
- Goes up
- Quartet member
- Brig structure
- Swarm
- "Each Dawn \_\_\_" (Cagney film)
- Far from windy
- Be mistaken
- Coventry containers

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### DOWN

- Street fixture
- "P-U!" inducer
- Old TV clown
- Pasta served in soups
- Scungilli, calamari, etc.
- Info on an invitation
- Linden of "Barney Miller"
- Shakespeare title start
- Zoo barrier
- Fitness industry giant
- Vibes
- Do demolition work
- Cinema vérité, e.g.

- Broadway musical with the song "Will I?"
- Highly adroit
- Newspaper page for essayists
- Forbidden thing
- Radar detector
- Yoko \_\_\_
- Honda with a palindromic name
- Chemicals giant
- Like MacDonald of song
- 1953 Leslie Caron film
- Suffer from a charley horse
- Noodle
- Drink dog-style
- Prefix with content
- From pillar to \_\_\_

- Some track and field events
- Regional phrase
- With the exception of
- Sudden gush
- Gondola guide
- Place mat puzzles
- Give off, as light
- Actress Conn
- Congregation's assent
- Hawaiian tuber
- "Happy Motoring" gas brand
- Interval on a scale
- California wine, for short

answers on page 9

## Sudoku Puzzle Answer

6	2	9	4	8	9	8	7	1
1	2	9	2	6	8	9	8	4
8	4	8	9	1	2	7	6	9
2	9	6	1	9	4	8	7	3
2	1	8	2	9	8	9	4	6
9	8	4	6	8	2	1	1	9
9	8	1	9	2	6	4	2	8
8	9	2	8	4	1	6	9	7
4	6	2	8	2	9	1	9	8

Sudoku Solution

# Jefferson County Living

## Opera House To Hold Its Annual Meeting

DEBBIE SNAPP  
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Monticello Opera House will hold its annual Board Meeting, Dinner, and Program for all members on Friday, August 9. Ticket cost is \$30 per person.

The 'Beach Party' themed evening will begin at 6 p.m. with drinks and appetizers. The meeting and dinner will follow at 7 p.m. Americana music and entertainment will be provided by Bodega Bob and Sugar Harris of the group Cheap & Easy.

Board Chairperson Denise Vogelgesang will



update the audience on the past year's accomplishments. She will highlight the 2013/2014 performance season and will share exciting plans in store for the coming

year. Monticello Opera House membership offers exciting programming to all age groups and helps with ongoing renovations. Family membership benefits include discounted MOH, OHSC, and MADCO productions and events; one complimentary companion ticket per year; two free child tickets per season; and advance notice of upcoming events.

For more information about this event, or for ticket information, visit the Opera House website at [www.monticelloopera-house.org](http://www.monticelloopera-house.org) or call 850-997-4242 during business hours.

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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### August 2

Monticello Jamboree Band will perform music for dancing at 7 p.m. on Friday at 625 South Water Street. There will be door-prizes, cold soft drinks, and snacks. Everyone is welcome to come dance, listen to some of the finest music, and just enjoy some fun and camaraderie with neighbors and friends. This is a non-profit charitable event; donations are accepted. For questions or concerns, contact Curtis Morgan at 850-933-8136 or Bobby Connell at 850-445-0049.

### August 2

Ashville Area Volunteer Fire Department meets at its facility on the first Friday of each month. For more information, contact Assistant Fire Chief Butch Staffieri at 850-210-2816.

### August 2

Buddy's Home Furnishings is hosting a 'Monticello Community Appreciation Day' from 3 to 7 p.m. on Friday. Stop by for a taste of grilled chicken, burgers, and hot-dogs. The Buddy's Team will be giving away lots of other goodies, freebies, and bargains too. Door-prizes will include gift cards and a Stealth Computer Tablet with Built-In-WiFi. The Buddy's Team can be reached during in-store hours by calling 850-342-3201 or [store037@buddyrents.com](mailto:store037@buddyrents.com).

### August 3

Southern Music Rising

Block Party Saturday on Dogwood Street from 6 to 10 p.m. and featuring Cliff Miller, Broken Strings, and Bruised Grass Unplugged. FREE! Donations will be accepted.

### August 3

Artisans and Growers Market is an outdoors shopping experience held on the first Saturday at 9 a.m. in the tented garden area behind the Wirick-Simmons House, at the corner of Cherry and Pearl streets. All products sold to the public are handmade, homebaked, and homegrown. For more information contact MainStreet Monticello Florida Program Manager Anne H. Holt at 850-576-0721, or [ahholt@ahholt.com](mailto:ahholt@ahholt.com) or [www.mainstreetmonticellofl.org](http://www.mainstreetmonticellofl.org).

### August 3

Half-N-Half Four Band at the Dixie Community Center at 7 p.m. on Saturday for music and dance. Refreshments and good fellowship are available during intermission. For more information contact Kenneth Price at 1-229-263-7231. DCC is a nonprofit organization.

### August 5

Al-Anon meetings are held at 8 p.m. on Mondays at the Anglican Church, 124 Jefferson Avenue in Thomasville. For more information go to [www.al-anon.alateen.org](http://www.al-anon.alateen.org).

### August 5

AA will meet at 8 p.m. on Monday at the Christ

Episcopal Church Annex, 425 North Cherry Street. For more information, call 850-997-2129 or 850-997-1955.

### August 4

VFW Post 251 will meet 5 p.m. on the first Sunday at the Learning Center on Marvin Street for a meeting. Contact Ned Hill at 850-339-5524 for more information.

### August 5

VFW Ladies Auxiliary Post 251 will meet at 6:30 p.m. on the first Monday at Memorial MB Church. Contact President Mary Madison at 850-210-7090 for more information.

### August 5

MainStreet of Monticello Florida Board Meeting is held at 5 p.m. on the first Monday at the Cherry Street Commons on South Cherry Street. Contact Margie Stern at 850-210-4097 for more information. For more information about the third Monday Main Street Speaker Series contact Anne Holt at 850-997-5110 or [ahholt@ahholt.com](mailto:ahholt@ahholt.com). Come to hear about updates and projects that MainStreet has been working on.

### August 5, 8

Fun Fitness Classes for all levels! Mondays and Thursdays: Golden Girls Revival 4:30 to 5:15 p.m. and Girls Revival with Core 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. For more information contact Doris Bishop at 850-591-0085 or go to [www.GirlsRevivalFitness.com](http://www.GirlsRevivalFitness.com).

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# Jefferson County Living

## Entire Community Invited To Finlayson Anniversary

AMBER HOUSTON  
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On Sunday, August 4, from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. the Finlaysons are hosting a party!

Everyone is invited to attend the 50th wedding anniversary of John and Marjorie Finlayson. There will be a reception at the Family Ministry Center of the First United Methodist Church in Monticello.

Mac, Mary Beth, Richard, Meagan, Anna, Jay, Ricky and Timothy Finlayson are giving this occasion. The family has requested no gifts—just the joy of the community's presence. Drop by any time during the event to congratulate the couple on 50 years of marriage.



John and Marjorie Finlayson would like to share their 50th Anniversary with you!

Expect food, fun, fellowship, and Monticello's unique hospitality! For more information contact Richard Finlayson at (850) 997-3597.

## Donations Needed For Veterans Day Parade

DEBBIE SNAPP  
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The Otto M. Walker Veterans Parade Fund continues to need more donations for the November 9 parade and program. Contributions may be made to the fund at Farmers and Merchants Bank.

"We are still a long way from having enough to fund the planned activities," says Event Coordinator Earlene Knight.

Contributors to date include: Frank Kolb, Barbara and John Culbreath, Ginger Hodges, Jefferson County BBHAC, Milly Jo and James Clark, Pat Frey, and Isabelle de Sercey.

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For more information and to volunteer to help with this annual event, contact Knight at coachewk@embarqmail.com.



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## Church News Notes

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**August 2**  
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. Call 850-342-3541 for more information.

**August 3**  
Tri-County Ministries will hold a 'Clothing Giveaway' from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday at the church location, 1599 Springhollow Road. All are welcome to come and get dressed for the upcoming school year. For more information contact Pastor Marvin Graham at 850-212-7669. Sunday Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.; Wednesday Counseling, 5:30 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.

**August 3**  
Restored Glory Christian Center will hold its annual 'Wham! Bam! School Jam!' event on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at its location at 1287 South Jefferson. Students must be present to receive a free school backpack filled with school supplies and other goodies. For more information call 850-997-RGCC or go to www.restoredglory.org.

**August 4**  
Greater Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church will celebrate its 146 Anniversary at 3 p.m. on Sunday. Rev. Keith Cloud and the New Zion MBC family from Greenville will be in charge of the service. All are invited. Dinner will be served after the service. For more information contact Gloria Waddell at 850-342-4694 or Willie T. Williams at 850-997-4430 or Rev. Dr. Melvin Roberts, pastor, at 850-997-4375.

**August 4**  
First United Methodist

Church Monticello is the location of the celebration of the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Marjorie and John Finlayson. A 'Drop By' reception will be held from 2 to 5 p.m. on Sunday, at the Family Ministry Center. The entire community is invited to this special event; given by Mary Beth and Mac Finlayson, Meagan and Richard Finlayson, Anna, Jay, Ricky, and Timothy. No gifts please, your presence will do.

**August 7**  
Heaven's Kitchen Noon Bible Study and Prayer every Wednesday at Memorial Missionary Baptist Church, with speakers Rev. JB Duval and Rev. Semmeal Thomas. Come as you are. Take your lunch break, for just one hour. Be spiritually filled as you study God's word. After Bible Study, Feed My Sheep Ministry will fill your physical body with a prepared meal. For more information, or to make a contribution, contact coordinators Sis. Mary Madison at 850-997-4504 or

850-210-7090, or Sis. Betty Russell at 850-997-4251.

**August 7, 21**  
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 needed to distribute food items and to donate non-perishable food items. Call and leave a message for JoAnne Arnold at 850-997-2252, or 850-997-1084, or go to eaglewingsmonticello@yahoo.com or www.firstpresbyterianmonticello.org.

The Jefferson County Utility Coordinating Committee will meet at 9:00 a.m. August 14, 2013, at the Jefferson County Road Dept, 1484 South Jefferson Street

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# Jefferson County Living

## Remembering "The Good Ol' Days"

With Hines Boyd

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Hines Boyd is a man who chooses his words carefully. Quiet in speech, thoughtful, and a listener, getting him to open up about Monticello's past—and therefore his own past—is no trifle. But because he chooses that his words should be constructive, he is a man that commands a listening ear when he speaks.

Boyd grew up in Monticello, as a sixth-generation resident. Before he was enrolled in elementary school, Boyd said, "my social interactions were limited to my own family and the workers on our family farm at Ashville, where I grew up. A few of those workers were like second parents and had a profound influence on my young years. The children of those workers were my welcomed playmates."

The years he remembers most vividly are those that he spent in school at Aucilla and then Jefferson. He says, "I suppose when most of us are asked about our memories, we think of our childhood and growing up years. For me, that was the 1950's. In 1949, I started elementary school at Aucilla, when it was still a public school. Since Aucilla, at the time, had only eight grades, I spent my high school years at Jefferson County High, graduating in 1961."

Students, he believes, valued school highly, due to the effort they went through to get there. "The bus ride from Ashville to Aucilla was about an hour long over mostly bumpy dirt roads, but we didn't notice or mind the ride. The ride to Monticello for high school meant transferring buses and riding for about twenty minutes more. So our school day, with the bus rides, started



around 7 a.m. and didn't end until 5 p.m."

Boyd participated in 4-H outside of school. "One county official, in particular, had a major influence on my formative years. It was County Agricultural Agent, Albert Odom," Hines said. "The entire County Extension Office in the 1950's consisted of a County Agent, a Home Demonstration Agent, and a secretary. In addition to his significant duties with the county's many farmers, Albert Odom was extremely dedicated to the 4-H program. He recruited me at an early age, and mentored me until I completed high school—first in agricultural projects, and then in 4-H leadership programs."

Odom made such an impact on the young Boyd that when political problems arose for Odom, Boyd pleaded on his behalf. "One day I learned that a particular County Commissioner was upset with Odom because he thought that the County Agent should spend more time with farmers and less with the 4-H program. He wanted Odom fired. I had just gotten my driver's license, so I asked my father for the car. I drove to the homes of all four of the other Commissioners and made an emotional plea for retaining Mr. Odom. The County

Agent kept his job, and I learned an important lesson about the impact one passionate person can have on government."

And government is another thing that Hines has seen a vast difference in since his formative years. "My recent work in county government often makes me think of the contrast between county government in the 1950's and today. There's a lot more of it today, with a lot more people.

"In the 1950's there were no county employees to deal with solid waste, fire protection, or ambulance service. Outside the city, most people burned the trash that would burn, separated the metal for scrap, and buried anything else. A few irresponsible folks dumped their trash in the woods, which eventually forced the County Commissioners to establish a Solid Waste Department.

"The only fire protection was provided by the Monticello Volunteer Fire Department, which had one operating fire truck. When a fire call came in, a siren went off at the fire station (where the Monticello Police Department is now located), and available volunteers rushed to the station. Usually there were enough to answer the call, often quite promptly.

"Anyone 18 or older could be a volunteer fireman. A couple of my high school classmates joined up. I recall at least one occasion when the siren went off and these volunteer classmates jumped out of their downstairs classroom window to sprint the two blocks to the fire station. Needless to say, their teacher wasn't very happy.

"Twice during the

1950's the sheriff died in office. The governor appointed the sheriffs' widows, Mrs. J. B. Cooksey and later Mrs. Jesse Lovett, to complete their husbands' terms. The sheriff only had a couple of deputies at the time, but these lady sheriffs and their deputies, with the help of a couple of jailors, seemed to do a good job of maintaining law and order in our county.

"By contrast, today county government has about 60 employees working for the Sheriff, 22 working in the Fire/EMS Department, and 16 working in the Solid Waste Department. No doubt, our expectations are different today. But, nevertheless, I have great admiration for the dedicated volunteers and public servants who held things together for us some 60 years ago."

Hines' fondest memories included Monticello's social capital, the exchange of time and ideas, which would often include the exchange of money. On Saturday afternoons, Monticello was transformed into a place of relaxation and recreation.

"As did many of the county citizen's, we frequently came to town on Saturdays", Hines said. "Farm workers usually were paid that day at noon, and everyone converged on Monticello. I especially remember the area around the old water tower (in the intersection nearest today's Mexican Restaurant) was almost shoulder-to-shoulder with people. Everyone bought their next week's groceries and supplies. While our parents shopped, they let us go to the Saturday double feature movie at the local theater (currently the Edward Jones office). Some folks stayed and partied into the night. Saturday seemed to be everyone's favorite day of the week."

Boyd continues, "Now, most of our farms are gone and many of our county's workers drive out of the county to work—and shop. Things are different, yet, in a lot of ways, the same. Jefferson County and its people still have much of the country charm and character they had 60 years ago. I still love living here, because we've kept the really important things."

## Artisans And Growers Market



Artisans and Growers Market is held on the first Saturday of every month, at the corner of Cherry and Pearl streets. Watch for the green tents.

DEBBIE SNAPP  
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The Artisans and Growers Market, sponsored monthly by Main Street Monticello Florida, is an outdoors shopping experience made up of small business entrepreneurs whose primary goal is to provide products to the public that are handmade, homebaked,

and homegrown. The Artisans and Growers Market is held on the first Saturday at 9 a.m. in the garden area behind the Wirick-Simmons House, home to the Jefferson County Historical Association. Keep watch for the green tents and the white picket fences this Saturday, August 3 at the corner of Cherry and Pearl streets.



Purchase your fresh fruits and vegetables from Miss Barnhart this Saturday, August 3 at the Artisans and Growers Market, in downtown Monticello.



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# Public Defender Speaks To Kiwanis



Nancy Daniels, Public Defender for the 2nd Judicial Circuit, which includes Jefferson County, was guest speaker at the Kiwanis meeting recently. She brought the group up-to-date on cases and trends in the area.

## Obituaries



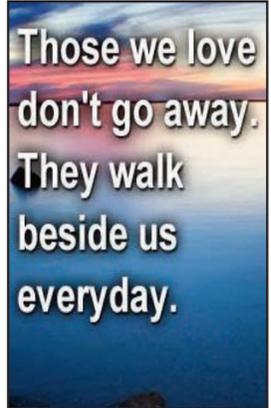
**LEROY CUYLER, JR.**

Leroy "Slim" Cuyler, Jr., 68, of Monticello, departed this life on Friday, July 26, 2013 in Thomasville, GA. Funeral services are 11:00 a.m. Saturday at his church, Sweetfield Missionary Baptist, with burial at Springfield Cemetery, Lloyd. Viewing-visitation will be 3-7:30 p.m. Friday at Tillman Of Monticello.

A native and lifelong Jefferson County resident, Mr. Cuyler and his brothers operated a pulp-wooding business for many years. He later worked for Balfour Lumber Company in Thomasville.

Cherishing precious memories are his loving wife, Dorothy Cuyler; daughters, Brenda and Lois Cuyler; son, Terry Cuyler; three grand and two great-grandchildren; brothers, George, Dosber (Barbara) and Johnny Cuyler; sister, Rebecca Cuyler; and numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

His parents, Leroy Sr. and Fannie Odom Cuyler; and sister, Ulabee Griffin predeceased him.



**RUBY SMITH BROOKS**

Ruby Smith Brooks, 94, of Monticello, went to rest in her Savior's arms on Wednesday, July 24, 2013. Funeral services are 11:00 a.m. Saturday at Greater Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church, Monticello. Burial will follow in Texas Hill Cemetery. Viewing-visitation is 3-7:30 p.m. Friday at Tillman Of Monticello.

Mrs. Brooks taught in public schools, largely in Jefferson County for 41 years. She served as a deaconess at Greater Fellowship and held membership in both the Jefferson County Education and Retired Educators Associations, Sons & Daughters of Joshua, Soon Mission Lodge and Grand Pallbearers Union.

Treasuring her love and precious memories are her daughters, Carolyn Brooks Brown (caretaker) and Louvenia Brooks (James) Haynes; son, W.C. (Missouri) Shuler; sister, Mae Eva (Jimmy) Wilson; granddaughter, Faythia (Roger) Carpenter, Melisa (Ronald) Horton, Kimberly (Dedrick) Brown and India Haynes; several great-grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

She was predeceased by her husband, Reverend Gibbs Brooks; parents, Colonel Sr. and Eva Seymour Smith; and brothers, Colonel Jr., Tommy and Emmett Smith.



**REVEREND JOSEPH FRANCIS**

First Central Missionary Baptist Association Moderator, the Reverend Joseph Francis, 67, of Woodville, answered his Master's call at home on Friday, July 26, 2013. Funeral services are 1:00 p.m. Saturday at Greater Poplar Springs Missionary Baptist Church, Jasper; burial rites will follow at Tallahassee's Southside Cemetery.

Viewing-visitation is 2:00-5:00 p.m. Friday at Tillman Of Tallahassee, with a Wake following from 6:30-8:00 p.m. at Sweet Home Missionary Baptist Church, where he pastored, in Perry.

He was a U.S. Marine combat veteran and long-time owner of JJC Enterprises Concrete and Landscape Service.

Treasuring his legacy are: his wife, Reverend Cornelia Francis; daughters, Tracey, Tameka, Tyeshia and Vonsheila Francis, Chelsea Mathis, Alisha Anderson, Keshia McCloud and Kerissa Blue; sons, Rodney Anderson, Justin Francis, Kendrick (Kendra) Holland and Karlon Blue; granddaughters, Vontravia and Tralesiya Oliver and RaeJeania Francis; sisters, Emma Stubbins and Ann Mitchell; brothers, Havord (Lefornia) Francis, Reverend Dr. Hozell (Lynda) Francis, Sr. and Samuel (Willie Mae) Francis, Sr.; special friends who were caregivers and nurses, Sandy Combs and Catherine Devenish; along with a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

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## Jefferson County High School Class of 1983 Hosting Reunion



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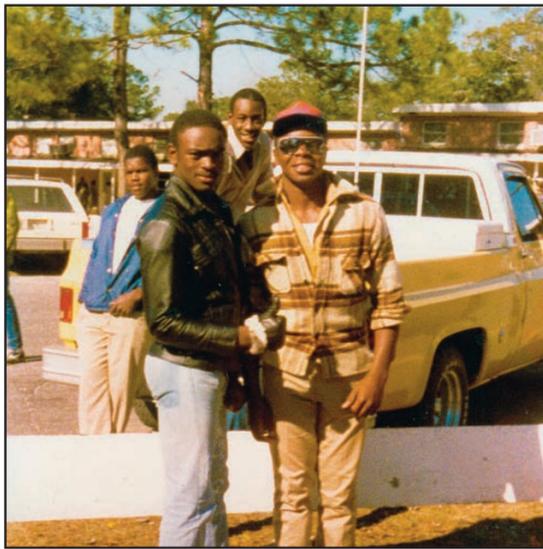
1981-82 Varsity-BLAIR ARMSTRONG, HEAD COACH

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Blair Armstrong was the head football coach at Jefferson County High School from 1981-83. The 1981-82 was the block from which Armstrong built the 1982-83 team, which won the Florida AA title in a hard-fought battle with Clewiston, which ended in a 13-13 tie. Both schools shared the title that year.



Chilling out at Jefferson County High School are friends, front row, left to right: Tony Russell and Clifford Rivers. Back row, left to right: Emmanuel Francis and Jimmy Brookins.



Friends having fun at Jefferson County High School are, in the front, James Larry, Tony Russell and Clifford Rivers and, in the back, Wendy Bellamy and Irene Woodson.



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From the desk of Edna Henry,  
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Clifford Rivers (Class of 1983) fights for more yardage in a football game for the Jefferson County High School Tigers.

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The Jefferson County High School Class of 1983 will hold its 30<sup>th</sup> annual reunion this Saturday, Aug. 3, and Sunday, Aug. 4.

On Saturday, the class will converge at the Mays House (which was Dr. Luis Roca's office when they were in high school), located at 925 E. Washington St. The fun will begin with a meet and greet with classmates at 5 p.m.

Following the meet and greet, a catered dinner will be served. Dancing, with Merv Mattair serving as disk jockey will follow this.

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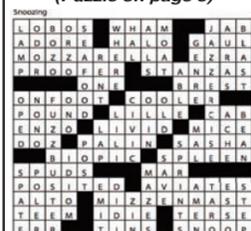
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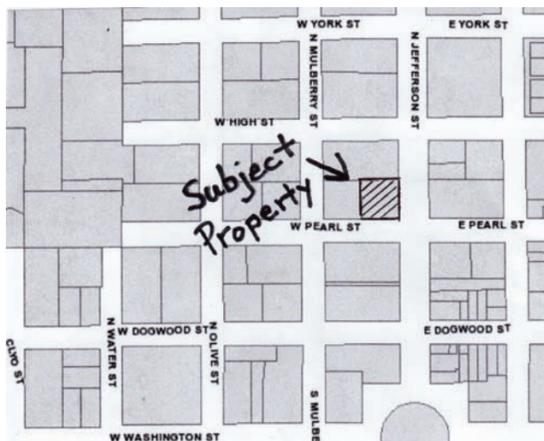
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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON APPLICATION FOR RE-ZONING**  
The Monticello Local Planning Agency will consider the following rezoning ordinance:  
**ORDINANCE NO. 2013-14 AN ORDINANCE REZONING PROPERTY LOCATED AT 315 N. JEFFERSON STREET, COMPRISING .232 ACRES WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF MONTICELLO, FLORIDA FROM R-1, RESIDENTIAL SINGLE-FAMILY, TO B-1, DOWNTOWN BUSINESS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**  
The area shown covered by the proposed ordinance is shown in the map below:



The entire text of the ordinance may be inspected at City Hall, 245 S. Mulberry Street, Monticello, Florida between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Public hearing before the Monticello Local Planning Agency will be held on Tuesday, August 13, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. at Monticello City Hall. Interested persons may appear at the meeting and be heard with respect to the proposed ordinance. 8/2/13

# Legals

**NOTICE**  
The Jefferson County Tourist Development Council will not meet the month of August. They will resume meeting on Monday, September 9, 2013 at 9:00am in the Courthouse Annex at 450 West Walnut Street. 7/31, 8/2/13

## NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that U.S.BANK 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: 190 Year of Issuance: 2010  
Description of Property: 09-1N-3E-0000-0070-0000 4.9 ACRES  
In South PT of NE ¼ of NE 1/4  
ORB 472 PG 520 thru 528 & ORB 492 PG 310 &  
ORB 644 P 140-148 & ORB 664 P 374  
Site Address: 13 Moody Road - Monticello, Florida

Name in which assessed: MILLS ESTATE ET AL

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 22nd DAY OF AUGUST, 2013 at 11:00 a.m.

Dated this 30th DAY OF JULY, 2013.

*Kirk Reams*  
Kirk B. Reams  
Clerk of the Court  
Jefferson County, Florida 8/2/13

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR JEFFERSON COUNTY  
GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION  
CASE NO. 33-2013-CA-000088

SUNTRUST BANK,  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
ADELE DIEHL, et al.,  
Defendants.

## NOTICE OF ACTION

To: ADELE DIEHL  
2660 SW 54TH ST, FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33312  
LAST KNOWN ADDRESS STATED, CURRENT RESIDENCE UNKNOWN  
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose Mortgage covering the following real and personal property described as follows, to-wit: LOT 29, OF TALLY HILLS ESTATES SUBDIVISION, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK B, PAGE 91, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, FLORIDA.

has been filed against you and you are required to file a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Jessica D. Levy, McCalla Raymer, LLC, 225 E. Robinson St. Suite 660, Orlando, FL 32801 and file the original with the Clerk of the above-styled Court on or before 30 days from the first publication, otherwise a Judgment may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

WITNESS my hand and seal of said Court on the 23rd day of July, 2013.

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
As Clerk of the Court  
BY: Sherry Sears  
Deputy Clerk 8/29/13

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR JEFFERSON COUNTY, FLORIDA  
CASE NO. 2013-CA-124

PRIME CREDIT CORPORATION,  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
FANNIE MAE JONES-ANDERSON; CHARLES ANDERSON; UNKNOWN HEIRS OF FANNIE MAE JONES-ANDERSON; UNKNOWN HEIRS OF CHARLES ANDERSON; and UNKNOWN TENANTS,  
Defendants.

## NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: FANNIE MAE JONES-ANDERSON; CHARLES ANDERSON; UNKNOWN HEIRS OF FANNIE MAE JONES-ANDERSON; UNKNOWN HEIRS OF CHARLES ANDERSON; and UNKNOWN TENANTS  
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that a complaint for Foreclosure on the following property in Jefferson County, Florida:  
**Begin at the intersection of the South boundary of the North Half of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 4, Township 1 North, Range 3 East, Jefferson County, Florida with the West right-of-way line of County Road 59 and run North 89 degrees 45 minutes 10 seconds West, along the South boundary of the North Half of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Said Section 4, 691.13 feet to a point, thence North 00 degrees 14 minutes 48 seconds East 126.15 feet to a point, thence South 89 degrees 45 minutes 10 seconds East 690.13 feet to a point on the West right-of-way line of said County Road 59, thence South 00 degrees 13 minutes 00 seconds East, along said right-of-way line, 126.15 feet to the Point of Beginning.**  
PARCEL ID# 041N3E000000710000  
has been filed against you and others, and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on ANDREW J. POWER, ESQUIRE, SMITH, THOMPSON, SHAW, MINACCI & COLÓN, P.A., Plaintiff's attorneys, 3520 Thomasville Road, 4th Floor, Tallahassee, Florida 32309-3469, no more than thirty (30) days from the first publication date of this notice of action, and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorneys or immediately thereafter; otherwise, a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint or petition.

DATED this 25th day July, 2013.  
KIRK REAM, Clerk of Court  
By: Sherry Sears  
Deputy Clerk 8/29/13

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON APPLICATION FOR CITY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FUTURE LAND USE MAP AMENDMENT

The City of Monticello Local Planning Agency will conduct a public hearing for purposes of consideration of an Application for Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map Amendment for the below parcel:



The proposal seeks to amend the City Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map from Residential-Low Density (with an Office/Residential Special Exception Overlay) to Commercial.

**ORDINANCE 2013- 13 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF THE CITY OF MONTICELLO, FLORIDA, BY REDESIGNATING A PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED AT 315 N. JEFFERSON STREET COMPRISING .232 ACRES, FROM RESIDENTIAL-LOW DENSITY (WITH AN OFFICE/RESIDENTIAL SPECIAL EXCEPTION OVERLAY) TO COMMERCIAL; PROVIDING FOR PURPOSE; PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION OF THE SPECIFIED AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF MONTICELLO COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; PROVIDING FOR LEGAL EFFECT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, CODIFICATION, SCRIVENER'S ERRORS, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

The public hearing will be held before the Monticello Local Planning Agency on August 13, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. at Monticello City Hall, 245 S. Mulberry Street, Monticello, FL 32344. Interested persons may appear at the meeting and be heard with respect to the applications. The application material may be inspected at City Hall between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. 8/2/13

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The Week of August 2, 2013 through August 9, 2013  
Major Feed Times are marked by an asterisk (\*)

<b>Friday, August 2</b> 3:45 AM *9:50 AM 4:00 PM *10:20 PM	<b>Saturday, August 3</b> 4:30 AM *10:30 AM 4:45 PM *10:55 PM	<b>Sunday, August 4</b> 5:10 AM *10:20 AM 5:30 PM *11:40 PM	<b>Monday, August 5</b> 5:55 AM *12:00 PM 6:10 PM
<b>Tuesday, August 6</b> *12:30 AM 6:40 AM *12:40 PM 6:50 PM	<b>Wednesday, August 7</b> *1:10 AM 7:20 AM *1:30 PM 7:40 PM	<b>Thursday, August 8</b> *1:50 AM 8:00 PM *2:20 PM 8:30 PM	<b>Friday, August 9</b> *2:30 AM 8:40 AM *3:10 PM 9:20 PM

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## Mother Nature's Eggplant Art



ECB Publishing Photo By Debbie Snapp, July 24, 2013.

**Dorothy Barnhart recently harvested this natural work of art from her garden. Mother Nature sure had a sense of humor when she created this eggplant!**



## Seed Time Harvest Farm News

**CETTA BARNHART**  
Project Coordinator

As our summer vacation is coming to an end, we are excited about extending our services to include consumer education workshops. In the month of August, in addition to offering our CSA delivery services, we will be launching our education component to share information in large or small group settings on the benefits of eating fresh and local. Food demonstrations with quick and easy recipes may be a part of the presentation too. That way you can see and taste the wonderful flavors of freshness.

So, if you would like to bring Seed Time Harvest Farm to your community organization, sorority, fraternity, church, or business, hurry to get in on this deal. Each coordinator who has 10 or more guests will receive a free bag of groceries. Each participant will receive a special gift for attending as well. Workshops will be offered in Jefferson, Madison, Leon, Gadsden and Wakulla counties.

Our goal is to reach 500 people. If you believe in what Seed Time Harvest is doing, or you have benefited from its services, then we need your help to meet our goal. Call to schedule a workshop and/or food demonstration today. You don't want to miss this opportunity to share something wonderful with your family, friends, or business associates. Good information, great bites to eat, and a special bonus for you. Call today to 850-251-0386 or email to seedtimebiz@gmail.com for more information. We appreciate your business and as always look forward to serving you soon.



This month's bounty includes blueberries, peaches, corn, tomatoes, and squash.

**VEGGIES:** Our farmers are planting their late summer crops of veggies. Squash, peppers, corn, and tomatoes are still in abundance. Okra and peas are too!

**FRUIT:** Now's the time to get your fresh blueberries, blackberries, and Georgia peaches. Georgia is our neighbor and just happens to have the best peaches on the planet. You should be able to find all of these at your local farmers markets. If not, we'll be back soon and know just

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## FSA Helps Farmers In Need

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If you are an existing farmer, rancher, beekeeper or any other type of agricultural partner, you probably already know about the Farm Service Agency in your county. If you are thinking that agriculture on some level is something that you would like to explore then you need to become familiar with the United States Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA).



**Mark Demott is here to "help farmers participate in the programs available to them."**

Mark Demott is the local County Executive Director for the FSA and can help you with the many programs the agency has to offer. Demott stated "whether you rent or own, are an established or beginning farmer, there is a program that will likely be able to assist you with anything related to agriculture." Demott covers five counties and divides his time between two offices, one

in Monticello and the other in Madison. The counties he assists are Jefferson, Leon, Madison, Taylor and Wakulla.

The programs offered by the FSA include:

**Farm Loans** – Farmers and ranchers who can't obtain commercial credit from a bank, Farm Credit institution, or other lender can apply for a loan. These loans could be for operating expenses that include livestock,

equipment, feed, seed or fertilizer. Ownership loans that purchase or improve farmland are also available. If you are a beginning farmer or rancher, a rural youth, minority or a woman there is a FSA loan for you as well.

**Conservation Programs** work with farmers and ranchers to protect and preserve drinking water, soil erosion, wildlife habitat, forests and wetlands. **Disaster Assistance Programs** provides assistance for natural disaster losses resulting from drought, flood, fire, freeze, tornadoes, pest infestation and other calamities.

For more information on the USDA's Farm Service Agency, you can go to www.fsa.usda.gov. While there you can sign up for the FSA's news releases or have their newsletters sent to your email address. You can also contact Mark Demott directly at his Monticello office, 997-2072, or his Madison office, 973-2205.

## Local Artist/Farmer Holds Weaving Workshop

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Farmer, artist, and Jefferson County resident, Alice Cappa will be holding a "Tri-Weave Workshop," on Saturday, August 10, at Mission San Luis.

The event will be from 10 am to 4 pm and requires pre-registration. Space is limited. During the workshop, Cappa will be teaching guests how to build their own weaving frame and how to make a triangular scarf.

Cappa is a fiber artist, who works in all sorts of fiber media. She is capable of the entire wool process from shearing to dyeing in natural dyes, spinning, and weaving. She is known for beautiful, natural clothing and other art.



Cappa owns a mixed-breed flock of sheep that she gets much of her wool from, including colorful sheep whose wool she does not have to dye. She also tends a raised-bed garden with many of the natural dyeing plants that are needed for her work.

The event is \$70 for members, and \$90 for non-members, plus \$20 to cover the cost of materials. In the end, guests get a scarf that they have made themselves, the feeling of accomplishment that comes with it, a triangular frame that they have made themselves, and the knowledge of how to use it.

The event is sure to be a fun day at a beautiful outdoor living history museum. For more information on this workshop or on Mission San Luis, call (850) 245-6406.



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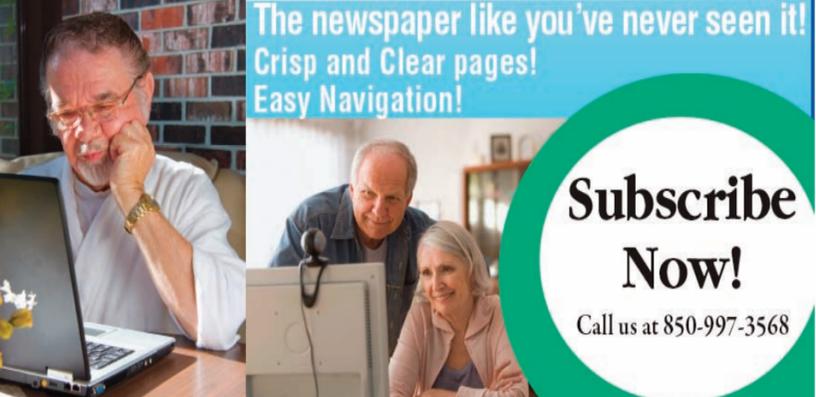
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