

## School Board Does Its Homework; Denies Charter School Application (Applicant Can Appeal Decision)

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Conducting business in a collegial, professional and well-ordered manner, the Jefferson County School Board on Monday evening, Aug. 26, presented an overwhelming case for its denial of a charter school application submitted by a South Florida organization.

The School Board voted unanimously to deny the application, following an hour-and-a-half meeting wherein it quickly became clear that school officials here had done their homework and representatives of the Inlet Grove Community High School were more or less caught flatfooted.

So much so that at one point, Tallahassee Attorney John Rudolph, representing the Inlet Grove group, asked for a brief recess to go outside and "re-group", as one School Board member later described it.

Or as another School Board member colloquially put it, the School Board had its "ducks in a row", with School Board Member Larry Halsey the lead aligner. In a lengthy presentation for which he twice apologized, Halsey pointed out repeated inconsistencies and contradictions in the 200-plus page application, citing specific passages — or chapter and verse as he called it — to underscore his points.

Before Halsey, a citi-

zens' committee specially appointed by Superintendent Al Cooksey to review and assess the Inlet Grove application presented a 20-page report of its findings.

The committee assessed the application in 19 areas, including target population and student body, educational program design, curriculum plan, school climate and discipline, organizational plan, and management.

The committee rated each area as meeting the standard, partially meet-

ing the standard, or not meeting the standard, based on the stated objective of each area, the statutory requirements and the applicable evaluation criteria.

Mazie Rojas, acting as the spokesperson for the committee, named each of the 19 areas in her presentation and gave the committee's evaluation on each and the reasons for the committee's rating. Of the 19 areas, the committee found three that met the standard, six that par-

tially met the standard, nine that did not meet the standard, and one that was inapplicable.

Part of the committee's report included brief comments from Chief Financial Officer Robert Lloyd, who cited various deficiencies in the charter school's proposed budget and financial report, including in his estimation, both unrealistic cost figures and funding projections.

The committee's recommendation was for denial of the application.

Halsey took over next, pointing out numerous inconsistencies and contradictions in the application and asking for clarification on each, to which questions the charter school representatives ei-

ther had no responses or their responses failed to satisfy Halsey's expressed concern.

Halsey's questioning pointed to internal contradictions and inconsistencies in the voluminous application in terms of the projected student population the school planned to serve, the grade levels it planned to offer, the projected funding it expected to receive, the staffing slots and staffing-to-student ratio, and the services that the charter school expected to contract with the Jefferson County School District, among other alleged discrepancies.

Rudolph, the charter school's attorney, could Please See APPLICATION Page 3



## North Florida Community College Ranks Second Best In Nation

Washington Monthly ranked North Florida Community College (NFCC) second among national community colleges in its ninth annual college rankings survey. Four other Florida College System (FCS) institutions made the list: Chipola College, Miami Dade College, Valencia College and South Florida State College.

"North Florida Community College is honored to be among the top community colleges in the nation," said NFCC President John Grosskopf.

"Our strong commitment to educating students from all walks of life is reflected in these rankings. I could not be more proud of our college and its dedicated faculty and staff."

"This honor recognizes the Florida College System's commitment to both access and high-quality education," said FCS Chancellor Randy Hanna.

"I commend our colleges for their ongoing efforts to serve the needs of our state."

Using data from the



Community College Survey of Student Engagement and U.S. Department of Education, Washington Monthly rates community colleges in a number of areas, including collaborative learning, student effort, academic rigor, student-faculty interaction and support for learning. Retention, graduation and completion rates are also factored into the rankings.

According to Washington Monthly's editors,

"We designed the Washington Monthly college rankings to embody the American higher education compact at the institutional level. Instead of lauding colleges for closing their doors to all but an elite few, we give high marks to institutions that enroll low-income students, help them graduate and don't charge them an arm and a leg to attend."

"These rankings are especially important because they highlight the

system's mission of providing access to low-cost, high-quality education and job training," said Chancellor Hanna. "I am extremely proud of all of our colleges for helping prepare Floridians for high-skill, high-wage jobs."

For more information, view Washington Monthly's rankings.

For more information about the Florida Department of Education, visit [www.fldoe.org](http://www.fldoe.org).

## Consultant Selected For Visioning Project

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The Jefferson County Commission last week approved the selection of the consultant who will develop an action plan to implement some of the goals identified in the FSU visioning study.

The commission based its decision on the recommendation of the selection committee assigned the task of vetting the applicants. As it turned out, only one company responded to the county's Request for Proposal.

That company is the Lloyd-based CPI Consulting, also known as Creative Pursuits, Inc., which describes itself as multidisciplinary consulting firm doing business since 1984. The company's founder and president is Marcia Elder, the consultant on the original Monticello visioning initiative that served as the basis of the more recent FSU study.

The commission is expected to take up the contract with CPI Consulting at its meeting on Tuesday morning, Sept. 2.

According to Economic Development Director Julie Conley, who both secured the \$35,000 state grant for formulation of the action plan and was part of the selection committee, the consultant's task will be to take certain of the conceptual goals identified in the visioning initiative and provide a doable plan for the implementation of the goals. The consultant, in other words, will provide a series of concrete and doable steps, along with identifying potential funding sources, setting timeframes for completion of the steps, and describing the expected economic impact of each accomplished goal.

The focus of the action plan will be in the areas of agriculture and ecotourism, with an add-on study to determine the feasibility of pursuing a natural gas tap at the industrial park.

The funding for the project is coming from the Florida Department of Economic Development.

## County Awaiting Word On \$200,000 Fed Grant

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A decision is expected soon on a \$200,000 federal grant that this community is seeking to help offset the construction cost of a building at the industrial park to bring a new business here.

Economic Development Director Julie Conley said on Wednesday, Aug. 28, that a decision on the sought grant from the USDA Rural Development could come as soon as this or next week. Once that decision was known, the county could proceed with bidding out the building for construction, she said.

The reason a decision on the grant was taking longer than usual was because the county was competing for the money at the national level, Conley said. And the reason the county was holding up on the bidding until the decision on the grant was known was be-

cause, if successful in getting the funding, the county would have to abide by federal rules when bidding out the project, she said.

The commission has committed to expending \$800,000 to construct a warehouse/office building at the industrial park for American Hunter Inc., a Tallahassee-based company that has been trying to relocate here going on three years.

The commission's commitment is part of a \$1.6 million investment that it has made at the industrial park in terms of making the facility more marketable and enticing to businesses. Among the expenditures are the preparation of a stormwater master plan and feasibility study and construction of a retention pond.

American Hunter sells sporting goods via the Internet.

The plan ultimately is for American Hunter to purchase the building.

## Proposed Bill Calls For Labeling Of Genetically Engineered Foods

For the second time in as many years, State Representative Michelle Rehwinkel-Vasilinda has filed legislation calling for the labeling of genetically engineered (GE) foods.

House Bill (HB) 1, if approved, would require that by July 1, 2014, any food offered for retail sale in Florida must disclose via its labeling if it is partially or entirely produced with genetic engineering. The label would have to appear either on the package offered for retail sale, or, in the case of food that is not separately packaged or labeled, on the retail store shelf or bin. The bill is intended to require retail labeling only; it would exempt products such as food served in restaurants and alcoholic beverages.

Rehwinkel-Vasilinda notes that the United States currently has no state or federal measures requiring that GE foods be labeled. By contrast, 61 countries — including key



U.S. trading partners — already have laws mandating disclosure of GE foods on product labels.

"HB-1 would establish a consistent and enforceable standard for labeling all foods produced using genetic engineering, and thus provide Florida's consumers with knowledge of how their food is produced," Rehwinkel-Vasilinda said on the filing of the bill. "I received over 1,500 petition cards from Floridians who asked that they be afforded the opportunity to

be fully informed about whether the food they and their families purchase and eat is produced with genetic engineering so that they can choose for themselves whether to purchase and eat such foods."

Identifying GE foods would also help protect the state's agricultural economy, she said.

"This is an issue where we can all find common ground regardless of party, ideology, income, or culture," Rehwinkel-Vasilinda said.

**News Office To Close**

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**Jefferson Journal**

The Monticello News and Jefferson Journal office will be closed on Monday, Sept. 2, in observance of Labor Day. The office will resume normal operating hours on Tuesday, Sept. 3.

# 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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**D**avid Lloyd Charroin, 45, of Lamont, was arrested August 10 and charged with driving under the influence. Bond was set at \$1,000 and he bonded out of jail the same day.

Christopher Rashad Jones, 26, of Jefferson County, was arrested August 11 and charged with writ of attachment for court costs. Bond was set at \$195 and he bonded out of jail the same day.

Donalee Lompmez, 27, of Monticello, was arrested August 12 and charged with petit theft less than

\$100. Bond was set at \$5,000 and she bonded out of jail the following day.

Ervin Fead, Jr., 33, of Jefferson County, was arrested August 12 and charged with writ of attachment. Bond was set at \$385 and he bonded out of jail the following day.

Austin Smith, 28, of Monticello, was arrested August 13 and charged with failure to appear on the charge of driving while license suspended or revoked, and failure to appear on the charge of no motorcycle endorsement. A total bond of \$5,000 was set and he bonded out of jail the same day.

Wilhelm Andrews, 58, of Jefferson County, was

arrested August 20 and charged with writ of attachment. Bond was set at \$225 and he bonded out of jail on the same day.

Lathern Jones, 51, of Tallahassee, was arrested August 20 and charged with violation of probation on the charge of driving under the influence, and violation of probation on the charge of driving while license suspended. Bond was withheld and he remained at the County Jail August 27.

Arisha Parker, 32, of Tallahassee, was arrested August 21 and charged with harassing phone calls. Bond was set at \$2,500 and she bonded out of jail the same day.

## Fireworks Program Saturday

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**T**he July 4 "make-up" program is slated for Saturday, with activities to begin at approximately 5 p.m. at Death Valley.

The program was slated for the Labor Day weekend after being rained out on July 4. The fireworks would have been rendered useless if not used soon.

The concession stands will open at 5 p.m.

The Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 251 will have a barbecue ribs and chicken stand. They will also be selling sodas and water.

The American Legion Post 49 will be selling hamburgers, hotdogs, French fries, and to drink, punch or tea.

American Legion member Buddy Westbrook advised that Johnston's would also have their mobile unit on site.

There will be two stages set up for entertainment. Musical entertain-

ment is scheduled from 6-8 p.m., at the stage on the southeast end of the field, near the end zone. Various groups will be singing, gospel, country and western, and many different kinds of toe-tapping good music.

John Nelson will be over stage #1 and introduce dignitaries, and give patriotic overviews from 8-8:30 p.m.; and Travis Hussey will be over stage #2.

Nelson added that Florida Governor Rick Scott would also be invited to attend the event, which coordinators are estimating that approximately 1,000 spectators will be present.

If someone would like to sign up to entertain during the event, they can contact Nelson at 241-2745.

Bob Morris will serve as the announcer for the event.

Mandy Self will sing the Star Spangled Banner, and there will be a presentation of Armed Forces service flags, and US flag (colors) by VFW Post 251 and American Legion Post

49 men and women in uniform.

From 8:30 until 9 p.m., actors portraying George Washington and Benjamin Franklin will be on hand to give short speeches.

From 9 p.m. until 10 p.m. will be the grand finale of the evening, the awesome fireworks show orchestrated by Bubba Bullock and his Pyroworks, LLC. The show is a uniform combination of music and very colorful and spectacular fireworks displays, coinciding for the perfect effect and awe-inspiring response from onlookers.

Officers from the Monticello Police Department will be assisting with parking and traffic, and members from the Jefferson County Fire Department/EMS will also be on hand during the event, in case of emergencies.

The cost of this very popular event is approximately \$15,000 and is paid for by city and county governments, various churches, businesses, and others.

## Prime Time StoryTimes Begin At Library

KITTY BROOKS  
Director, Jefferson County  
Bailar Public Library

**T**he library is once again inviting interested families to call and register for the second of three free Prime Time StoryTimes. Prime Time is a six-week 90-minute event that revolves around food,

fellowship, and family centered stories. The upcoming one will start on Monday, September 16 at 6 p.m. and will finish six weeks later on Monday, October 21.

Prime Time originated in Louisiana through a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities. Critical thinking skills are emphasized as the core of the StoryTime. Twenty years later the acclaimed and award winning program has statistical evidence showing that students who complete this humanities based program score higher in standardized tests in not only reading but also math and science.

Prime Time's intended audience is families with children who are

struggling readers between the ages of six through 10. Dinner is served followed shortly by the main event... then the fun begins! Local storyteller Sallie Worley and art educator and artist Penny Hackett bring to life two award winning classic stories; all families are then encouraged to discuss those stories.

Last but not least, free childcare is available for siblings under six and doorprizes are given at every program. For more information or to register call or visit the library at 375 South Water Street, or 850-342-0205. Any library staff member will be happy to answer your questions or sign you up. Hope to see you at the library!

## 'Brew' Ha Ha: Conversations for Coffee

Amber Houston  
Staff Writer



### Hunter Passes The Buck To Taxpayers

**A**t last, Lois Howell-Hunter has said something that is correct and above reproach.

In the August 16 issue of the *Jefferson Journal*, the article "Tax Collector's Attorneys Make Case For State-Approved Budget", ends with this: "She [Hunter] further suggested that the present brouhaha was largely politically motivated."

The context of the comment indicates that she thinks that the members of the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) are politically motivated against her. You may judge for yourself what her actions indicate: is she protecting the citizens that elected her or does she care more about her wallet and the wallets of her grossly-overpaid lawyers than her constituents?

I'm going out on a limb here and saying that she's going to call me in her office and let her lawyers browbeat me for half an hour like they did Laz. God only knows how much it cost Jefferson County taxpayers for two lawyers to drive all the way from Tallahassee to Monticello to bully a journalist. She could have henpecked him herself, and it wouldn't have cost us a thing.

I am surprised that he writes so coolly after being thus abused, but he is a patient man who has earned his wisdom. I am patient, but perhaps less wise: let it come.

For those of you who are having difficulty muddling through the events of the last few weeks, there is no shame in it. Her lawyers accuse the BOCC of "muddying the waters", when Qualls (the obvious spokesperson of the two lawyers) is an expert at talking around issues: after all, that's a lawyer's job. Mine is to clear things up, so let's make sense of this.

When the first budgets came in, the County was at a \$600,000 deficit. After a few hearings, the BOCC had managed to balance the budget—a \$0 deficit. On July 29, two days before the budget was due to the State, Hunter came into the meeting and said she would be turning in a budget—but not to the BOCC, to the State. She would be changing from a Budget officer to a Fee officer.

The difference is this: a budget officer is accountable to the BOCC and is allotted a certain budget each year based upon what the

BOCC agrees to. A fee officer is accountable to the Florida Department of Revenue (FDOR) and works off of a commission (or fee) from every transaction that is made by her department. The fee is based upon a formula set forth by the State.

That matters little. She would be getting the same amount of money (FDOR won't pass a budget that is too different from her last one), and it doesn't matter to whom she is accountable, as long as she is accountable to someone. That's the triumph of our government: checks and balances.

But there was a reason she preferred to be a fee officer. Her lawyers assert that being accountable to the State prevents her from being improperly influenced by locals. County Commissioner Hines Boyd and others with excellent senses of smell cite the ongoing legal battle between Hunter and Mayor Idella Scott. Hunter requested more money for next year's legal expenses than the BOCC would have ever given her.

Scott used to work at Hunter's office as a clerk. There are many rumors about the cause of Scott's termination, and none of them agree on who was at fault, what happened, or whether or not it was actually wrongful. Federal court will now have to decide the truth of the matter, because Scott filed suit against Hunter for wrongful termination.

The easiest way for this to end—and least expensive for the County taxpayers—would have been for the liability insurance lawyers to handle the case. The lawyers that the insurance company uses are experts in their field. They would have found a way to settle out of court, and the insurance company would have paid any damages. After all, that's why we pay for liability insurance.

Instead, Hunter insisted on using her own lawyers—not just one of them, but two. I will not deny that she has the right to choose her own legal counsel. However, by refusing the insurance company's chosen attorneys, Hunter also refused her right to be covered by the insurance company, in the same way medical insurance wouldn't cover a doctor that wasn't on their list.

Insurance companies deal in absolutes. If they are performing well, they

provide solidarity in the face of uncertainty. That's why they have specialist attorneys they know, have worked with, and trust. These are the lawyers on the provider's approved list, much like medical insurance has approved doctors. Those attorneys help create the solidarity that insurance provides. Why would they use an attorney whose performance and success they could not predict?

And while Hunter's lawyers claim that the liability insurance does not cover her, the insurance company says she's covered. She is covered because her office was included when the company calculated the premium we pay them, which is based off of the number of offices we ask them to cover.

Let's say that you pay for health insurance for years and one day you get sick. No big deal: you have insurance. So you go to the doctor the insurance company has for you, but you decide that (even though these guys are licensed professionals who specialize in your kind of illness) you don't want to use them. Of course you can use a different doctor, even two if you like. It is your right, but it hardly makes sense.

And in that healthcare metaphor, you'd have to pay for those doctors. In the case with Hunter, we the taxpayers will pay for her lawyers—plural. Why pay for insurance if you aren't going to use it, and why pay for two lawyers when you only need one? Sure, it's Hunter's right, but it is also folly.

Now back to the budget issues. The budget she turned in to the State took her previous \$10,000 a year in legal expenses and boosted them to \$100,000 a year for this current litigation. And if she had used the insurance company lawyer for this suit, it wouldn't cost the taxpayers a dime. She's already paid her lawyers over \$50,000 for this case, and now asks \$100,000 more. She gets paid over \$90,000 a year and has benefits (wouldn't that be nice?). Each year, her position costs taxpayers over \$130,000. Why shouldn't she pay for her own lawyers? Why should we the taxpayers have to foot the bill for her folly?

So is she looking out for those that elected her? Does she care how much she costs taxpayers? Or does she care about making her lawyers wealthy despite the cost to us?

## Pecan Field Day Set

### For September 5

JED DILLARD  
Jefferson County Extension  
Agent

**H**arvest time is coming for Florida pecan

growers. Demand is up, irrigation needs are down and fungus pressure has been a serious problem over the entire Southeast.

Producers will meet in Monticello on Thursday, September 5 for the annual field day and Pecan Growers' Association meeting.

Registration begins at the Jefferson County Extension Office, located at 2729 West Washington at 8:30 a.m.

The morning's topics will provide updates on water policy, disease and insect management, direct marketing, and tree spacing. If the presentations don't answer your questions, you'll have time to visit with the speakers and other leaders of the pecan industry in the Southeast.

Following lunch, there will be a tour of the pecan tree growing facilities at Simpson Nurseries, a long-time leader in the Florida pecan business.

Pesticide applicator credits have been approved for Ag row crop, Ag tree crop, private applicator and research, and demonstration categories.

Lunch will be provided, but register with the Jefferson County Extension by calling 850-342-0187 by Tuesday to reserve your meal. If you need additional information, contact Jed Dillard at dillardjed@ufl.edu.

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# From Front Page



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### Nude Man Flees From Police On Motor Scooter

In Utrera, Spain, police say they arrested a man accused of fleeing while riding a motor scooter nude and intoxicated. Civil Guard traffic units responded to reports of a nude man riding a scooter on a local road, driving unsteady and then refused to stop when ordered. The man eventually dismounted the scooter and fled on foot before falling into a field of sunflowers. He is facing charges of reckless driving and driving under the influence of alcohol.

### Marriage Agreement To Kenyan Woman Signed By Two Different Men

In Nairobi, Kenya, a woman has two men who have signed an agreement for marriage. The marriage agreement includes a schedule for Sylvester Mwendwa and Elijah Kimani to live in the woman's house and help raise any future children. The woman has been having affairs with both men for four years. A community police officer said the two men signed the agreement after the two men were seen fighting over the woman. The BBC said polyandry (the practice of a woman being married to more than one man), is not practiced by any community in Kenya. Kenyan family lawyer, Judy Thongori, said the law does not explicitly forbid polyandry. Mwendwa said the arrangement may be illegal, but decided to enter into the contract with Kimani and their wife to end the rivalry between the two men. Mwendwa states, "Our arrangement is good as it sets boundaries and helps us keep peace."

### Man Threatens To Kill Wife Over Not Cleaning Litter Box

In Palm Coast, Fla., the Flagler County Sheriff's office arrested a man accused of threatening to kill his wife for not cleaning out the cat litter box. Deputies spoke to the wife of Avelino Urbano Garon, who said the couple had been fighting all day. The arrest report stated, "Avelino was becoming angrier and threatening to throw the cat against the wall." Avelino allegedly "took possession of a knife" and said to his wife, "Do you want me to kill you? I will kill you." A deputy wrote in the report that, "Avelino made a verbal statement advising that he believes a wife is responsible for cleaning the litter box and did not wrong in threatening her." Garon was arrested on a charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon and was released after posting \$1,000 bail.

### Woman Recovers Stolen Bike From Craigslist Ad

In Vancouver, a British Columbian woman said she was able to steal back her bicycle after seeing it on a Craigslist ad. Kayla Smith said that after her bike was stolen, she saw an ad on Craigslist the next day that sounded like it could be her lost bike. Smith arranged to meet the seller at a fast food restaurant and after seeing the bicycle, knew it was hers. She said the man told her he had purchased the bike from his roommate. Smith said, "Holy crap, this is my bike, like what do I do? And then I was just, like, play dumb." Smith asked the man if she would be able to take the bike for a test ride and she said, "then I just got on and rode away."

Vancouver police Constable Brian Montague said, "This could be really dangerous. You don't know who you're dealing with." He said victims of theft should call police instead of attempting to confront thieves on their own.

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only offer that his group had only then received the committee's report and time was needed to address and compose responses to the various cited discrepancies. Moreover, he said, the Inlet Grove group had prepared a revised budget that addressed the alleged deficiencies with the original and it was prepared to submit the new document. He noted that it was his understanding that the School Board had to allow time for the charter school to respond and revise the application.

School Board Attorney Opal Williams, however, disagreed. She said the response and revise option applied only if the application contained technical deficiencies, not the substantive deficiencies noted by the committee. The application, moreover, had already been revised once, she said.

It was Williams' interpretation of the state requirements that, given the substantive nature of the cited deficiencies, unless the charter school group could offer compelling evidence to the contrary at present, the School Board was within its right to deny the application.

Which the board proceeded to do ultimately, with School Board Member Phil Barker making the motion to deny and School Board Shirley Washington seconding it.

Before the vote, however, Halsey proceeded to point out for the record a few more inconsistencies and contradictions in the application.

His fear, Halsey concluded, was that the charter school's student population — which the group projected would mostly come from home-schooled students and those students attending private schools and/or schools outside the district — would actually end up coming from Jefferson County Middle High School (JCMHS). Which would only further erode the school's already declined enrollment, and by de-facto, force JCMHS to become a conversion charter school because of the economy of scale, Halsey said.

Conversion charter schools, as defined by the Florida Department of Education (FDOE), are traditional public schools that have operated for at least two years as traditional public schools and are then converted to charter schools. Conversion charter schools are not eligible for charter school capital outlay funding if the conversion charter school operates in facilities provided to them by the school district.

Halsey said he didn't want to second-guess the FDOE. But it seemed to him that it would be at cross-purposes for the FDOE to mandate that the

Jefferson County School District had to adopt turn-around option 2, or a district-managed school, and then for the state agency to turn around and create a situation that would force the school to convert to a charter school.

"It will take us longer than nine months to see the results of our turn-around plan," Halsey said.

Per the procedural rules, the Inlet Grove Community High School now has the option to appeal the School Board's denial.

## Read Your Local Papers Online

Just a reminder to everyone that you can read the actual Monticello News and Jefferson County Journal newspapers online.

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## Tobacco Free Jefferson Partnership



DEBBIE SNAPP  
ECB Publishing  
Staff Writer

Stand up and speak out for a Tobacco Free Jefferson Partnership. The community is invited to join the membership on Tuesday, September 17 for a partnership meeting from 4 to 5 p.m.

The meeting will be held at the Jefferson County Health Department, in the annex building located at 1175 West Washington Street.

For more information about this group and its purpose contact the Tobacco Prevention Specialist at 850-324-0170x2101.

## Why Senior Citizens Still Need Newspapers

I was visiting my granddaughter last night when I asked if I could borrow a newspaper.

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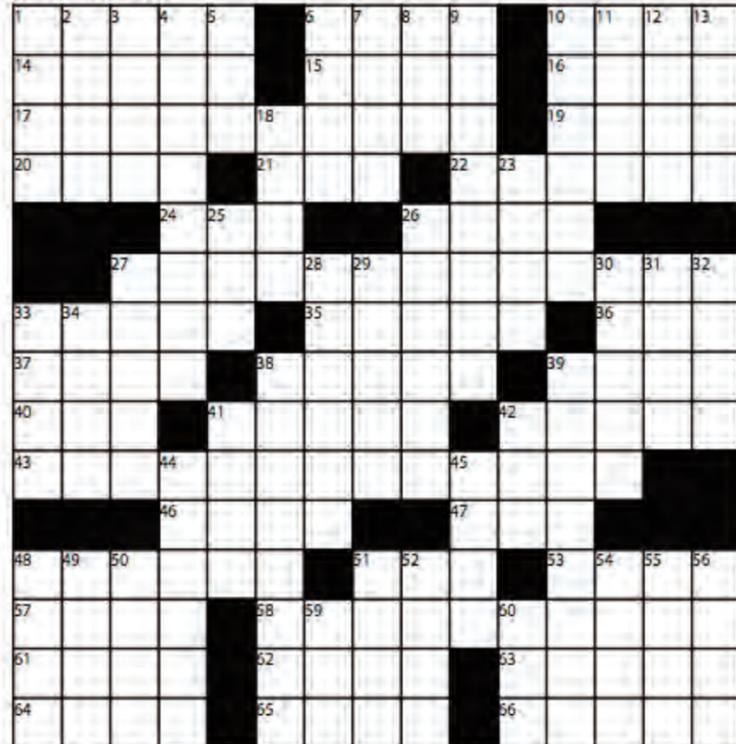
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### ACROSS

- "On the contrary!"
- She, at sea
- Out of room
- At attention
- Catherine, the last wife of Henry VIII
- Big atlas section
- Operating room aide
- Mtge. adjustment
- Follow closely
- Sitcom planet
- Less overcast
- Abner's old radio partner
- Sahara rarity
- Baseball contract feature challenged by Curt Flood
- Othello's people
- Place for icicles
- Vintage auto
- Assns.
- Frat members
- Israeli diplomat Abba
- Fannie
- Hoops player
- Stockpile
- It might be labeled "B"
- Pirate Lafitte
- Ugly as
- Extends, in a way
- "... of thee"
- Utah ski site
- Co. bigwig
- Post office branch, perhaps
- Angry to-do
- Fast-shrinking sea
- Mail, as payment
- Little 'uns
- Sovereign address
- Superstars, to fans



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### DOWN

- Avian home
- Shamu, e.g.
- Garr or Polo
- Some oarsmen
- Gambling spot, in brief
- Cowboy boot attachment
- back (return to a previous point)
- Destination for a W-2
- Book introductions
- Hot breakfast fare
- Manual reader, say
- "Get a \_\_\_!"
- Bandit's refuge
- Iditarod's finish

- Is indisposed
- Enterprise letters
- April 18, 1775 rider
- Synonym compiler
- Gipp portrayer
- Catering hall parker
- Densely packed, in a way
- Salton and Sargasso
- Years and years
- N.Y.C. gallery
- Nonwritten exam
- Bull Run, to the South
- Fourth
- Shell team
- "Kim" horse trader
- Removes, as a CD
- "Hey there!"
- Mark on a score
- Trade fair
- Clean and orderly
- Way up a mountain spot
- Sunny vacation spot
- Bride and groom's vehicle
- Slave away
- Bugs in a hill
- Geller with a psychic act
- "Exodus" hero

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# Jefferson County Living

## Governor Rick Scott Signs Intellectual Disabilities Bill Into Law And Helps End The R-Word In Florida Senate Bill 142 Passed Unanimously in Florida Legislature

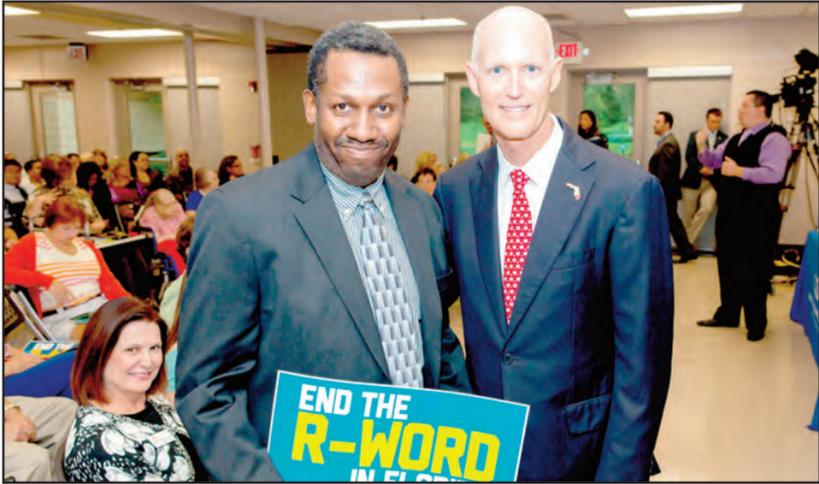


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Derrick Snead, who lives in Monticello but goes to Madison every day to enjoy the advantages the Arc Big Bend offers, holds a sign urging to end the R-word in Florida.

Gov. Rick Scott signed Senate Bill 142, the Intellectual Disabilities Bill, into law today in Tallahassee. The bill, which was passed unanimously by the Florida Legislature in April, removes the phrase "mental retardation" from state statutes and replaces it with "intellectual disabilities."

"I hate that word," said Elizabeth O'Brien, a self-advocate from Spring Hill, who has greatly suffered from people calling her "retard." A group of kids once threw rocks at her and she has never forgotten it. O'Brien was relieved to learn that Senate Bill 142 will officially become law on July 1. "I'm glad he signed it. That makes me very happy."

The Arc of Florida, a non-profit organization that advocates on behalf of individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities, spent three years working to pass the Intellectual Disabilities Bill. Senate Bill

142 was sponsored by Sen. Thad Altman (R-Melbourne.) The House version of the bill, House Bill 1119, was sponsored by Rep. Janet Adkins (R-Fernandina Beach.)

"Governor Scott and the Florida Legislature are to be commended for taking a stand against the R-word," said Michele Poole, president of The Arc of Florida. "This is a significant step forward in the fight to end bullying against people with intellectual disabilities."

"Mental retardation" was once considered a valid medical term, but over the years, it was twisted into a hurtful slang word that promotes negative stereotypes of people with intellectual disabilities. The American Association on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities and American Psychiatric Association changed their official diagnoses from "mental retardation" to "intellectual disability."

Federal health, education and labor policy statutes were changed in 2010 when Congress unanimously passed and President Obama signed "Rosa's Law." The Social Security Administration recently announced its intent to make the change to its official "Listing of Impairments."

For more information on the End the R-word in Florida campaign, visit <http://www.norword.org>.

The Arc Big Bend played a role in this bill being passed with one of our own testifying at the Capitol numerous times to discuss his perspective why this word should end. Last Thursday, in Orlando, there was a ceremonial bill signing in which Derrick Snead was invited to attend. We are proud of Derrick and all of the folks we serve to stand up and ask for what is right. We are also proud of the support we receive from the citizens of Jefferson and surrounding counties.

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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### August 29 - September 19

Covenant Hospice is offering a six-week grief support group from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. on Thursdays at the Covenant Hospice Office. Those who attend will have the opportunity to explore their grief in a safe and caring environment, as the feelings of grief and loss can be overwhelming. The support group is free but registration is required. Light refreshments will be served. To register for this support group, or for additional information, contact Bobbie Massey, LCSW at 850-575-4998 or email to [bobbie.massey@covenant.hospice.org](mailto:bobbie.massey@covenant.hospice.org).

### August 29

AA meeting at 8 p.m. on Thursday at the Christ Episcopal Church annex, 425 North Cherry Street. For more information call 850-997-2129 or 850-997-1955.

### August 30

Monticello Jamboree Band will perform music for dancing at 7 p.m. on Friday at 625 South Water Street. 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 some fun and camaraderie with neighbors and friends. This is a nonprofit charitable event; donations are accepted. For questions or concerns, contact Curtis Morgan at 850-933-8136 or Bobby Connell at 850-445-0049.

### August 31

'Homebaked Sale' from 9 to 11 a.m. on Saturday, hosted by the Jefferson County Lions Club, in the Monticello News parking lot. Come meet with club members and friends as you shop the tables for a homebaked goodie to take home. Pies, cakes, brownies, and other treats will be made available. Cold

drinks and hot coffee will also be sold for a small donation. If you would like to donate a baked item, or if you'd like to volunteer to help on this morning, or if you'd like some information about joining the club, come on out for a visit. Club members are also selling \$1 tickets for their quarterly raffle for a beautiful, silk flower arrangement.

### August 31

Jefferson County Branch of the NAACP will meet at noon on the last Saturday at the MLK Center. Contact Charles Parrish at 850-997-3760 for more information.

### August 31

Fourth of July Fireworks Show and Program has been scheduled for Saturday evening. For agenda input and information, or to volunteer, contact John R. Nelson, Sr., Past District 2 VFW Commander, VFW Post 251 Activities Chairman, at 850-241-2745.

### September 1

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 [aholt@ahholt.com](mailto:aholt@ahholt.com) or [www.mainstreetmonticellofl.org](http://www.mainstreetmonticellofl.org).

### September 1

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.

### September 2

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.

### September 2

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 [aholt@ahholt.com](mailto:aholt@ahholt.com) Come to hear about updates and projects that MainStreet has been working on.

### September 2

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).

### September 2

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.

### September 3

AA classes are held on Tuesdays at 8 p.m. for those seeking help. The classes are held at the Harvest Christian Center, 1599 Springholow Road. Contact Marvin Graham, pastor, at 850-212-7669 for more information.

### September 3

Farmer's & Merchants Bank will host a 'Blood Drive' from 1 to 6 p.m. on Tuesday, the parking lot on East Washington Street... just watch for the bloodmobile! All donors will receive a cool t-shirt, and a wellness checkup, including a cholesterol screening. Also, ask how you can qualify for an Outback Steak House Dinner with a blood donation. Sign-up today by calling Jerry Boatwright or Sonja Brock at 850-997-6000X1028 or [sbrock@fmbbank.com](mailto:sbrock@fmbbank.com).

## Annie Seabrooks Celebrates 103rd Birthday



ECB Publishing Photo By Debbie Snapp, August 22, 2013

Annie Seabrooks celebrates her 103rd Birthday on August 31.

**DEBBIE SNAPP**  
ECB Publishing  
Staff Writer

Annie Seabrooks will celebrate her 103rd birthday on Saturday, August 31.

She was born on August 31, 1910 to Wash and Lucinda William Alexander.

She married Leroy Seabrooks, Sr. at the age of 21 and continues to live in the house they shared and raised their three children in.

Rev. Jimmie F. Dickey says the Seabrooks is the oldest living member of the New Bethel AME Church, on the Ashville Highway.

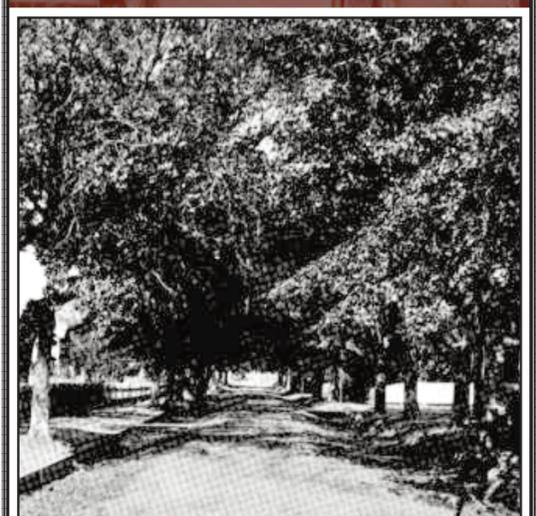
Her son Leroy Seabrooks, Jr. (Lilliaree) shares that his mother continues to enjoy her life and especially her visits with family and friends.

She has a younger sister Lizzie Collins, four grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren, six great-great-grandchildren and three great-great-great-grandchildren.

In her lifetime she has been witness to many changes and she thanks God every day for blessing her with a long and wonderful life.

"Annie is still very talkative and lively," says her friend Bessie Lee Galton. "And, she can be very vocal about some things."

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East Washington Street, Monticello in 1930.

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# Jefferson County Living

## Meet Your Neighbor: Margie Stern

**AMBER HOUSTON**  
ECB Publishing  
Staff Writer

**M**argie Stern moved to Monticello in 2006.

A well-traveled woman, Stern was born in Brooklyn, raised in Chicago, and has lived in Alaska, South Florida, and elsewhere. She became acquainted to Monticello, when she visited her sister in law who lived in Tallahassee.

"We drove through, and I was so in love with the trees—hardwoods, oaks—it was so beautiful. You know in south Florida, we don't have a lot of pretty hardwoods.



We immediately started looking for properties to buy for retirement," said Stern.

Not that Stern has actually "retired" in any sense of the word. Though she isn't working at the

secretarial position from which she retired in south Florida, she's certainly busy. She co-owns the Peddler's Market Place downtown, where people consign antiques and collectibles. She is also trying to open a coffee shop and bike rental.

In her spare time, as if she has any, she likes to garden. Though she is a dog person to the core, she is the proud spoiler of nine cats and a husband. Her hobbies include civil engagement as President of Mainstreet Monticello, watching old movies, googling things (read: research), gardening, and babying her inside plants.

## Church News Notes

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**August 30**

Tent of the Holy Guests of 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.

**September 1**

Friendship Missionary Baptist Church on Thompson Valley Road will celebrate its anniversary on Sunday at 3 p.m. The Mt. Morilla Missionary Baptist Church family will be in charge of services. Pastor Louise Wallace will be the speaker.

**September 1**

Union Branch Missionary Baptist Church will celebrate its Men & Women's Day program at 11 a.m. on Sunday. All are welcome to come and fellowship with the church family in the name of the Lord. Rev. Terry Presley Sr., pastor.

**September 4, 18**

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.

**September 7**

Memorial Missionary

Baptist Church Missionary Ministry will host a Prayer Breakfast at 9 a.m. on Saturday in the church annex. Speaker for the occasion will be Minister Palmyra Williams of the St. Stephens Missionary Baptist Church in Tallahassee. Come join together to lift up the name of Jesus and give Him all the praise. For more information, contact Rev. Joretha Sloan at 850-997-2705. Rev. Dr. J.B. Duval, pastor.

**September 7**

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

**September 8**

Union Hill AME Church will hold its 115th Church Celebration at 5 p.m. on Sunday, at the church location 148 Tin Top Road in Wacissa. Guest speaker will be Bishop Willie A. Battles with the Unity Temple International Fellowship in Williston. Rev. Joseph O. Love, pastor.

**September 10**

Sons of Allen of the Union Bethel Circuit meets monthly on the second Tuesday at 7 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 14**

New Hope Church Of God Seniors In Christ will hold a yard sale all-day Saturday in the Monticello News parking lot during Flea Across Florida. For more information and to make a donation, contact Coordinator Barbara Dansby at 850-646-7188.

**September 15**

Welaunee Missionary Baptist Church will celebrate its annual Dual Day Service beginning at 11 a.m. on Sunday. Speaker will be Evangelist Josie Graham of Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church in Madison. Conclusion of the Dual Day Service will be held at 3 p.m. with speaker Rev. James Mack of St. Rilla Missionary Baptist Church of Monticello.

**September 27**

Joyful Noise Dinner, Concert, and Silent Auction at 6 p.m. on Friday at the First United Methodist Church, in the Family Ministry Center. All proceeds will benefit Jefferson County Big Bend Hospice patients. This annual fundraising event is sponsored by the Jefferson County Advisory Council of Big Bend Hospice and the First United Methodist Church. For ticket information contact Coordinator Michele Brantley at 850-566-7491, or 850-997-2827, or email to bigbendhospice.org.

## Opera House Elects New Board



The 2013-2014 Monticello Opera House Board Members, pictured from left to right are: George King, Bill Hatcher, Melanie Mays, Gene Hall, Denise Vogelgesang, Georgiana Barker, Jay Adams, Linda Schrader, Ron Cichon, Fran Litton. Not pictured are: Terri Dunn, Kevin Carr, and Nancy Wideman. Announced on August 9, 2013 during the annual Meeting.

**DEBBIE SNAPP**  
ECB Publishing  
Staff Writer

The Monticello Opera House held its annual Board Meeting on August 9. The Friday evening 'beach party' was held at the Opera House, with members and guests singing and dancing to the sounds of the Cheap & Easy band.

Chairperson Denise Vogelgesang gave an overview of the past year.

The Monticello Opera House Board members are: George King, Bill Hatcher, Melanie Mays, Gene Hall, Denise Vogelgesang, Georgiana Barker, Jay Adams, Linda Schrader, Ron Cichon, Terri Dunn, Kevin Carr, Nancy Wideman, and Executive Director Fran Litton.

For a schedule of the new year events, contact Director Fran Litton at 850-997-4242.



Chairperson Denise Vogelgesang, left, recognized Lynn Salter with the Volunteer of the Year Award during the annual Monticello Opera House Board Meeting on August 9, 2013.

## Fish Fry/Car Wash For MLK Center

**DEBBIE SNAPP**  
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A Fish Fry and Car Wash fundraiser will be held on Saturday, September 7 to benefit the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Center.

The event will be held

in the Monticello News parking lot, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

The fish dinners, served with a cold drink, will cost \$7. A fish sandwich and cold drink will cost only \$5.

Cars will be washed and waxed, no vacuuming, for just \$5. Trucks will cost

\$10. An SUV will cost \$20.

The community is invited to come out, meet a few members and friends, and enjoy a fried fish dinner... all for a good cause.

For more information about this event, or to volunteer, contact Annie Severin at annie.severin@jeffersonpa.net.

## Health Department To Host Blood Drive Tuesday

**DEBBIE SNAPP**  
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The Jefferson County Health Department will host a Blood Drive on Tuesday, September 3, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. in its parking lot at 1255 West Washington Street... just watch for the bloodmobile!

All donors will receive a free t-shirt, and a wellness checkup, including a cholesterol screening. Also, ask how you can qualify for an Outback Steak House Dinner with a blood donation. Sign-up today by calling Alice Sander at 850-342-0170X1431 or Ramona Kinsey at 850-342-0170 ext 2221.

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# Jefferson County Living

**Debbie's Notes**

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Girl Scout Troop 49 will continue its 'food drive' through the end of August. Drop-off sites include the Monticello News, Veterinary Associates, and Tupelo's Bakery & Café. Thank you in advance for your donation. All donated food items will go to the local food banks.

Nancy Wideman, with the Jefferson County Tourist Development Council, says, "We are thrilled that the John Moran wildflower photos will be exhibited at the Jefferson Arts Gallery starting in September. The Florida Wildflower Foundation has hired Eleanor Dietrich to be a liaison between the Panhandle Wildflower Alliance of which we are a member." She shares this note: The Florida Wildflower Foundation is pleased to announce it has tapped Eleanor Dietrich to be its liaison between the Panhandle Wildflower Alliance and FDOT District 3. PWA members reside in District 3 counties, so this action will boost coordination between both entities. For months, Dietrich, as a volunteer, has taken the lead in working with FDOT to plan, evaluate and implement reduced mowing in areas identified by District 3 PWA member. Her

affiliation with the Foundation will enable her to focus more effort on the PWA evolving relationship with the department. Her role will include coordinating with District 3 on its Landscape and Vegetation Management Plan, providing PWA input and technical assistance for the Designated Natural Areas effort, and coordinating with state FDOT personnel on the Wildflower Program policy.

Covenant Hospice is gearing up for its first 'Cocktails for a Cause Football & Fashion' benefiting Covenant Hospice. This enjoyable and worthy event, which will support the critical work of Covenant Hospice, features local vendors who will be offering their fashions and goodies for sale as models show off the fashions of Florida State University, University of Florida, Auburn, University of Georgia, and Alabama. This event will take center stage at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, September 12 at the University Center Club. It's open to the public and admission is free, donations are appreciated. Guests will enjoy complimentary hors d'oeuvres and drink specials; space is limited. Call 850-644-8528 for more information. Covenant Hospice is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to

providing comprehensive, compassionate services to patients and loved ones during times of life-limiting illnesses.

It's that time again! It's the 'Flea Across Florida', the longest yard sale from Live Oak to Milton, across Highway 90, beginning on Friday, September 13 and continuing through Saturday, September 14. The Monticello/ Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce is helping to organize the event along with the Courtyard Flea Market on South 19. If you would like vendor space, call Chamber Director Melanie Mays at 850-997-5552 for Chamber spaces only \$25 this year if you purchase through the Chamber. The Chamber is not selling spaces to food vendors this year. You can also visit the Chamber online at [www.monticellojeffersonfl.com/flea-across-florida](http://www.monticellojeffersonfl.com/flea-across-florida) to register today. The Courtyard Flea Market has 10 available vendor spaces. Or, if you would like to place an ad in the Official Monticello Flea Across Florida Map, call Kent Phillips at 850-321-8749 or email him at [theplace@mindspring.com](mailto:theplace@mindspring.com). Ads for the map cost \$5 for private vendors (selling on their own property on Highway 90; \$10 for businesses; no charge for non-profits. The Monticello Health & Fitness Center also has spaces available to rent. Call Debbie at 850-997-4400 or email her at [monticellohealthandfitness@gmail.com](mailto:monticellohealthandfitness@gmail.com).

The United Way of the Big Bend and 2013 Campaign Chairman John Hogan kicked off the 71<sup>st</sup> annual community campaign on Thursday afternoon, August 29. If you would like to volunteer, or for more information, contact Kate Cruikshank at [kate@uwbb.org](mailto:kate@uwbb.org). 'It's Not How Tall You Stand ~ It's What You Do For Others.'

## 4-H 8-9 Year-Old Day Camp Was A Success

According to a longitudinal study conducted by Dr. Richard Lerner at the Institute for Applied Research in Youth Development at Tufts University, when compared to their peers, young people involved in 4-H programs:

- Report higher levels of academic competence and an elevated level of engagement at school,
- Are more likely to plan to go to college, and are
- Two times more likely to participate in SET (science, engineering, and technology) learning programs during out-of-school time.

The theme for this year's summer day camps is "Get Ready, S.E.T (Science Engineering and Technology), Go."

The Jefferson County Extension Office offered weeklong camps of fun learning activities. The week began with "Get Acquainted Games". This introduced campers to each other and set the foundation supporting collaboration. 4-H utilizes the "learn by doing" model.

Eight to nine-year old campers also participated in organized recreation. Some of the most memorable highlights of the week included entomology with Dr. Janice Peters from FAMU Entomology Dept. Dr. Peters and her staff brought exotic insects from around the world. The campers had an opportunity to ID various species of insects; the campers learned about the different habitats insects live in, the body parts, how they communicate and which insects can walk on water. 4-Hers then were en-



Isabella Gray (left) and Katie Brown holding their eco-bot. They were winners of the eco-bot challenge race.

couraged to put their entomology skills to work catching bugs at the Extension Office.

Campers learned how a solar oven works from Fran Sullivan-Frahs - The Electric Vehicle Initiative. Youth learned how food is cooked through solar heating and how the sun powers solar panels. What was really cool, youth had an opportunity to ride in an electric car. Can you imagine riding in a car with no sound and exhaust?

Our very rambunctious 8 to 9 year campers had an opportunity to participate in the 4-H Eco-Bot Challenge. Campers built and programmed a robot to clean up a simulated environmental spill - a mission that in real life would be too difficult or dangerous for humans to carry out.

The camper did the following:

- Assemble Eco-Bots, and explore its functions.
  - Design a set of control surfaces to simulate an environmental cleanup project.
  - Raced robots to see who had the fastest robot.
- Golden Acres Ranch is always a big hit with youth. Can you tell the dif-

ference between a kid and a lamb? Jefferson County "4-H campers can! This was one of the first questions that Ms. Golden asked campers as they toured her farm. Youth were then asked to put their knowledge to the test and identify goats versus sheep as they continued their tour. They were able to take the information Ms. Golden provided and identified the character traits in the animals that distinguished goats from sheep and make informed educated guesses on the animals.

Youth are able to not only recognize and recite concrete information, but confidently analyze information and apply that information to new situations. Thus facilitating higher order thinking.

Special thanks to our teen counselors for volunteering and sharing their summer with us, Ta'Neshia Scott, Allison Cone, Tearra Scott, Tyler Rivers and Otis Scott.

For more information about Jefferson County 4-H Programs, please call us at 850-342-0187 or go to our website at: <http://jefferson.ifas.ufl.edu/>.

## Male Choir Holds Car Wash Fundraiser



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**Memorial Missionary Baptist Church Male Choir held a car wash fundraiser on Saturday morning to raise donations for its club expenses. Pictured from left to right are: Major Bellamy and Timothy Ford.**

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## WoofStock Benefit Event Scheduled for August 31

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On August 31 at Shiloh Farms, High Wire Charitable Events is putting on their WoofStock event: a day of food, fun, music, and dogs. Proceeds benefit Voices of Chance Animal League (VOCAL) and Cauzican Care, two Tallahassee animal advocacy groups.

Cauzican Event Coordinator, Kaitlyn White, is excited for the event: "We have worked hard to make everything family-friendly - from children to pets. Pets are welcome with their rabies vaccination and tag up-to-date, and children under age thirteen are free. The event is family-friendly, and all bands are screened for appropriate lyrics."

Bands include Wayback Whensday, Devil's Kin, and the Drew Tillman Band. The organizers of the event are still making arrangements with more bands, so the only way to know all of them is to attend. These bands will play some of their own compositions and, "a lot of music from the 1960's and the 1970's," said White. "This month is the anniversary of Woodstock, the music event that our fundraiser is named for, so we will be playing a lot of music that comes from that time."

In addition to bands, food vendors will be everywhere. Various food trucks and establishments will come out to the event, including Big Easy Snowballs, Mayhem Sweets and Treats, Parkway Grill and Catering, and more.

Of course, the center of the event will be dogs, dogs, dogs. Various shelters will be bringing animals seeking forever families. "There will be a few cats," White said, "but this event will truly be a dog lover's dream!"

Owners are welcome to bring their vaccinated dogs to the event to meet and greet with adoptables, other pets, and other owners. Rabies tags should be worn, and owners will be asked to sign a waiver releasing the event from liability.

The Ocklocknee River Kennel Club (OCRKC) will have an agility course set up, and there will be dachshund races periodically throughout the day. This event will be a fun one so do not miss it.

Cauzican Care takes on animals from the Wakulla County Animal Shelter, a kill shelter, and tries to find homes for them. In the interim, they provide food, shelter, foster families, necessary veterinary care, and medicine. The people involved in this organization are mostly volunteers, who work hard and have a true love for animals. This is one of the biggest fundraisers for the organization and is very much needed!

VOCAL has pets available for adoption, but focuses primarily on "breaking the chains" of animals in need. They educate owners on the physical and psychological side effects an animal experiences when it is chained up. They also help build 20' x 30' pens for animals and families in need including an insulated doghouse and provide medical care. Providing all of these services is expensive, and the organization relies on the success of its fundraisers to keep providing them.

Tickets are \$10 if you preorder them, or \$12 at the event. Look in this newspaper for a special coupon allowing you to get tickets for \$10 at the event. Just clip the ad and bring it with you!

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**Pepper**  
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To adopt one of these fine dogs, or to learn about the other animals that Cauzican has available, contact Katelyn White at (850) 766-2382 or visit their Facebook page: "www.facebook.com/CauzicanCare".

## Obituaries

### LOLA PEARL SMITH NOBLE



Lola Pearl Smith Noble, 67, departed this life on Monday, August 26, 2013.

Funeral services will be 1:00 p.m. Saturday at New Jerusalem Missionary Baptist Church, with burial at the church cemetery in the Ashville Community.

Viewing-visitation will be August 30, 2013 from 3:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. at Tillman Of Monticello. Lola was a native of Ashford, AL and one of 18 children, 14 of whom preceded her in death.

She was a retired Certified Nurses Assistant, having worked at Jefferson Nursing Center over 32 years.

Cherishing her love and memory are: her devoted husband, Shelly Noble, Sr.; two sons, Shelly Jr. (Lynet) and Maurice Noble; two sisters, Mary Jane Lawton and Annie Pearl (Wash) Blackmon; brother James (Gloria) Smith; sisters-in-law, Mary (Claude) Edge, Carrie and Bernice Noble; five brothers-in-law, Albert, Robert, William (Ruby) and George (Linda) Noble; and Samuel Pettway; seven grandchildren and a host of other loving relatives and friends.

### VEVA MILLER WOOD

January 25, 1919-August 22, 2013

Mrs. C. Martin Wood Jr. passed away on Thursday August 22, 2013 at 4:00 p.m. at the age of 94. She was born in New Orleans, the daughter of Veva Penick Miller and Dr. Hilliard Eve Miller, the latter being head of obstetrics at Tulane University. She grew up at Number One Audubon Place, an estate that now belongs to Tulane. She attended the Madeira School in Virginia and Vassar College in New York. Veva was chosen to be Mardi Gras Queen of Momus and later Comus. Her mother Veva Penick Miller was Queen of Oberon and her daughter, Veva Penick Wood was Queen of Osiris in 1965.



able memory as she recalled fascinating people, places and events. Her style, elegance, enthusiasm, charm, wit, melodious laugh and distinctive voice set her apart.

She is survived by her son and daughter in law, C. Martin Wood III, Daphne Flowers Wood of Monticello, Florida; her daughter and son in law, Veva W. Mahoney, Ivan L. Mahoney III of Hopkinton, New Hampshire; her grandson and wife, George K. Crozer V, Kate H. Crozer of New London, New Hampshire and great granddaughter Griffin Veva Crozer.

Her second son, Michael Harrah Wood, was killed in an automobile accident while attending the University of the South at Seawee, TN.

Veva moved to Thomasville, GA in 2006. She was a "grande dame" representing the old school of a bygone era and was loved and admired by her family and friends.

A memorial service will be held at All Saints Episcopal Church in Thomasville, GA on Thursday, October 10 at 4:00 p.m. and Veva will be interred in Putnam Cemetery in Greenwich, CT with her husband and son. In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to the Archbold Memorial Hospital Foundation.

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# School



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We are very proud of the large gains our students attained on the FCAT Writing. Did you know that there are games you, as a parent, can play with your student that encourage writing skills as well as technology skills? Give the following a try: 1) Show your child a kid-friendly YouTube video clip WITHOUT the volume on and have him/her tell

you, or write down, what he/she thinks the people were saying, 2) Write a story with your student on their iPad or computer. Take turns adding sentences to the story and, 3) Have each person write a description of a character that they want other people to draw. After each person is done, trade papers and draw the characters that others have described. The person with the most detailed picture wins this game!

Parents/Guardians, please always remember that those students who have families that become involved in their learning experience show higher academic achievement than their counterparts. Please become, and stay, involved. Thank you.

Al Cooksey

## CHS Announces Year-Round Need of School Supplies

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Though the Children's Home Society (CHS) school supply drive ended August 9, CHS has announced that there is a year-round need.

As any parent knows, the supplies bought at the beginning of the school year certainly do not last all year. Backpacks tear, lunchboxes are forgotten at school, and pens run out of ink. This is true of all children, and the need is often greater for children in crisis.

CHS helps children in foster care, children that have been adopted, children that are victims of child abuse, children with developmental challenges, and more. These children need school supplies to do their best in classes, in addition to the support of CHS.

Gift cards and cash are the most useful to CHS as they provide the most flexibility in meeting individual needs. Backpacks that are suitable for teenagers and middle school students—nicely sized, and preferably durable for all those textbooks—are also in high and immediate demand.

Of course, any school supplies are acceptable: 1" and 2" binders, calculators (from the most basic to the graphing type), crayons, colored pencils, composition books, construction paper, folders with pockets, glue sticks, highlighters, markers, notebook paper, pencils, pencil boxes, rulers, scissors, and Ziploc bags. Also, do not forget sanitation and first aid materials: liquid soap, hand sanitizer, Band-Aids, and tissues.

CHS offers valuable benefits to families all over Florida, including Jefferson County. According to their brochure, the North Central Division, offers 12 distinct



services.

These services include, "Adoption & Pregnancy Counseling, [a program that] helps adoptive and birth parents make the best possible plans for children... [and] a full range of adoption services."

They run a "Children's Advocacy Center" which collaborates with the Department of Children and Families (DCF), the State Attorney's Office, and "mental health professionals to investigate allegations of child abuse."

CHS also offers "Community Based Foster Care," placing children in foster care when they can't live safely with their biological families. They also provide Independent Living resources for children who have aged out of foster care.

They offer 24-hour shelter to "children (ages 2-11) suspected of being abused or neglected who cannot stay safely in their own homes," through their Treehouse shelter.

To view their entire list of services, visit their website at [www.chsfl.org](http://www.chsfl.org). Supplies can be dropped off at 1801 Miccosukee Commons Drive, Tallahassee.

For more information call or email Rebecca Amcott at [rebeccaamcott@chsfl.org](mailto:rebeccaamcott@chsfl.org) or (850) 219-4206.



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## Teaching Twins And Triplets At ACA



Aucilla Christian Academy Twins (L to R) Leighton and Benjamin Faglie of Monticello (K5), Aiden and Axel Day of Greenville (3rd), Emma and Kaitlyn Tharpe of Monticello (3rd), Anna Lee and Clay Trest of Monticello (5th), Alissa and Jarrett Roland of Greenville (5th), Anna and Sammi Drawdy of Perry (3rd), and Elizabeth and Caleb Walker of Greenville (1st).

Twenty-five years after ESPN crews arrived to record the Smyrnios triplets in action on Warrior Memorial Field, Aucilla Christian Academy is experiencing a similar phenomena: three sets of twins in one class with a total of seven sets in the elementary grades, giving ACA a 10 percent twin student population in grades K4 through fifth.

Carol Aman, who has taught at ACA for 33 years, says she has never had so many multiples in one class. "They do not sit together, and usually do not pick the other when needing a partner," said Aman. That fact alone may be a little surprising. With three sets of twins in her class, she said she sometimes gets confused with names and who did



Smyrnios Triplets at an ACA Class Reunion In 2012 (L to R): Manuel, George and Gus.

what. "One of them today brought something to share and, at lunch, I forgot which twin it was," said Aman. "The other students, however, don't seem to get confused."

Principal Richard Finlayson, former classmate to the Smyrnios triplets - George, Gus and Manuel - said he could always tell them apart, although teachers sometimes had a hard time if they had never taught them. "As identical as the Smyrnios triplets were," said Finlayson, "each triplet had his own personality, and the same is true for the sets of twins now attending ACA."

Even Michele Tharpe, an ACA science teacher and a mother herself to third grade identical twins - the only identical set at ACA, has a hard time telling her girls, Emma and Kaitlyn, apart at times. In fact, when identifying them in their ACA twin photo, she could only recognize them based on what they were wearing and their smiles. "Even though they look identical," said Tharpe, "they have many differences, especially when it comes to their favorite foods."

Anna Lee and Clayton Trest, fraternal twins in Wanda Hughey's fifth

grade class are as different as night and day. "I hate spiders," said Anna Lee, while Clayton simply asked, "What's so bad about spiders?" In boy/girl fraternal twins, such comments are common.

These days, ACA places twins either in the same or in different classes, based on parental preference. "My twins like to be together," said Lisa Roland, ACA's secondary math teacher and mother of Alissa and Jarrett, fifth graders and the oldest twins at ACA. "They just have a very special bond."

First grade teacher Tonya Roberts, who teaches twins, Caleb and Elizabeth Walker, told a funny story about an incident that happened in class. "One day Caleb accidentally got Elizabeth's lunch," said Roberts. "When they discovered this, they just had to get it straight. Even though the lunches were the same, they wanted the one with their own name on it!"

While telling twins and triplets apart can be challenging for teachers at the beginning of a new school year, "Our goal, as a school, is to take siblings and twins and help mold them into the unique boys and girls God created them to be," said Finlayson.

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## IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR JEFFERSON COUNTY, FLORIDA

CITIFINANCIAL SERVICES, INC. SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO CITIFINANCIAL SERVICES, INC. 344, LLC SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO ASSOCIATES FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPANY OF FLORIDA, INC. SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO ASSOCIATES FINANCIAL SERVICES OF AMERICA, INC.,

Plaintiff, v. CASE NO.: 2010-CA-000292 VIVIAN THOMPSON; ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST THE HEREIN NAMED INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANT(S) WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS; JOHN DOE N/K/A KORY THOMPSON, Defendant(s).

**NOTICE OF SALE**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order of Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated August 14, 2013, entered in Civil Case No. 2010-CA-000292 of the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit in and for Jefferson County, Florida, wherein the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest bidder for cash on 3rd day of October 2013, at 11:00 a.m. at the North door of the Jefferson County Courthouse, 1 Courthouse Circle, Monticello, Florida 32344, relative to the following described property as set forth in the Final Judgment, to wit:

COMMENCE AT A CONCRETE MONUMENT MARKING THE INTERSECTION OF THE SOUTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF FIRST STREET WITH THE EAST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF RAILROAD STREET AND RUN NORTH 00 DEGREES 34 MINUTES 39 SECONDS EAST, ALONG SAID EAST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE, 781.77 FEET TO AN IRON ROD FOR A POINT OF BEGINNING, THENCE FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING CONTINUE NORTH 00 DEGREES 34 MINUTES 39 SECONDS EAST, ALONG SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE 82.17 FEET TO AN IRON PIPE MARKING THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 3 OF DILWORTH ADDITION TO THE TOWN OF MONTICELLO, THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 15 MINUTE 18 SECONDS EAST, ALONG THE NORTH BOUNDARY OF SAID LOT 3, 74.29 FEET TO AN IRON ROD, THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 33 MINUTES 30 SECONDS EAST 78.76 FEET TO AN IRON ROD, THENCE SOUTH 86 DEGREES 42 MINUTES 11 SECONDS WEST 76.0 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 0.14 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.

**ATTENTION: PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**  
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DATED AT MONTICELLO, FLORIDA THIS 14th DAY OF August, 2013  
KIRK REAMS  
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
JEFFERSON COUNTY, FLORIDA 8/23,30/13

## IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR JEFFERSON COUNTY, FLORIDA

**CIVIL ACTION**  
THE BANK OF NEW YORK, AS TRUSTEE, FOR THE BENEFIT OF CWABS, INC., ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-26,

Plaintiff, vs. CASE NO.: 33-2010-CA-000233 DIVISION:

SHANNA THOMAS A/K/A SHANNA A. THOMAS N/K/A SHANNA DATTILE N/K/A SHANNA DATTILE N/K/A SHANNA DATTILE, et al, Defendant(s).

## NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Mortgage Foreclosure dated August 14, 2013 and entered in Case No. 33-2010-CA-000233 of the Circuit Court of the SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT in and for JEFFERSON COUNTY, Florida wherein THE BANK OF NEW YORK, AS TRUSTEE, FOR THE BENEFIT OF CWABS, INC., ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-26 is the Plaintiff and SHANNA THOMAS A/K/A SHANNA A. THOMAS N/K/A SHANNA DATTILE; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF SHANNA THOMAS A/K/A SHANNA A. THOMAS N/K/A STEPHEN DATTILE; STEPHEN B. THOMAS; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF STEPHEN B. THOMAS N/K/A SHANNA THOMAS; MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS INCORPORATED AS NOMINEE FOR BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP; are the Defendants, The Clerk of the Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at NORTH DOOR OF THE COURTHOUSE LOBBY IN JEFFERSON COUNTY, MONTICELLO, FLORIDA at 11:00AM, on the 19th day of September, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:

SITUATE IN THE TOWN OF MONTICELLO, FLORIDA, AND PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS BEING ENCLOSED WITHIN THE FOLLOWING BOUNDARY LINES, TO-WIT:

BEGINNING AT A POINT ON THE WESTERN BORDER OF WAUKEENAH STREET OR ROAD, 75 FEET IN A SOUTHERLY DIRECTION FROM THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THAT CERTAIN LOT OR PARCEL OF LAND WHICH WAS CONVEYED UNTO J. T. MCCLELLAN AND J. HOWARD MCCLELLAN BY ETHEL T. LAMAR AS EXECUTRIX AND TRUSTEE UNDER THE TERMS OF THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM B. LAMAR, DECEASED, BY DEED DATED JUNE 1, 1938, AND OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, FLORIDA, IN DEED BOOK YY, PAGE 205 AND TO WHICH REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE, (SAID POINT OF BEGINNING BEING AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THAT CERTAIN LOT OR PARCEL OF LAND WHICH WAS CONVEYED BY J. T. MCCLELLAN AND LEILA MCCLELLAN, TO DORRIS MCCLELLAN BY DEED DATED SEPTEMBER 18, 1947 AND OF RECORD IN SAID CLERKS OFFICE IN DEED BOOK FFF, PAGE 507 AND TO WHICH REFERENCE IS HEREBY MADE) AND RUNNING THENCE SOUTHERLY AND ALONG THE WEST BORDER OF SAID WAUKEENAH STREET OR ROAD A DISTANCE OF 75 FEET, THENCE RUNNING WEST A DISTANCE OF 150 FEET, THENCE RUNNING NORTH 75 FEET, AND THENCE RUNNING EAST 150 FEET, MORE OR LESS, AND TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, THE LOT OF LAND HEREBY CONVEYED BEING IN THE WEST HALF OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 30, TOWNSHIP 2 NORTH, RANGE 5 EAST, AND BEING THE SAME LAND CONVEYED TO MYRTLE M SHUMAN, GRANTOR HEREIN, BY RUDOLPH RITAYIK, AND PAULINE RITAYIK, HUSBAND AND WIFE, BY DEED DATED JUNE 26, 1970 AND RECORDED IN ORB39, PAGE 686, PUBLIC RECORDS OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, FLORIDA AND TO WHICH REFERENCE IS HEREBY EXPRESSLY DIRECTED.

A/K/A 575 SOUTH WAUKEENAH STREET, MONTICELLO, FL 32344

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens must file a claim within sixty (60) days after the sale.

WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of this Court on August 14, 2013.  
Kirk B. Reams  
Clerk of the Circuit Court  
By: Sherry Sears  
Deputy Clerk 8/30, 9/6/13



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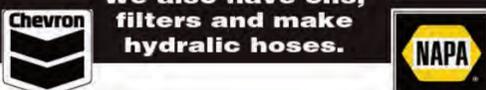
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How to use: the major and minor feeding times for each day are listed below. The major feeding times are the best for the sportsman and last about 2 hours, the minor feeding times can also have good success, but last only about 1 hour.

The Week of August 30, 2013 through September 6, 2013  
 Major Feed Times are marked by an asterisk (\*)

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| <b>Friday, August 30</b><br>2:30 AM<br>*8:40 AM<br>2:50 PM<br>*9:10 PM      | <b>Saturday, August 31</b><br>3:20 AM<br>*9:30 AM<br>3:30 PM<br>*9:45 PM | <b>Sunday, September 1</b><br>4:00 AM<br>*10:10 AM<br>4:20 PM<br>*10:30 PM   | <b>Monday, September 2</b><br>4:45 AM<br>*10:50 AM<br>5:00 PM<br>*11:20 PM |
| <b>Tuesday, September 3</b><br>5:30 AM<br>*11:30 PM<br>5:40 PM<br>*11:55 PM | <b>Wednesday, September 4</b><br>6:10 AM<br>*12:10 PM<br>6:20 PM         | <b>Thursday, September 5</b><br>*12:35 AM<br>6:50 PM<br>*12:55 PM<br>7:10 PM | <b>Friday, September 6</b><br>*1:10 AM<br>7:30 AM<br>*1:40 PM<br>7:50 PM   |

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## Join The Arbor Day Foundation In September And Receive 10 Free Live Oak Trees For Planting In Florida

Everyone from Florida who joins the Arbor Day Foundation in September will receive 10 free live oak trees as part of the Foundation's Trees for America program.

Through Trees for America, everyone is encouraged to plant trees for the benefit of the environment and quality-of-life. With one million members, the Arbor Day Foundation is the nation's largest nonprofit organization dedicated to planting trees.

"Those who plant live oak trees will enjoy shade and splendor for years and years to come," said John Rosenow, founder and chief executive of the Arbor Day Foundation.

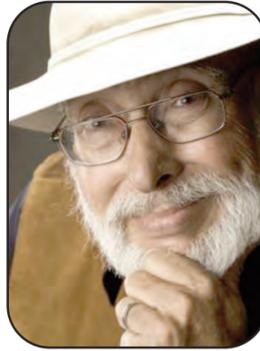


"These trees will also add to the proud heritage of Florida's 165 Tree City USA communities. For the last 36 years, Tree City USA has supported effective urban forest management across Florida, and planting these trees will enhance the state's tree-planting tradition." The trees will be

shipped postpaid at the right time for planting between October 15 and December 10. The 6- to 12-inch trees are guaranteed to grow or they will be replaced free of charge. Planting instructions are enclosed with each shipment of trees.

New members of the Arbor Day Foundation will also receive The Tree Book, which includes information about tree planting and care.

To receive 10 free live oak trees, send a \$10 membership contribution to Ten Live Oaks, Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Ave., Nebraska City, NE 68410, by September 30, 2013, or join online at arbor-day.org/september.



## Home Country with Slim Randles

September means pencils, books and teacher's dirty looks for the youngsters, but it also means state fair season. That's when the world's largest zucchini squash is at its prime, of course. The farm animals are all shed off and shiny and cute, their horns polished to diamond-like perfection by hard-working and hopeful kids.

The state fair is an annual pilgrimage of sorts, the fairgrounds another temporary home. We need to touch base with turkey legs, corn dogs and deep fried everything. We who sport gray in our hair, or no hair at all, can look with relief at that giant sling-

shot that shoots high school kids into a state fair orbit. It's a relief because no one expects us to do that. And when we were young enough to actually do that, thankfully, the diabolical state fair scientists hadn't invented the darn thing yet.

Cruising around, you get to see everyone at their best. Best fair-type clothing. Best behavior. Best smiles. If you scowl at any point during a visit to the state fair, you either aren't trying very hard or someone ran off with your date.

And we make those little secret promises to ourselves, too. You see, we'd love to win a ribbon for making a quilt, or raising

an animal, or taking a fabulous photograph or coming up with the best painting in the whole state. But not all of us can do those things. Maybe there should be some other categories for the rest of us, such as finding a parking spot close to the fairgrounds that doesn't cost \$5. Practical things. Or how about a ribbon for not missing a day's work all year? Or for being a nice guy and always letting other drivers change lanes in front of you.

Somehow, though, we have to be content with just knowing we did those things, so we can feel like a state fair blue-ribbon winner inside.

## Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission Offers Free Hunter Safety Course

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) is offering a free hunter safety Internet-completion course in Jefferson County.

The class is at the Beau Turner Youth Conservation Center, 9194 South Jefferson Highway, Monticello. Instruction is from 1 to 5 p.m. Aug. 31.

Students must complete the Internet course

before coming to class and bring a copy of the final report from the online portion of the course. The final report form does not have to be notarized.

An adult must accompany children under the age of 16 at all times. Students should bring a pencil and paper with them to take notes.

Anyone born on or after June 1, 1975, must pass an approved hunter

safety course and have a hunting license to hunt alone (unsupervised).

The FWC course satisfies hunter-safety training requirements for all states and Canadian provinces.

People interested in attending this course can register online and obtain information about future hunter safety classes at MyFWC.com/Hunter-Safety or by calling 850-413-0085 or 850-265-3676.

## FWC Asks Public To Report Sightings Of Rare Snakes

Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) biologists are asking the public to report sightings of three rare snake species: Florida pine snake, southern hognose snake and short-tailed snake. Citizens can help with research on these species by reporting sightings online.

"Reports from the public will aid us in determining where these snakes live and their status," said Kevin Enge, FWC research biologist.

All of these snake species have been petitioned for federal listing.

The three species are found in dry, upland habitats and spend most of their time underground. They are only occasionally seen moving along the surface or crossing a road.

For each report, the citizen is asked to provide the location where they saw the snake and the month and year the observation occurred. Researchers are also requesting citizens to submit photos of the snakes, when possible, to verify



Florida pine snake



southern hognose snake

identification. Reports can include live or dead animals. Although these species are nonvenomous, citizens should avoid handling or disturbing them. For more information about living with snakes and to submit sightings to the FWC, visit MyFWC.com/Conservation, select "How You Can Conserve," and choose "Snakes" under "Living with Wildlife."

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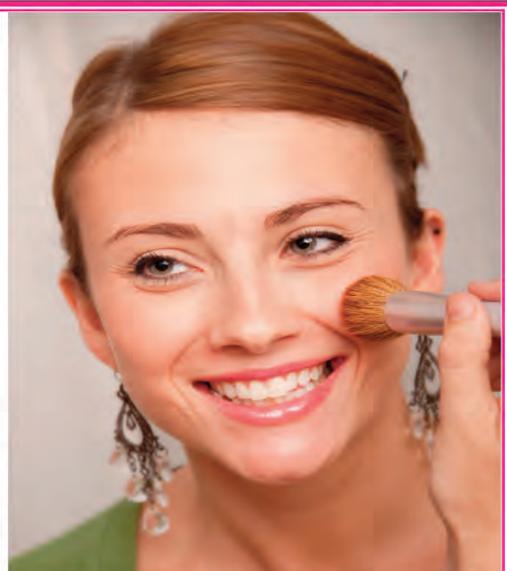
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