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CITY/CRIME

Policing tactics discussed

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Citizens and city officials had a go last week at coming up with ideas for how to improve local law-enforcement efforts and establish better communications between the police and citizenry.

The workshop was prompted by the comments of Stephen Webster, a city resident who addressed the Monticello City Council on Feb. 6

about what he called “a crime wave”, referring to the rash of burglaries, break-ins and armed robbery in and around town in recent months.

Webster began the workshop discussion on Tuesday evening, Feb. 20, with a reiteration of his earlier



Chief of Police Fred Mosley

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suggestions for improving the police department, plus offering some new ones. But basically it came down to pressing for more and better communications and information

sharing between the police

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• **“We need better communications”**

-Steven Webster

• **“if there is a crime spree, can't the officers be more forthcoming?”**

-Melanie Mays

• **Businesses are urged to install burglar alarms as a security measure.**

-Chief Fred Mosley

• **“The department currently conducts business checks nightly.”**

-Chief Fred Mosley

COUNTY

Literacy campaign revamps

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The Jefferson County Commission and Florida Institute of Education at the University of North Florida (FIE) recently renewed their agreement allowing the latter to continue providing specified services to the Jefferson County R.J. Bailar Public Library's literacy program.

The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), which the commission approved on Thursday evening, Feb. 15, extends the agreement for another year, so that the FIE can continue to provide counseling, support and evaluation services to the Jefferson County Literacy Alliance (JLA).

The cost of the annual services, per the agreement, is \$79,908, which is to be paid in three installments of \$40,000, \$19,954 and \$19,954, respectively.

The aim of the partnership, as described in a scope of work attachment to the MOU, is to assist the JLA continue to pursue its work of raising literacy readiness and reading achievement in the county.

As part of the contract, the FIE staff is to provide training, coaching and instructional support to the JLA, as well as providing technical assistance, distributing books and educational materials, and scheduling and conducting child assessments, among other activities.

The funding for the program comes from \$453,000 that the library received in 2016 from an anonymous donor. The donor's one stipulation was that the library develop a three-to-four year program and budget for the use of the funds.

The plan that the library staff and FIE ultimately developed to meet the donor's requirement and qualify for the funding included creating a new curriculum and classroom support for participating daycare centers, establishing a literacy-mentoring program, and sponsoring various community events to help children and their parents build the necessary literacy skills.

“Combined with the library’s central role in the community, and the academic expertise of FIE, the funds should have a measurable approach on early literacy and school readiness in Jefferson County,” Library Director Natalie Binder said at the

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More changes for Dogwood Street

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If a recent Monticello City Council workshop was any indication, more changes may soon be coming to the part of Dogwood Street just east of U.S. 19. Namely, the horizontal parking spaces on the south side of the street will be eliminated, for starters.

City officials discussed the idea at a workshop on Tuesday evening, Feb. 20. The council members, in fact, appeared ready to proceed with the decision, except that voting can't take place at workshops. As it is, the council asked City Clerk Emily Anderson to put the item on the agenda for the meeting of March 6.

The way the workshop discussion went, engineer Rob Davis, of Dewberry/Preble Rish Engineering Inc., presented the concept plan for the modification of the south side of East Dogwood Street.

The redoing of East Dogwood Street has been a goal of city officials since they completed the upgrade of West Dogwood Street. It was only a lack of money that caused them to divide the East Dogwood Street upgrade into two phases – the north and south sides.

Now that the north side upgrade has been completed, city officials are turning their eyes to the upgrade of the south side. It's also become evident that the combination

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COUNTY

Landscaping project saved

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Give the Monticello Kiwanis Club its due. The organization has stepped forward to rescue the U.S. 19 beautification project by volunteering to undertake the maintenance of the landscaping at the I-10 and U.S. 19 interchange.

Readers may recall that in December, engineer Rob Davis, of Dewberry/Preble Rish Engineering Inc., informed the Jefferson County Commission that the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), which funded the landscaping project, wasn't pleased with the county's lack of upkeep of the plants and trees.

It was moreover the FDOT's position, according to Davis, that the county had contractually committed to the maintenance and if the situation wasn't rectified, it could jeopardize the second grant in the pike.

“The FDOT said if you can't maintain the project they will take back the \$272,000,” Davis said, referring to the funding for phase two of the U.S. 19 landscaping project.

On Thursday evening, Feb. 15, Davis brought the commission the good news that the Kiwanis Club had volunteered to do the maintenance.

This represents a significant saving to the county, as Davis' preliminary assessment was that it would cost between \$26,000 and \$37,000 annually for the hiring of a landscaping contractor.

The Kiwanians, Davis said, would prune and fertilize the trees, provide a vinyl or plastic four-foot diameter of ground cover around each tree, spread pine bark mulch around them, and chem-mow around the trees by use of a water/chemical solution that stunts the grass's growth and reduces the need for mowing, among other things.

Davis said the club would perform the maintenance a minimum of twice a year, or as needed. The City of Monticello, meanwhile, would provide a certified individual to monitor traffic during the operations, as required by the FDOT, he said.

Davis told the *Jefferson Journal* last week that now the maintenance issue was resolved, the commission planned to take up the second phase of the project at its March 1 meeting.

Phase two of the project, which has al-

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EDUCATION

Lunar rocks coming to local library

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Lunar rocks are coming to the Jefferson County R.J. Bailar Public Library this summer. The rocks are coming in July, to be exact, compliments of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

Why are lunar rocks coming to Monticello? That's a question that only Courtney Nicolou can answer. That's because Nicolou, the youth service librarian, is a certified lunar rock handler, which is a requirement of NASA

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ECB Publishing Inc. Photo By Laz Aleman, Feb. 5, 2018
Courtney Nicolou, youth services librarian at the R.J. Bailar Public Library, holds up her NASA issued certificate qualifying her to handle lunar rocks.

At right: Moon rocks, or lunar rocks, are rocks that are found on the Earth's moon collected during human exploration of the Moon.



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“Almost” is the longest word in English with all the letters in alphabetical order.

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Deb's Notes

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Columnist

HAPPY
birthday
TO YOU

***Happy Birthday to JoAnn Arnold!

***County Extension is offering free tax preparation from IRS certified preparers through April, by appointment only, saving you money in your pocket. Get your refund back fast with free e-file and direct deposit. Appointments will be handled at the RJ Bailar Public Library. To schedule call (850) 342-0205. This VITA service is for low to moderate income households with simple returns.

***Career Source North Florida is hosting "2018 Connect" a business and leadership conference, on March 9 for just \$12, which include lunch and a keynote speaker. Learn from industry innovators and experts in the Human Resource and management fields. Space is limited. Call (850) 973-4291 for more information from CSNF Employer Services and to register go to bit.ly/csnf.

***The Monticello Volunteer Fire Department will hold its annual fundraiser on March 3 at All Star Storage on Highway 19 South, across from Tractor Supply. The Saturday Auction will begin at 9 a.m. with a Preview Auction. The Auction will begin at 10 a.m. There will be lots to see and purchase. All funds collected from this fundraising effort will be used to better the fire department. Payments and donations can only be accepted in the form of cash or checks. For more information, and to donate, contact Auction Coordinator Faye at (850) 274-2778, or any local volunteer firefighter. Auctioneer will be Zef Fessenden, also a volunteer with the Monticello Volunteer Fire Department.

***Jefferson Arts Gallery will host another spectacular exhibit, beginning with an opening reception on March 3 for "Exploring the Present Through the Past," paintings by Lawrence Tobe. Come join the artist, Art Gallery members, friends, and other guests for refreshments from 2 to 5 p.m. This exhibit will continue through Saturday, March 31.

***Veterans Memorial Railroad in Bristol will be open for free train rides on Saturday, March 10 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. In addition to the free train rides, VMRR has scheduled a special St. Patrick's Day Celebration on the same day "Wear Green And Ride The Steam," the Crown Jewel of the Railroad, a coal-fired steam engine, will also run on Saturday, March 10. Cost for the Steam Train is \$10 per person per ride (children two and under ride free). Rides are available 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. The non-steam train rides are free every second Saturday of the month from February to November. Donations are greatly appreciated. For more information call Gloria Keenan at (850) 643-6646 go to veteransmemorialrailroad.org.

Passing Parade

by Nelson Pryor, Guest Columnist
The Last Ounce of Courage

Everyday heroes! Yes, that describes the four chaplains and their sacrifice. It was on February 3, 1943, that the U.S.A.T. Dorchester, a military transport ship carrying 902 American servicemen and civilian workers, was torpedoed by a German submarine. The Dorchester was about 100 miles off the coast of Greenland. And it took about 18 minutes to sink below the frigid sea.

On board, panic had ensued. The sailors who were not killed in the explosion or trapped below rushed to the decks, where some of the lifeboats had frozen to the ship, survivors recounted. But four chaplains standing on the decks remained calm, distributing life jackets. When the supply ran out, the chaplains gave out their own, to the awaiting sailors.

The February 5, 2018 *New York Times*, p. 15 a, carried the story as: "Remembering Four Chaplains And Their Sacrifice."

Moved By the Memory

Stirred by witness accounts of how the men gave up their life jackets, the U. S. government in 1944 posthumously awarded each chaplain the Distinguished Service Cross and a Purple Heart. In 1948, a postage stamp was dedicated in their honor. In 1988, Feb. 3 was established by a unanimous Act of Congress as an annual "Four Chaplains Day."

Only 230 men survived the sinking of the Dorchester, making it one of the worst naval tragedies for Americans in World War II.

Inspired Leadership

Witnesses recalled seeing the four chaplains standing with arms interlocked, each praying in his own way, as the ship sunk. They were Catholic, Jewish and Protestant: Rabbi Alexander B. Goode, the Rev. George L. Fox, a Methodist Minister, the Rev. Clark Poling of the Reformed Church in America, and the Rev. John P. Washington, a Roman Catholic priest.

Onward Christian Soldiers

As the Andrew Sisters used to sing: "We've got a job to do," so have the



rest of us. Keeping the memory of the four chaplains alive is growing more difficult. Mrs. Christine Beady, the executive director of the Four Chaplains Foundation, in Philadelphia, explains the difficult situation. The number of World War II veterans is shrinking. According to U. S. Department of Veterans Affairs, 558,000 of the 16 million Americans who served in World War II were still alive in 2017.

They are dying at the rate of 362 per day, the department reports. Among the survivors of the Dorchester disaster that day, only one remains alive: Bill Bunkelman, who is in a nursing home in Michigan, Mrs. Beady said.

Awards for Valor

The Four Chaplains Memorial Foundation tries to raise awareness through scholarship competitions, awards for valor, school group visits to its chapel and by funding an emergency chaplain corps.

Faith of our Fathers

Each year on the first Sunday in February, St. Stephen's Roman Catholic Church, of Kearny, N. J., rings with the remembrance of a selfless act of valor now 75 years old.

Before volunteering for the war in 1942, Father Washington, one of those chaplains, had last served at the Kearny, N. J. church, and each year, a Mass is celebrated in honor of him and the other chaplains, attracting veterans from near and far.

Many are called, but few are chosen for the ultimate sacrifice. Greatness is among us. When called, let's measure up!



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Reduce your anxiety

Anxiety, one of the things we all have experienced but is not always discussed. Anxiety can be caused by any number of things. There are a variety of coping mechanisms that can help get you through it. While not every strategy will work for you, pick what works the best.

1). Exercise. No matter what type of exercise you prefer, it will help relieve your anxiety symptoms. Exercising releases your natural 'feel-good' endorphins. If you only exercise once to help relieve anxiety, your anxiety will be reduced short term. As you continue to exercise you naturally will gain more confidence and have now learned to cope in a healthy way. Try to get in the habit of exercising.

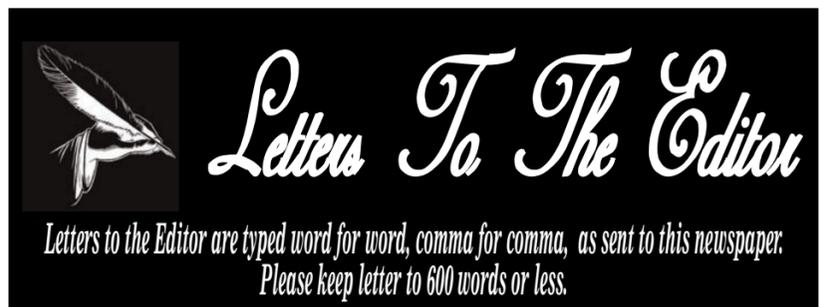
2). Herbal. There are a variety of herbs that you can take to help reduce your anxiety. L-theanine, ashwaganda, lemon balm, and chamomile are just few. These are particularly good to have around the house if you only get anxiety occasionally. Once you feel you are getting anxiety, or are in a stressful situation, these will be easily accessible to you. Please do your research and talk to your doctor before starting any herbal remedies.

3). Reduce stimulants.

Stimulants, such as caffeine and nicotine, increase your anxiety. The stimulants excite your nervous system which could cause you to have exacerbated anxiety. If you drink coffee on a regular basis, one cup of coffee will not make your anxiety worse. While reducing stimulants will not cure your anxiety, it will only help reduce the likelihood of getting anxiety.

4). Relaxation. This one is very important! If you are unable to sleep, then your body is not able to repair itself properly. If your body can not repair itself, this stress and anxiety can build up, eventually even causing an anxiety disorder and hormonal changes. Try to get 7-9 hours of sleep. Another way to relax is through meditation. If these are all still not possible for you, try to spend 5-10 minutes doing something that you thoroughly enjoy. This may be through dancing, journaling, or taking a bath.

Anxiety does not have to ruin your day to day living. While these are not all of the coping strategies, these can help get you started. Before you start any new exercise or herbal routine, please consult to your doctor.



A (Not for Children) Children's Story

Submitted by Sheila T. Slik

A small child was playing with his wooden blocks in his room. He built a big beautiful bridge. No one knows why, but he found something about his bridge that displeased him. So he gave it a mighty kick and blocks flew all over the room. There were blocks on the bed, blocks in a drawer which was open, and blocks behind the bed. Actually, he enjoyed watching the blocks fly around the room. To him, it indicated that blowing up the bridge was as much fun as it had been to build the bridge. But there was just not that much to do in his room, so he closed his door and went out to play with his friends. Then he ate lunch and his mother told him to go take a nap.

Later, his mother needed to go shopping, so she called for a babysitter. The babysitter was told that he was taking a nap, so all she needed to do was just "be there". She

did not pick up the blocks in his room (She was a babysitter, not a housekeeper.)

When his parents came home, his mother told his father that the child had built a wonderful bridge out of his blocks. (She did not know that the bridge had been destroyed.) Just as the child woke up from his nap, his father came in to give him a hug and to see the bridge. Of course, he did not see the bridge. What he did see was blocks scattered all over the room. When he asked the child why there were blocks all over the room, even on the bed, the child said, "Oh, mother will pick them up. She always does."

"No son," the father responded, "Your mother did not scatter the blocks, you did. So, you must be the one to pick them up and you must do that before you come out of your room."

We do not know what happened after that, maybe you can tell us.

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CRIME

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 department and citizens.

"We need better communications," Webster said. "We need to get on the same page and recognize who the common enemy is; it's the criminals."

Webster said he had reached out to the Chamber of Commerce to do a workshop on how businesses could better protect themselves and the chamber had expressed a willingness to do it in conjunction with the chief.

"The chamber working with the police chief is a huge step," Webster said.

He talked of establishing directory information trees, reinvigorating patrol checks of businesses, improving the police department's website to include more timely information, releasing weekly crime reports and establishing better procedures for stolen property recovery.

"Melanie had to go herself to Georgia to get back some of her stuff," Webster said, referring to business owner Melanie Mays, whose two shops were broken into during the recent rash of burglaries. "There's got to be a better way to get stuff back."

Mays, in her turn, expressed frustration that she had had to drive to Albany, GA, to retrieve some of her stolen property. She also had been told by the police department that all her items had been recovered and that wasn't true, she said. Her iPad was still missing, as were some of the other instruments that had been stolen, she said.

"The guy's in prison, why can't we talk to him and ask where did you put the stuff?" Mays asked.

But what really bothered her, she said, was the lack of information from the police department during the rash of crimes.

There had been break-ins at several other places around town and no one had known about it, she said. In fact, until she had posted about her own shop burglaries in her FaceBook page, she hadn't known that nearby businesses

had also been burglarized, she said.

"The problem is that the information wasn't getting out," she said. "That's what really bothered me. What I'm asking is, if there is a crime spree, can't the officers be more forthcoming. Facebook seems to work pretty well. Maybe we should use Facebook to warn people."

Franklin Brooks, owner of the North Side Laundromat, said his business also had been broken into last year and even though he had provided the police with photos of the culprit from the business's camera system, nothing had come of it.

"I must say I was disappointed, 'cause I went to the police station a number of times and there was even a suspect and I've heard no more," Brooks said. "I had more than \$2,000 worth of damage and I haven't seen any results. I was in law enforcement. I don't expect you to get all the criminals, but we can do a better job."

Merry Anne Frisby, wife of former Police Chief David Frisby, defended the police department. She too had been victimized, Frisby said, but she also recognized the good work the police department did, such as when officers helped her find her missing three-year-old granddaughter.

Frisby said her bias might be showing, but she believed that Monticello had a fine police department.

"I don't want the distant, militarized police accused of rough tactics," Frisby said. "I want the peace officer. I think there is a danger there and you have to be careful they don't become jackboots."

For the second times in as many weeks, Chief Fred Mosley addressed the issue at length. Mosley said that if his police department had offended anyone, he apologized, but he and his people worked hard to do a good job.

He said that nights when his one on-duty officer had to transport a Baker Act individual to Tallahassee, he himself came out and patrolled in the interim to keep the city covered until the officer returned. Many times, he said, he was out

at 3 a.m. and returned home only long enough to prepare to go back out for his regular day.

He told Mays her iPad was in evidence and the case was still being worked.

He urged businesses to install burglar alarms as a security measure, as it would help his department.

"Once the alarm goes off, we can pop," Mosley said. "We drop everything else and go there."

As far as information sharing, he did what he could, the chief said.

"But I don't want to put too much information out there," he said.

The department, he said, currently conducted business checks nightly. And even if an establishment didn't find on a note on its door, it didn't mean that the place hadn't been checked, he said.

"I'm not only your chief, I'm your patrol officer and I'm your investigator when there are horrific crimes," Mosley said.

People needed to remember was what had brought them to Monticello in the first place and that it was that small town ambiance and flavor that he was trying to maintain, he said. Crimes were going to occur, the chief said, but that was part of living. Alarms would help the situation, he said. And if anyone had a problem, know that his door was always open, he said.

"If you have a problem come talk to me," Mosley said. "That's why I'm there. And if you see something that doesn't look right, call it in."

In the end, the chief promised to share more information, especially if a crime spree was evident. He said he would give an alert specific to the area that was seemingly being targeted. City Clerk Emily Anderson said she also would try to keep the city webpage updated, despite time and resource constraints. And Gretchen Avera volunteered to send out e-mail blast alerts to downtown businesses and others if criminal activity was evident or something else was amiss.

And that was pretty much how things were left.

LITERACY

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 program's launch.

The partnership, in brief, aims to achieve three overarching goals during its three-year lifetime. The first is to make early literacy and reading core values. The second is to raise early literacy readiness and reading achievement. And the third is to raise families' awareness of the

importance of early literacy as the foundation for future learning, as well as helping parents support their children's early literacy growth.

To achieve these goals, the partnership is using a three-pronged approach. Namely, it seeks to strengthen the early literacy experiences of children enrolled in the childcare centers; provide additional literacy experience for young children using oral and written language mentors; and engage parents' in their children's literacy growth at home.

DOGWOOD

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 angling parking on the north side and horizontal parking on the south side leaves little room for the passage of vehicles. City officials worry that the arrangement will sooner or later result in a mishap.

Landscape architect Winston Lee suggested at a recent City Council meeting that the problem arose from a design error, an assertion that Davis disputed. Whatever the cause, however, city officials have decided to correct the problem with the upgrade of the south side of the street.

At the workshop, Davis distributed copies of the south side's concept plan, dating from June 2016, when it was drawn.

He talked of reducing the width of the south side sidewalk by a couple of feet to allow for a larger drive aisle. He also talked of putting a seven-foot bump-out on the west end of the sidewalk and planting trees and installing benches, among other improvements. The changes also entailed removal of one of the parallel parking spaces.

Davis estimated the cost of the project would be about \$250,000, near the cost of the north side improvements.

It was City Manager Steve Wingate who suggested eliminating the parking entirely on the south side.

"Until we have the money, let's just do away with the parking," Wingate said. "Why have the parallel parking? You've got a parking lot a half a block away. That street is

not made for heavy trucks to park there. You may get some people hollering. But if you paved the road gold, there would be people who would holler because you didn't pave it silver."

He suggested that the city simply do away with the parking, put up signs to that effect, and ticket motorists who ignored the signage.

"Give them a warning the first time and ticket them the second time," Wingate said. "People will get used to parking elsewhere. A lot of people are already doing it."

The council briefly discussed other possible options for the south side improvements and then asked the clerk to put the removal of the parallel parking spaces on the agenda for the March 6 meeting.

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 ready been designed, focuses on the landscaping of the railroad overpass near Drifton and an area just south of the outskirts of Monticello.

As the plan describes it, the landscaping at the Drifton overpass will consist of a variety of tree types that will be amassed to create a wall of greenery that is interspersed with varying hues of color from sundry blooming plants.

As for the landscaping just outside the city, it will be more subtle and muted in both variety and colors, in keeping with the constraints dictating the placement of trees in the area.

The overall effect, however, is supposed to be significant, giving Monticello a unique and eye-catching entranceway.

The projected cost of the project is \$272,000, or at least that's how much it's been funded. The one at the interchange, however, started at \$262,000 and ended up costing \$320,000 when all was said and done.

ROCKS

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 before it will allow the lunar rocks to go anywhere.

We're talking precious rocks, collected from the moon's surface during NASA's several missions there.

Indeed, between 1969 and 1972, according to the space agency, six Apollo missions brought back 842 pounds of lunar rocks, core samples, pebbles, and sand and dust from six different sites on the lunar landscape. Kept in the Lunar Sample Building at the Johnson Space Center in Houston, TX, the agency prepares pristine lunar samples and ships these annually to scientists and educators around the country. The agency, in fact, distributes nearly 400 samples annually for research and teaching projects.

Nicolou became certified to handle the lunar rocks by taking a one-day class at the NASA Regional Educator Resource Center in Warner Robins, GA. The class, which had nearly a dozen participants, was taught by Dr. Lester Morales, one of 12 such instructors across the country. Dr. Morales is based at Cape Canaveral, FL.

"You have to be a certified educator and

get the training and be certified to handle lunar rocks," Nicolou says. "They taught us how to handle both lunar rocks and meteorites, which are very valuable. They also impressed on us that we would have to have security for the viewings."

Security is the reason why the rocks will be kept at the bank here when they are not being shown. Each day, a Monticello Police Department officer will escort Nicolou to the bank, where she will pick up the rocks, and accompany her back to the library for the rocks' display.

Folks will have to sign up to see and touch the rocks, Nicolou says. But mind, the rocks are embedded in clear, protective acrylic discs that are about 10-by-10 inches in size and two inches thick. Each disc contain several samples of lunar rocks and meteorites.

"You will only be able to touch them through the acrylic," Nicolou explains.

She notes that the lunar rocks will be here July 16-30. The library, meanwhile, will hold a reception from 12 to 1 p.m. Wednesday, July 18, to celebrate the occasion.

"People will be able to hold them," Nicolou says. "The kids will be able to

interact with the rocks and touch them."

The theme of the event, "Libraries Rock", of course.

Besides serving for educational purposes, NASA reports that the rocks and soil samples taken from the moon yield useful information about the moon's early history and that of the earth and inner solar system. The agency says that recent computer models suggest that the moon could have been formed "from the debris resulting from the Earth being struck a glancing blow by a planetary body about the size of Mars."

The agency says the chemical composition of the moon, derived from studies of lunar rocks, is compatible with this theory of the origin of the moon. NASA has determined that a crust formed on the moon 4.4 billion years ago. This crust formation, the intense meteorite bombardment occurring after, and subsequent lava outpourings are recorded in the rocks. And too, radiation spewed out by the Sun since the formation of the moon's crust was trapped in the lunar soil as a permanent record of solar activity throughout this time.

Think about this when you hold the lunar rocks, even if it's through an acrylic disc.

When the Red, Red Hatters come rock, rock, rockin' along

Lynette Veit, *ECB Publishing, Inc.*



You'll know spring is here. No matter what the calendar says, the Scarlett O'Hatters will be rolling out the red carpet for spring on Saturday, March 10, at 11:30 a.m. at Monticello's Rancho Grande restaurant. The dress-up theme is "Welcome, Spring!" Imagine the hats they'll be wearing.

Come and enjoy the fun and games with some very special fun-loving ladies. For more information, contact the Queen Mum, Jaunita Faircloth, at (850) 509-6152.

Woman's Club Spaghetti Dinner coming up March 15

Lynette Veit, *ECB Publishing, Inc.*

It's time again for the Woman's Club Annual Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser, and if you've enjoyed one of their spaghetti dinners in years past, you know you're in for a treat.

Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$6 for children under 12; to get yours, just contact Jaunita Faircloth at (850) 509-6152, then drop by the Woman's



Club at 975 East Pearl Street on Thursday, March 15, between 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. You can dine in with

friends or family and enjoy the vintage clubhouse ambience, or get your dinner to go and enjoy it at home.

Come on out and support the Woman's Club and the work they do in the community while you enjoy a tasty meal from some of the best cooks in town!

Monticello Homestead Exchange March 10

Debbie Snapp, *ECB Publishing, Inc.*

Have you heard about the Monticello Homestead Exchange?

Well, the event will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on March 10 at the Monticello Tractor Supply, 1575 South Jefferson Street. The event will then continue every second Saturday of every other month thereafter.



Vendors will have for sale farm related items like fresh eggs, chickens, rabbits and other farm animals. There will be homemade goods like baked bread, jams and jellies, plants and other such things. There will be NO yard sale items.

Vendors are encouraged to come and setup free of charge. Shop, buy, swap, visit with friends and neighbors and just have a good time. There will be a raffle!



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Florida Saves Week: Build your savings a little at a time

It's tax time, and many of us will be seeing refunds checks soon—time to celebrate!

Now what are you going to do with all that extra cash?

Maybe you have some bills to take care of, and it's certainly a good idea to get those off your plate. But after that, let's say you have some money left over. What then?

Think about putting those extra dollars in a savings account. Or, if you don't have a savings account, open one. Even if it's just \$100, that first deposit could be the start of a lifelong savings habit.

Which gets us to another question: Why is it important to save?

Let me answer with another question: If you had to cover a \$1,000 unexpected expense today, could you do it?

These little emergencies come up all the time. Your car needs repairs. You get sick and miss work. You have to suddenly travel out of state. These challenges are just part of life, but you can be prepared to meet them.

That \$100 you tuck away is not much now, but consider this: if you saved \$100 each month for a year, you'd have \$1,200

in your bank account. That's a good financial cushion that can keep you afloat when the unexpected happens.

Need a little encouragement to stick to the savings habit? The Florida Saves Pledge (floridasaves.org) is a great tool for setting financial goals. With this pledge, you're making a commitment to work toward some kind of savings objective, such as an emergency fund, a down payment on a house or even retirement.

As a family and consumer sciences agent in Jefferson County, part of my job is to help our community members learn to take charge of their money and be financially healthy.

Many times we think of our health as only our bodies or our physical health, but there are many aspects to health. Our mental health and social health are a couple of others. Financial health is also important.

The CFPB (Consumer Financial Protection Bureau) defines financial well-being as a state of being where a person can fully meet current and ongoing financial obligations, can feel secure in their financial future and they are able to make choices that allow them to enjoy life.

So what does good financial health look like? Take Sally Saver for example.

She has three months of expenses in a savings account in case an emergency comes up. She pays her bills on time every month and pays off her credit card in full each month.

She has written down several financial goals. She is saving to buy Christmas presents this year, for a camping vacation next year, and saving for a down payment on a house she hopes to buy in the next five years.

Sally has a hard time remembering to make deposits into her savings account, so she has set up automatic monthly transfers from checking to savings to make sure she saves for her goals.

She also takes advantage of her employer's retirement plan so she is saving for retirement.

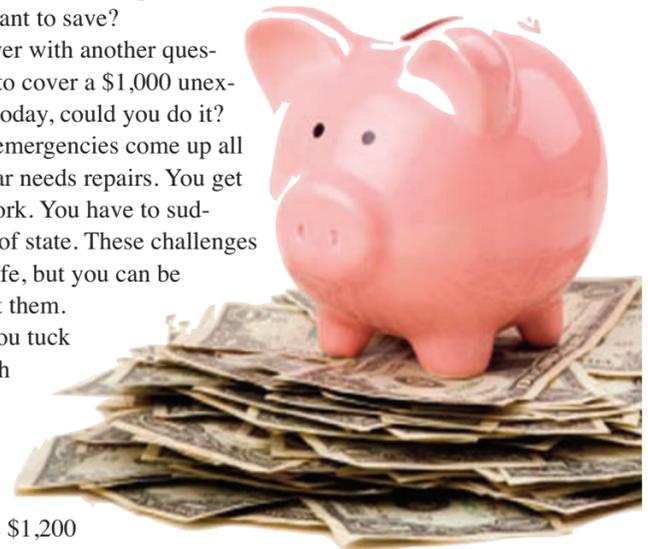
Sally makes enough money that she's able to have fun with friends. She budgets for eating out a few times a month and is enrolled in a painting class.

Sally Saver tracks her spending and compares it to her spending plan. She used to write everything on paper, but she recently started using an app on her phone that she really likes.

Obviously, Sally Saver is not a real person, but her habits are. This week I'd like to challenge you to think about what kind of action you could take to become more financially healthy.

For more information on money management, contact the UF IFAS Jefferson County Extension Office and like us on Facebook to see the Florida Saves Week tips.

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March 2

Christ Episcopal Church Youth Group will hold a Soup Dinner from 4 to 8 p.m. on Friday in the Church Parrish Hall, 425 North Cherry Street. Come out and support their efforts and enjoy a choice of homemade beef stew, tomato brique, and chicken with rice soup; along with fresh bread baked in an outside brick oven. There will also be a variety of desserts to choice from. Dine in or take out for a donation of \$8.

March 3

Springfield AME Church will hold its annual Prayer Breakfast Program at 9 a.m. on Saturday. Evangelist Pam Thompson, with Trinity House of Praise Church in Perry, will be speaker. Church Pastor, Rev. Gloria Cox and her congregation invite the community to come join in this time of praise, worship, and good food. Rev. Lucille Graham, chairperson.

March 3

C.H. Henry Chapter #20, Order of Eastern Star, PHA, will hold a Fish Fry from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, at the *Monticello News* parking lot. Dinner will include fried mullet or tilapia for an \$8 donation, fish sandwich for a \$6 donation, or shrimp and fries for a \$10 donation. Dinners will include a whole mullet, potato salad or coleslaw, baked beans and bread. Purchase will include a drink. Thanking the community in advance for its support! Contact Althera Johnson at (850) 933-2012 for more information.

March 4

Union Branch Missionary Baptist Church family invites area pastors and church congregations to come worship with them in the Name of the Lord as they celebrate the 120th Anniversary of their church on Sunday at 11 a.m. Bishop Anthony Webster will be speaker and Memorial Male Chorus

will be in charge of the music. For more information contact Dea. Arthur Lynn at (850) 878-9585. Rev. Terry Lee Presley Sr., pastor.

March 4

First Baptist Church of Lloyd will offer a series of programs on Sundays at 6 p.m. dealing with the topics of marriage and relationships, with the purpose of providing guidance relating to relationships in marriage, the workplace, school, friendships, parenting, and grand-parenting. The programs will be held in the Sanctuary, led by Pastor Jered Day, and are open to all. For more information contact the Church Office at (850) 997-5309 or e-mail to fbcll1@embarqmail.com.

March 5

AA meeting at 8 p.m. on Monday at Christ Episcopal Church annex, 425 North Cherry Street. For information call (850) 251-0278. Father Jim May, church pastor.

March 7

First Presbyterian Church hosts EaglesWings, an outreach ministry serving the community, on the first and third Wednesday from 9 to 11 a.m. Volunteers are always needed to distribute food items and to donate non-perishable food items. Contact Coordinator JoAnne Arnold at (850) 997-2252, or email eagleswingmonticello@yahoo.com. Rev. R.C. Griffin III, church pastor.

March 7

Community Lenten Caravan, raising funds to assist the Clergy Family Ministry and District Benevolent Fund, will travel to Ford Chapel AME Church, 7671 West Lake Road, with Bishop Ralph Wilson and his congregation hosting the service. On March 13-15 the Mid-Year Convocation will be held. The services will be centered around prayer and fasting as congregations take a journey to Resurrection Sunday.



Obituaries

Bryan Eugene Hopson

Bryan Eugene Hopson, age 57, of St. Marks, Florida passed away Sunday, Feb. 25, 2018 in Tallahassee, Florida. Bryan was born on September 19, 1960 in Oakland, California to the late Richard Eugene Hopson and Barbara Harris Hopson. He was self-employed and worked as an air conditioning specialist. Bryan was a Florida State University fan, enjoyed fishing and watching NASCAR, he loved posting ads online for all the different things he had for sale.

He is survived by his wife Laura 'Diane' Hopson of St. Marks; his 3 sons, Christopher Michael Bryan Glaze (Amanda) of Jacksonville, FL, Richard Eugene Hopson (Brenda) of Daytona, FL, Raymond Dennis Grissett (Lindsey) of Eastaboga, AL; his 2 daughters, Brandie Aleene Hopson Register (Michael) and Jodie Sellars (Kevin) both of Tallahassee, FL; his brother, Richard Perry Hopson (Tricia) of Concord, NC; his 10 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren along with a host of nieces and nephews; Bryan was preceded in death by his parents.

A Funeral Service will be held at 10 a.m. on Friday, March 2, 2018 at the Beggs Funeral Home Chapel, 485 E. Dogwood St. in Monticello, FL and a visitation will be held from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Thursday March 1, 2018 at the Beggs Funeral Home in Monticello. An interment will follow the funeral service at Bethel Cemetery.

Ernest Sneed

Ernest Sneed, 97, unexpectedly passed on Wednesday, February 21, 2018. Services will be 11 a.m. Saturday, March 3, at Philadelphia M.B. Church, Monticello, with burial in Sneed Cemetery. Visitation is 3-7 p.m. Friday at Tillman Funeral Home, (850) 997-5553.



Mr. Sneed was a World War II U.S. Marines combat veteran and a retiree with the Jefferson County Road Department. He was the recipient of the Congressional Medal of Honor from President Barack Obama. Survivors include his wife, Alma Miles Sneed; sons, Henry Sneed, Jessie Jr. and Ernest Miles, Julius, Joshua and Elmer Mosley; daughters, Elsie (Reggie) Dunmore, Dessie Jones, Calpunia (Allen) McCallister, Patricia Sneed, Gracie Watts, Juanita Miles Hamilton, Agnes Douglas, Antionette Mitchell, Joella (Matthew) McKinney and Madie Mosley; 22 grandchildren; 30 great-grandchildren; and several other relatives and friends.

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Memorial Barrel Race in honor of David Hobbs

Ashley Hunter, *ECB Publishing, Inc.*

The Jefferson County Sheriff's Office is partnering with Evil Twin Farms to honor a late sheriff and beloved member of the community through the first ever Sheriff David Hobbs Barrel Race, which will be held on Saturday, April 7.

All proceeds from the event will be donated to the Jefferson Senior Citizens Center; an organization near and dear to Sheriff Hobbs' heart.

The rodeo will take place on Saturday, April 7 and will be held at Evil Twin Farms, located at 8535 S. Jefferson Road (Hwy 19 South) in Lamont.

Exhibitions will start at 10 a.m. (which will require a \$3 per rider fee), and the race will commence at 1 p.m. There will be no fee for those who want

to come and watch the race.

Announcing the race will be four time National Barrel Horse Association World Championship announcer, Jerry Byrd. With more than 30 years of experience in the entertainment industry, 17 of those years being a rodeo announcer, Byrd will be an outstanding addition to this event.

Coupled with the race, there will be raffles and concessions being held on the grounds.

Grounds fee will be \$5 per rider, with entry fees for racing being \$35 for the Open 4D Race (\$5,000 added) and \$25 for the Youth 4D Race (\$500 added). Payments can be made in cash or check.

For questions or to obtain further information, contact event organizers Sherri Dean at (850) 524-4442 or Cricket Edwards at (850) 544-2971.

Senior Center fish fry number three coming up

Lynette Veit, *ECB Publishing, Inc.*

Celebrating the season of Lent and helping the Senior Center continues this Friday, March 2, at the Center, 1155 N. Jefferson Street, across from FRED's, with the third fish fry of Lent.

From 11:30 until 1 p.m., the First Baptist Church of Monticello will take the helm and fry up loads of delicious fish dinners with all the trimmings...hush puppies, baked beans and cole slaw.

If you've enjoyed fish dinners here before, you know where to go. If this will be your first time, it's the large parking lot behind the building, where you can pick up your order to go, or eat in the large, beautiful dining hall. Tickets are \$10.

Come on out, bring some friends, enjoy some delicious fish, and help support our Senior Center!



Remaining fish fries:

Friday, March 9, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. (the Masons and Elizabeth Baptist Church)

Friday, March 16 is open – would your church or group like to be a sponsor?

Friday, March 23, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. (Waukeenah United Methodist Church)

Celebrate the season of Lent and help the Senior Center while enjoying a good fish lunch!

Second fish fry successful: Thanks to Capital Heights Baptist Church

Lynette Veit, *ECB Publishing, Inc.*

Capital Height Baptist Church of Tallahassee sponsored the second Jefferson Senior Citizens Center fish fry of Lent, the only one to be held on a Saturday. The February 24 event drew a crowd of

hungry folks eager to support the Center while they enjoyed some good fried fish.

Special thanks go out to Bob and Linda Veal, Sonny Grooms, Marilee and Bill Smith, Bill and Melissa Sanders, Bill Furrow and Malcolm McFarlin.



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At the "customer service" table (left to right), Malcolm McFarlin, Linda Veal, Melissa Sanders and Marilee Smith are busy serving up the first dinners to first arrivals. At the far right, Dewell Norris presents her ticket for her fish dinner. In the middle of the photo, in the background, Sonny Grooms, Bill Smith and Bob Veal run the fish fryers.



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A group of friends gather together to enjoy fried fish in the Center's dining room. Starting at the left and going clockwise around the table are Hilda Smith, Merle Love, Helen Love, Forest Love, Central Church of Christ Minister Steven Cordle, Debbie Cordle and Amelia Cordle.



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In the Senior Center dining room, Gladys Roann Watson and Kent Watson enjoy their lunch.

Veterans Among Us

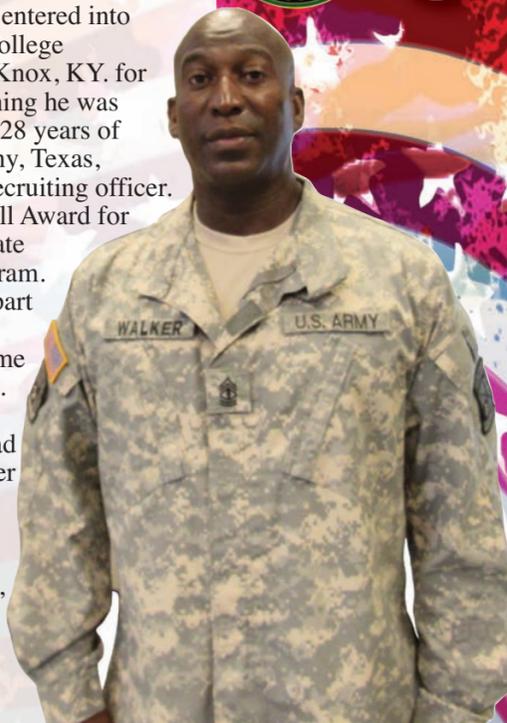
Army Veteran 1SG Terry Walker

United States Army Veteran 1SG Terry Walker entered into military service just two years into his basketball college scholarship career, in 1980. He was sent off to Ft. Knox, KY. for Basic Training, then for Advanced Individual Training he was stationed at Ft. Benjamin Harrison, IN. During his 28 years of committed service he was also stationed in Germany, Texas, Georgia, Tennessee, and Florida, where he was a recruiting officer.

1SG Walker is a recipient of the Glen E. Morrell Award for Recruiting Excellence. This medallion is the ultimate award under the Recruiting Incentive Awards Program. It includes a medallion that the recipient wears as part of their Army uniform.

After service with the Army he worked for a time during Hurricane Katrina with FEMA in Louisiana. He came to Jefferson County to work with the students here, restarting the ROTC Program. He had just 10 students his first year, now he's got well over 80 and the program continues to grow! "Lead by example," he says. "I encourage the kids to be better, to do better." 1SG Walker leads by example every day, encouraging his students to do the same, to serve their country proudly by entering into military service or the National Guard, and by continuing their education.

Thank You, your service made a difference!



Family fun to be had at Country Market and Craft Fair

Ashley Hunter
ECB Publishing, Inc.

Over 50 local vendors, children's face painting, egg hunts and live music (plus much more!) will be the fare during the 3rd Annual Country Market and Craft Fair on Saturday, March 31.

Starting at 10 a.m. and lasting until 3 p.m., the event will be held at Barrington Field, located at 252 Gamble Rd., in Monticello, FL.

For kids, there will be a bounce house, sand art, face painting, an appearance by the Easter Bunny and Easter egg hunts (bring your own basket). The egg hunts will be separated by age, with children aged 0-5 starting at 1 p.m. and ages 6-10 hunting for eggs at 2 p.m.

For adults, there will be plenty of local vendors, live music and food. On-site parking and admission are both free for this event.

The event is partnering with Wee Care, a local non-profit that aims to reach out to and help new mothers and caretakers become supplied with everything required for their new parenting journey.

Local businesses and artisans interested in opening a vendor booth for this event are invited to contact the event organizer at CountryM_CFair@yahoo.com. To learn more about the event, you can visit the Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/CountryMarketCraftFair>.

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80 YEARS ago
1938

March 2, 1938

• Dr. Clifford J. Gay, of Miami, arrived in Monticello this week and opened an office over Simmons Drug Store.

70 YEARS ago
1948

March 2, 1948

• Frances M. Sherman this week announces the opening of his jewelry shop on Jefferson Street, which he has named the Tik-tok Shop.

60 YEARS ago
1958

February 23, 1958

• Monticello and surrounding areas will have a full dial telephone system by April 6, according to an announcement today by Nelson A. Mahone, district manager of the Southeastern Telephone Company.

March 2, 1958

• Jefferson County 4-H boys made an outstanding record in this week's statewide 4-H Dairy Cattle Show, held in Orlando on February 24, bringing home 1st place, 2nd place, 3rd place, and two Ribbon awards. Boys winning prizes were Charles Walker of Wacissa, Claude Groom, Jr. of Waukeenah, Ikie Lewis of Aucilla, John Reed of Monticello, and John Brock of Bethel.

50 YEARS ago
1968

February 23, 1968

• M.E. Twedell, general manager of the Florida State Fair, awarded Donna Weingarden \$150 and the Grand Champion prize for the Florida Table Beef Contest.

• Early Sunday afternoon the members of the Jefferson County High School band will leave Monticello to participate Monday and Tuesday in the parades during the Mardi Gras at Mobile, AL.

40 YEARS ago
1978

March 2, 1978

• More than 2,500 pounds of trash and litter were picked up from the streets of Monticello on Pitch In Day last Saturday.

30 YEARS ago
1988

February 17, 1988

• Sally Ride has urged NASA to avoid a spectacular "race to Mars", and to concentrate instead on establishing an outpost on the moon as part of "an orderly expansion outward from Earth."

• Albert Fuller, who has been 4-H Coordinator here for 10 years will be leaving Jefferson County the end of March to take on a new position as County Extension Director of Levy County.

• Howard and Debbie Kinsey of Monticello are proud to announce the arrival of a daughter, Chelsea Lynn, on February 9, 1988.

March 2, 1988

• Army Sergeant Lee R. Morris, graduate of Jefferson County High School class of 1983, was named Battalion Non-Commissioned Officer of the Quarter on February 18 by his commander at Fort Bliss, Texas.

• Combined efforts of the library staff, three Howard Middle School volunteers, Gelling's Flower Shop, and Winn-Dixie came together February 24 to promote the "Say 'NO' To Drugs" campaign for children ages 2-12.

March 4, 1988

• Annie Byrd, a Junior at Jefferson County High School, participated in the All-State Honors Band in Tampa, Florida, at the Music Educators Association State Convention in January.

20 YEARS ago
1998

February 18, 1998

• Monticello Opera House holds fundraiser kick-off on Tuesday – County residents can expect phone calls and visits from the team leaders in the very near future, asking them to "Help the House!"

February 20, 1998

• Air Force Airman Melissa A. Lush graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

• The Annual County Spelling Bee was held at Aucilla Christian Academy on Tuesday evening, with Sarah Fields taking first place.

March 4, 1998

• Local Artist Ray Anderson displays work at NFCC.

• Suzanne Davis recently won third place in a VFW essay contest, "Voice of Democracy."

10 YEARS ago
2008

February 15, 2008

• Radio Live Theatre takes place at the Opera House Friday and Saturday. The theatre is turned into a 1940's radio studio, with attendees as the live studio audience.

• Camellia Garden Circle meets at 2 p.m. on the third Sunday of the month for a meeting and program at the home of Bobbie Golden.

• During a National Barrel Horse Association sanctioned show on February 2 hosted by Tall Oaks of Monticello, Susan Morgan of Monticello riding Comic won first place in the Adult Division with a time of 15.750 seconds.

February 27, 2008

• Robin Kessinger, national flatpicking champion guitarist, returns to the Opera House for his fourth annual concert.

March 5, 2008

• The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) added more than 33,000 acres to the wildlife management area (WMA) system at its February meeting, providing additional recreational activities for outdoors enthusiasts.

• Indy Mack and Derrick Martin have been named Jefferson County Elementary and Middle School/High School Teacher of the Year Nominees, respectively. Indy Mack has taught in Florida for 14 years. Derrick Martin has taught Middle School Math and High School Business Education for three years.

And the raffle goes on...



By Lynette Veit
ECB Publishing, Inc.

Hey, don't forget your raffle tickets!

Along with the series of fish fries during Lent, the Jefferson Senior Citizens Center is holding a raffle on a nice big aluminum tool box (donated by J.T. Surles) that would look great on the back of your truck. For a chance to win, all you have to do is buy a ticket, or two...or five. Raffle tickets are \$5 each, or five tickets for \$20.

Here's a few details on what you have a chance of winning: A 'High Quality American Hand Crafted Aluminum Toolbox,' featuring a gearlock self-adjusting dual rotary locking system that always latches and closes for superior security, and a self-aligning latch pin that pivots from side-to-side to engage with the gear-lock system – no adjustments required. The three-layer laminated rigid structural lid has a reverse beveled edge liner and an inner layer of rigid foam insulation, to create the most rigid, reinforced, high strength body and the full-wide lock console that resists cargo damage and protects the lock system.



And, here are two places you can buy your tickets: stop by Trophy Creek Outfitters and Pawn, 165 West Walnut Street, or call (850) 997-HUNT; or stop by the Jefferson Senior Citizens Center at 1155 North Jefferson. All the proceeds from ticket sales will go toward helping the center keep its doors open and continue serving Jefferson County's elderly.

The raffle ticket sales will continue for the next few weeks, so there's time to get yours for a chance to win. The drawing is March 23. **Good luck!**

Elected officials talk with Chamber Members



ECB Publishing Inc Photo By Debbie Snapp, February 6, 2018

City Manager Steve Wingate and County Commissioner Betsy Barfield spoke to the members of the Monticello Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce recently. Pictured, from left to right, are: Chamber President Bob Davison, Steve Wingate and Betsy Barfield.

Debbie Snapp, ECB Publishing, Inc.

City Manager Steve Wingate was guest speaker at the February 6 Chamber meeting, along with County Commissioner Betsy Barfield.

Wingate explained the sewer line to Lloyd, on the south of town, and water main projects and replacements north of town. He touched on the Dogwood Street project, the city's new signage, grants applied for and received, and how important it is for the city and county to work together for the good of the residents.

Barfield also shared her perspectives and goals for the citizens of Jefferson County. She touched on the upcoming elections, economic development, tourism, Eco-tourism, the tax abatement program and jobs related to that program. She gave an update on the Industrial Park, area wetlands and identifying the best land parcels of interest in the county.

Barfield answered questions about the A-Building and finding ways to finish its restoration and the targeted dirt roads needing to be paved. She also gave some insight into Lake Miccosukee and how it's managed.

Monticello Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce members will meet again on Tuesday, March 6 at noon for lunch, catered by Chicken Delite, and the program speaker will be entrepreneur Arun Kundra. He's expected to talk about the I-10/Highway 59 Development project.

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Bike trek not for the fainthearted on March 3



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Calling all adventurers and cycling enthusiasts!

The Dirty Pecan 2018 is being held on Saturday, March 3. This scenic and rural trek, which starts at 8 a.m. at the UF Extension Office, promises to be a dirt/gravel cycling enthusiasts dream.

The ride will take cyclers north, out of Jefferson County and past the Florida/Georgia state line. From there, cyclers can choose to take one of the four path options.

The first option, the Dirty Pecan 60, will take cyclers through 61.4 miles of country dirt roads, up into Metcalf, GA, before cyclers turn northeast to head into Boston, GA. From there, they will travel back south and make their way back to Monticello.

The second option, The Dirty Pecan 80, is a total of 81.2 miles, and is similar to the 60, except that cyclers will travel up into Eason, GA, after leaving Metcalf, east over into Barwick, GA, and then back south into Boston before returning to Monticello.

The third option, the Dirty Pecan 100 (104.1 miles) is almost identical to the 80, except cyclers will head further out southeast into Ashville, FL, before returning to Monticello.

The final option, the Dirty Pecan 150, which is 150.7 miles, is the largest, most expansive route, which will bring cyclers through more rural roads, more unpaved forgotten pathways of North Florida and South Georgia than any other route.

This ride is unsupported, meaning there will be no support vehicles, no printouts and no marked courses for riders. Safety, food, water and navigation will be solely up to the riders. There will be emergency water stops marked along the path. Maps marking those stops as well as the different routes can be viewed at www.ridewithgps.com/events/45305-dirty-pecan-2018.

This is a free event, meaning there is no cost to ride, and interested cyclers are invited to sign up same-day at the starting point for the event at the UF Extension Office, located at 2729 W. Washington Hwy. in Monticello. There will also be the option to purchase t-shirts, gift bags and post-ride meals for the event.

The profits from the purchases made will go towards supporting the Jefferson County 4-H program.

"We're grateful for the riders who choose to donate to our local 4-H," says event organizer Betsy Barfield. "We owe an even greater amount of gratitude to Birds Legs Bicycles for being our Presenting Sponsor and Sock Sponsor, as well as the local businesses who have given their financial support."

The Dirty Pecan 2018 promises riders an experience of trekking over 75 percent unpaved route through rural clay and dirt roads lined with moss draped oaks, pecan orchards, southern plantations and farmlands. The event, which has already garnered attention from over 500 pledged cyclists, will be a must-attend occasion for nature lovers and cyclists alike.

Visit Dirty Pecan's Facebook page for more event details at www.facebook.com/dirtypecan.



All-Star Artists to play at opera house

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On Saturday, March 10, Southern Music Rising will present six renowned blues artists to play at the Monticello Opera House.

Sharing the stage, venue artists Mary Everhart, Jim Crozier, C.S. Holt, John Babich, David Cotton and Michael Harrison will be playing a various selection of blues. The doors will open at 7 p.m., while the show will start at 8 p.m.

Your opinion on blues will be blown away by the up-tempo, lively selections of blues that will be performed. "It's going to be very lively," says local musician C.S. Holt, before adding that most people have an imperfect view on blues, and during the venue, they will find that the blues performed will be anything but slow and plodding.

All of the artists slated to perform have extensive knowledge, experience and renown in the local and regional blues community. Everhart is a two time inductee into the Florida Blues Hall of Fame and Babich has garnered a reputation as the finest keyboard player in the region while running a successful band, JB's ZydacoZoo. "He is the best there is," said Holt. "It's going to be a great band. [I'm] not bragging, but we are all really good at what we do."

Every player to perform on stage has been carefully selected for the perfect combination of honed talent and experience. With many of the players being long time songwriters, the event will be similar to song writer rounds, with each artist getting a chance to shine in the spotlight. Unlike song writer rounds, however, there will be a full band accompanying each player. "It will be unique, very unique," said Holt. "It's our idea of a traditional, old school blues review."

A cash bar will be open downstairs, and when the performance ends at 9:30 p.m., the artists will be available for an hour long meet and greet on stage with fans.

There will be no better room for music on March 10 than the Monticello Opera House. Fans of the genre or those wanting to experience live music played well will not want to miss this night of original blues from local and regional masters of their craft.

Tickets will be available at the door on the evening of the event, but to ensure reserved seating, tickets can be purchased online at the Monticello Opera House website. For groups that surpass 10 people, the opera house requests calling in advance for special arrangements. Purchase tickets online at www.monticellooperahouse.org/buy-tickets.

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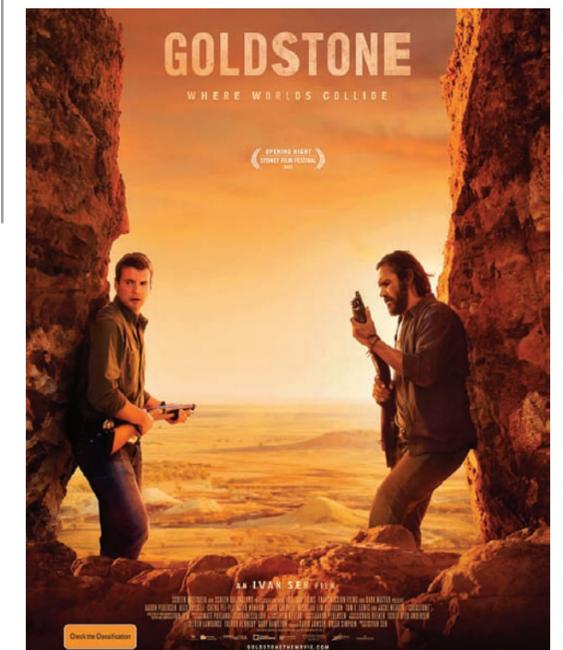
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THIS WEEK at THE MOVIES

“Game Night” Pleasantly Passes The Time

By Stephen Whitty

OK, what's the answer to "Harmless comedy with two likable stars"? Two words, nine letters?

I think we have the solution right here.

Game Night is a slick farce that takes a ridiculous situation and works it pretty painlessly, thanks to Jason Bateman and Rachel McAdams. You won't leave the theater holding your sides from laughter, but you won't walk out holding your head, either.

Bateman and McAdams play Max and Annie, young marrieds whose idea of a wild Friday is a night at home with two other couples, chasing after that pink Trivial Pursuit wedge. They're all pretty competitive, although they pale next to Max's brother, Brooks (Kyle Chandler).

Brooks, you see, is all about taking things to the next level. So the night he joins in, he throws away the gang's Scrabble board and dares them to join him in a role-playing murder-mystery game.

Except then real criminals join the fun. And soon it's impossible to tell who's playing a role and who'd better start running for their lives.

How much you enjoy a game usually depends on who you play it with. Luckily, directors John Francis Daley and Jonathan Goldstein have made some smart choices here. Bateman could play the slightly exasperated nice guy in his sleep by now—but he doesn't, instead adding an off-kilter bounce. And there are few big-screen smiles warmer than that of the amiable McAdams. Chandler is a nice add, too, as the brash, boastful Brooks.

It's good they've all been dealt in, too, and anted up their charisma, because the rules of this game—and the plot of the film—don't always make sense. It's clear that the filmmakers, who also teamed with Bateman on the Horrible Bosses films, like edgy. But all the bloody shootouts and crazy car chases aren't just overstuffed with double-crosses; they distract from the real object of the film.

You know, the jokes.



Still, the cast livens up the dull moments, and although there could be more gags, the ones that do show up—including a story about a celebrity hook-up—pay off wonderfully. There's also a surprise guest star or two, and some cute nostalgic details worked in—the little pieces from Parcheesi, the terrier from Monopoly.

For the truly demanding, the film can feel a little middle-of-the-road. It won't challenge you, like chess or bridge (or embarrass you, like Cards Against Humanity). It's just a friendly, occasionally funny way to pass two hours.

But if you're planning a date night, that may make Game Night a safe bet.

Stephen's Grade: **B-**

Game Night

Rated R

Stars: Jason Bateman, Rachel McAdams, Kyle Chandler

Directors: John Francis Daley, Jonathan Goldstein

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NEW THIS WEEK



Goldstone

Rated R

Stars: Aaron Pedersen, Alex Russell, Jacki Weaver
Director: Ivan Sen

When an indigenous Australian detective investigates a routine missing persons case, he uncovers crime and corruption in the town of Goldstone.

Red Sparrow

Rated R

Stars: Jennifer Lawrence, Joel Edgerton, Mary-Louise Parker
Director: Francis Lawrence

A Russian ballerina is recruited by the Sparrow School, a secret intelligence service that trains young people to use their bodies and minds as weapons.

Foxtrot

Rated R

Stars: Lior Ashkenazi, Sarah Adler, Yonaton Shiray
Director: Samuel Maoz

This award-winning Israeli film begins when a couple finds out their son, a soldier, has been killed in the line of duty.

The Vanishing of Sidney Hall

Rated R

Stars: Michelle Monaghan, Elle Fanning, Logan Lerman
Director: Shawn Christensen

A young, controversial writer's life starts to fall apart after he writes a bestselling novel about the death of his high-school friend.

Gnome Alone

Rated PG

Stars: Becky G, Josh Peck, Tara Strong
Director: Peter Lepeniotis

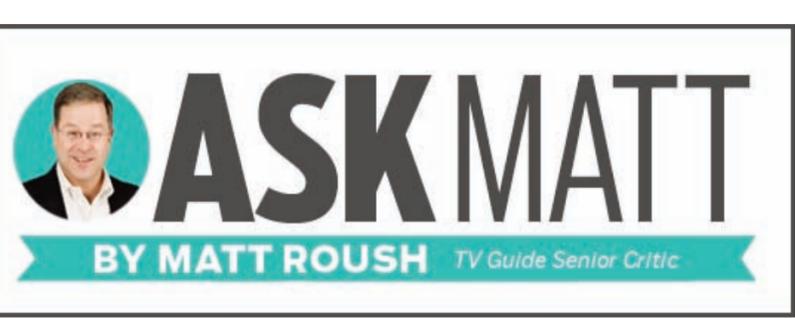
They're alive! When Chloe moves into a new home with garden gnomes galore, she discovers that the gnomes are alive and protecting the world from Troggs.

Death Wish

Rated R

Stars: Bruce Willis, Vincent D'Onofrio, Elisabeth Shue
Director: Eli Roth

A remake of the 1974 film starring Charles Bronson and novel by Brian Garfield, Death Wish is about what happens when a man's family is attacked by robbers.



What do you think of “Home Town” on HGTV?



Question: Regarding the article on new "Dynamic Design Duos," as much as I'm really going to miss Fixer Upper, I wouldn't pick Restored by the Fords or Flip or Flop: Nashville as my new fave design show. What about Erin and Ben Napier of Home Town? They are the ones to watch in terms of restoration/renovation. In terms of overall impressive shows, you didn't even mention as alternatives shows like DIY's Stone House Revival, Restored, Maine Cabin Masters and Rehab Addict. Having said all of this, I can't wait for Nate & Jeremiah to return and wish Chip and Joanna would reconsider! –Barbara

Matt Roush: That was obviously a very selective list, and lists exist to be argued over. But Barbara is hardly the only one to single out Home Town. Ann from Springfield, MO., also wrote in praise of the Napiers: "I wish their shows were longer, because their designs are far and away the best ever." I defer to these fans, because this is a genre of TV, however thriving, that I just don't have much time to indulge. I blame Netflix.

Question: What happened to The Jim Jefferies Show? I have been anxiously waiting for it to return. –Laura

Matt Roush: Comedy Central likes him, too. The channel announced a 20-episode renewal in January for the Australian comedian's late-night show starting March 27.

To submit questions to TV Critic Matt Roush, go to: tvinsider.com

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Ten ways summer camp can change your child's life



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A 4-H member looks through a microscope as part of a 4-H entomology program. UF/IFAS photo by Tyler Jones.

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Summer camp is all about transformation. Camp counselors become role models. Bunkmates learn healthy conflict-resolution. Even the shy kids make new friends.

"Parents often notice a big difference when their child comes back from camp. They say their kids are more mature, responsible and confident in themselves," said Neva Baltzell, state camping program coordinator for Florida 4-H, the youth development program of the University of Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences Extension.

"The culture of acceptance and support at our camps makes this growth possible," she said. Here are ten big ways camp can change a child's life for the better:

1. They'll dare to try something new.

At camp, most kids are in unfamiliar territory, Baltzell said. "4-H has camps for everything from marine biology to archery to cooking. Trying new things can be a bit daunting for some, but getting over that hurdle can give them the courage to try more new things," she said.

2. They'll learn to unplug.

Smart phones, tablets and video games are usually not part of camp activities. "Knowing how to communicate with people in person is becoming more and more valuable. Putting away devices gives kids a chance to interact face-to-face and build social skills," Baltzell said.

3. They'll make new friends.

"Unlike the social scene kids might find at

school, many campers don't know each other, so new friendships quickly blossom," said Sarah Hensley, youth curriculum and evaluation state specialized UF/IFAS Extension agent with Florida 4-H.

New friends may not share the same backgrounds, so camp exposes kids to a diversity of experiences and helps them see beyond what they've grown up with, Hensley said. According to a 2017 survey of 4-H campers, 96 percent reported making new friends. Forming relationships and feeling like they "fit in" is crucial to the development of young children and camp is a place where that happens.

4. They'll learn to live with roommates.

"Everyone has to learn to live among other people—whether their bunkmates, co-workers or the neighbors next door," Baltzell said. Camp cabins are a perfect place to work on respecting others and keeping the peace.

5. They'll practice empathy.

A recent survey of 4-H campers showed that 93 percent of participants said they "learned to 'consider how others feel' as a result of attending

camp," Hensley said. With adult supervision, youth can practice working out conflicts by putting themselves in another's shoes.

6. They'll get in touch with nature.

From kayaking to hiking in the woods, campers gain an appreciation for the environment and are more likely to be inspired to conserve it for future generations, Hensley said.

7. They'll learn independence and responsibility.

For many children, summer camp is the first time they've been away from their parents for an extended time. Campers have to make more decisions for themselves and think through the consequences of those decisions, Baltzell said. Ninety-five percent of campers say that they learned to be "responsible for their actions" while attending 4-H camp.

8. They'll find a mentor — or become one.

"At 4-H camps, 14 to 18-year-olds act as camp counselors to the younger kids. Counselors get hands-on leadership training, and the younger kids look to the counselors as role models," Baltzell said.

9. They'll work as a part of a team.

"Campers quickly learn how to solve problems as a group," Hensley said. "Whether they're trying to build the perfect s'more or paddle a canoe, youth learn the power of cooperation."

10. They'll be accepted for who they are.

"One of the 4-H mottos is 'Making the best better,'" Baltzell said. "4-H members accept others as they are, and create a safe, inclusive community. 4-H members always cheer each other on, and that attitude really comes through in the camp setting." To learn more about the Florida 4-H program and camping opportunities, contact your local UF/IFAS Extension office or go to SolutionsForYourLife.com.

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Farm Bureau teaching 4-H'ers about Florida Agriculture



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Florida Farm Bureau Board Member Stephen Monroe, in the white cowboy hat, visited Clay County 4Hers and agents on a recent Thursday, touring Tallahassee's cattle and horse herds and talking about Florida Agriculture.

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Florida Farm Bureau Board Member Stephen Monroe visited with Clay County 4-H'ers and their counselors on Thursday, February 22. During the visit they toured Florida Cracker Cattle and Florida Cracker Horse herds in Tallahassee.

Florida Cracker is a breed of cattle developed in the state of Florida, and named for the Florida Cracker culture in which it was kept. Also known as the "Florida Scrub" or just as the "Cracker Cow", the cattle are one of the Criollo-type breeds originally brought

to the Southern United States by the Spanish Conquistadors.

Florida Cracker cattle are Florida's equivalent to the better-known Texas Longhorn. Florida Cracker cattle, Texas Longhorn cattle and the various breeds of Central and South America cattle known collectively as Criollo cattle, all descend from the original cattle imported into the Americas by the Spanish.

During his visit, Monroe also talked with the 4Hers about Florida Agriculture. His main focus was to help the students think about their future careers, as these are their more formative years.

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Honeybees



The polychromatic displays of Spring 2018 are located high and low, in residential and rural areas and seemingly without end. The blooms foretell the likelihood of the next generation of plants, but are also an essential resource for insects in the spring.

A grouping of insects commonly known as pollinators is currently busy collecting nectar and pollen for their own use. By doing this necessary task to survive, they assist the plants and trees which are currently blooming with successful pollination.

European Honeybees are the most commonly known pollinators, and considered by many to be the most efficient. As the name suggest, European Honeybees are not native to North America.

There is some historical record indicating European Honeybees were brought to the New World in 1607 aboard the 38 foot English ship, Discovery. The Discovery was one of three ships used to found Jamestown, Virginia, and its likeness is displayed on the 2000 quarter dollar coin's reverse.

Life for the early settlers was harsh and devoid of most pleasures. Food, when it was available, was bland in appearance and flavor.

Honeybees provided the one sure option for improving the paltry diet. Additionally, in the early 17th Century they required much less work than other livestock.

In addition to adding much need flavoring to the settlers' diet, honey had numerous other uses. It was the basis for alcoholic beverages and a wound dressing, just to name a few.

Soon, likely the next spring in Jamestown, some of the European Honeybees escaped into the wild and located new sites for hives. Hollow trees were quite popular, offering the colony room and protection from animals which preyed on insects.

The hive splitting process is normal behavior for honeybees in the spring, especially when they have outgrown their current residence. A new queen is produced and she leads some the swarm to a fresh residence.

Sometime the departing swarm will temporarily stop on a tree bough. If the area offers shelter and promise, they will stay. Commonly, it is just a rest stop to assess the area and the swarm moves on after the rejection.

The European Honeybees are completely oblivious to human occupation when selecting an area to assess for colonizing. The rest stop may be in the forest, a yard within a subdivision, or a parking lot full of cars.

For the uninitiated, the seemingly sudden visit by European Honeybees may be a bit disconcerting. These insects will closely buzz by anyone or anything venturing too close to the swarm. Perfumes and colognes will attract some additional attention from the bees.

But the purpose of the feral swarm's rest stop is to assess the area, not terrorize the vicinity's residence. Their objective is to collect pollen and nectar, and by default improve the pollination process for all the plants in the area. While the early Jamestown residents did not recognize the value of their honeybee's pollination services, modern agriculture does. Millions, if not billions, of European Honeybees are trucked cross country to pollinize diverse crops, such as almonds, blueberries, watermelons and many others.

It must have been a rough trip across the Atlantic Ocean in 1607, but



everyone today eats better because of it. To learn more about Jefferson County's honeybees, contact your UF/IFAS Jefferson Extension Office at (850) 342-0187 or <http://jefferson.ifas.ufl.edu/>



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Farm Bureaus celebrate Food Check-Out Week

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Florida Farm Bureaus celebrated Food Check-Out Week across the Sunshine State February 19-23. Pictured, from left to right and preparing hotcakes, are: Greg Harden, Jefferson County District Fieldman and Ernest Fulford, Jefferson County Farm Bureau President.



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Florida Farm Bureaus collected food for the Ronald McDonald House in Tallahassee during Food Check-Out Week across the Sunshine State February 19-23. Ladies from District 2, including Sarah Fulford from Jefferson County, are pictured listening to a speech from Brenda Gayle Land.

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Sarah Fulford attended a gathering at the Ronald McDonald House in Tallahassee during Florida Farm Bureau Food Check-Out Week with a food collection from the Jefferson County Farm Bureau.



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Florida Farm Bureaus recognized Food Check-Out Week February 19-23 across the Sunshine State recently; celebrating the farmers and ranchers who are committed to producing a nutritious and abundant food supply.

Locally Food Check Out Day was celebrated on February 20 at the Ronald McDonald House in Tallahassee, with members Ernest, Sarah, and Clay Fulford attending from Jefferson County.

The Farm Bureaus of Jefferson, Madison, Gadsden, Liberty, Wakulla, Leon, Suwannee, Hamilton, Lafayette and Taylor counties donated \$1,000 worth of groceries and gift cards to the Ronald McDonald House. Together the counties collected sacks full of soda can tabs. The pop tabs are used to pay the electricity bills.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR JEFFERSON COUNTY, FLORIDA GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION CASE NO. 17000174CAAXMX

FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION ("FANNIE MAE"), A CORPORATION ORGANIZED AND EXISTING UNDER THE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Plaintiff, vs.

CHERYL A. HOWARD; WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, D/B/A CHRISTIANA TRUST, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY IN ITS CAPACITY AS OWNER TRUSTEE FOR WF 19 GRANTOR TRUST, et al. Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated 2/13/18, and entered in 17000174CAAXMX of the Circuit Court of the SECOND Judicial Circuit in and for Jefferson County, Florida, wherein FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION ("FANNIE MAE"), A CORPORATION ORGANIZED AND EXISTING UNDER THE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA is the Plaintiff and CHERYL A. HOWARD; WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, D/B/A CHRISTIANA TRUST, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY IN ITS CAPACITY AS OWNER TRUSTEE FOR WF 19 GRANTOR TRUST are the Defendant(s). Kirk Reams as the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the North Door 1 Courthouse Circle, Monticello, FL 32344, at 11:00 AM, on 6/21/18 the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

A 1.72 ACRE PARCEL OF LAND LYING IN SECTION 1, TOWNSHIP 1 NORTH, RANGE 4 EAST, JEFFERSON COUNTY, FLORIDA, BEING A PORTION OF THE WOODS PROPERTY AS DESCRIBED IN THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF JEFFERSON COUNTY IN OFFICIAL RECORD BOOK 178, PAGE 71 AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE AT A CONCRETE MONUMENT MARKING THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 1, TOWNSHIP 1 NORTH, RANGE 4 EAST, JEFFERSON COUNTY, FLORIDA AND RUN NORTH 00 DEGREES 41 MINUTES 21 SECONDS WEST A DISTANCE OF 1,148.32 FEET TO A POINT ON THE SOUTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF COUNTY ROAD 259, THENCE NORTH 74 DEGREES 35 MINUTES 32 SECONDS EAST, ALONG SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE, A DISTANCE OF 379.91 FEET FOR A POINT OF BEGINNING, THENCE FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING CONTINUE NORTH 74 DEGREES 35 MINUTES 32 SECONDS EAST, ALONG SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE, A DISTANCE OF 42.83 FEET TO A POINT, SAID POINT BEING ON A CURVE CONCAVE TO THE NORTH, THENCE RUN ALONG SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE AND CURVE HAVING A RADIUS OF 1,769.12 FEET, THROUGH A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 04 DEGREES 26 MINUTES 27 SECONDS, FOR AN ARC DISTANCE OF 137.12 FEET, (CHORD OF SAID ARC BEING NORTH 72 DEGREES 35 MINUTES 09 SECONDS EAST 137.08 FEET) TO A POINT ON THE EAST BOUNDARY OF SAID WOODS PROPERTY, AS DESCRIBED IN THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF SAID JEFFERSON COUNTY IN OFFICIAL RECORD BOOK 178, PAGE 71, THENCE LEAVING SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE RUN SOUTH 05 DEGREES 29 MINUTES 12 SECONDS EAST, ALONG THE EAST BOUNDARY OF SAID WOODS PROPERTY, A DISTANCE OF 503.75 FEET TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID WOODS PROPERTY, THENCE SOUTH 75 DEGREES 28 MINUTES 45 SECONDS WEST, ALONG THE SOUTH BOUNDARY OF SAID WOODS PROPERTY, A DISTANCE OF 137.31 FEET TO A POINT, THENCE LEAVING THE SOUTH BOUNDARY OF SAID WOODS PROPERTY, RUN NORTH 06 DEGREES 08 MINUTES 31 SECONDS WEST A DISTANCE OF 284.92 FEET TO A POINT, THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 50 MINUTES 50 SECONDS WEST A DISTANCE OF 20.65 FEET TO A POINT, THENCE NORTH 10 DEGREES 14 MINUTES 54 SECONDS WEST A DISTANCE OF 203.47 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

Property Address: 481 WAUKEENAH HWY, 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 60 days after the sale.

Dated this 14th day of February, 2018.
Tim Sanders
As Clerk of the Court

By: Sherry Sears
As Deputy Clerk

IMPORTANT

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT: If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact: ADA Coordinator; 301 South Monroe Street; Tallahassee, FL 32301; 850.606.4401; at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO REGISTER FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

In accordance with Section 865.09, Florida Statutes NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of: THRIVE THERAPEUTIC SOLUTIONS mailing address of 872 WAUKEENAH HWY. MONTICELLO, FL 32344 located in Jefferson County, Florida. Owner intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida. Owner: TAMARA E. LEWIS Dated this 2nd day of March, 2018 3/2

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that DONALD SHEMWELL, JR, the holder of the following Tax Sale Certificate has filed said Tax Certificate for the Tax Deed to be issued thereon. The Certificate Number and year of issuance, the Description of the property, and the Name in which it is assessed as follows:

File Number: 17-0019-TD
Certificate Number: 76 Year of Issuance: 2011
Description of Property: 00-00-00-0330-0000-0480
Lot 48 New Hope Subd
ORB 600 PG 841 & ORB 672, PG 653
Site Address: E Clark Ave

Name in which assessed: NATL Rec Land LLC

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 Steps on the March 15, 2018 at 11:00 A.M.

Tim Sanders
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Jefferson County, FL

BY: Sherry Sears, Deputy Clerk 2/9,16,23, 3/2

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 2nd JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR JEFFERSON COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO.: 2014-0116-CA

BAYVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC, a Delaware Limited Liability Company

Plaintiff, vs.

PATRICK J. SLEVIN, EILEEN SLEVIN, REGIONS BANK S/B/M to AMSOUTH BANK, RAINEY LAKE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated January 23, 2018, and entered in Case No.2014-0116-CA of the Circuit Court of the 2nd Judicial Circuit, in and for JEFFERSON COUNTY, Florida, where in BAYVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC, a Delaware Limited Liability Company, is the Plaintiff and PATRICK J. SLEVIN, EILEEN SLEVIN, REGIONS BANK S/B/M to AMSOUTH BANK, RAINEY LAKE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, are the Defendants, the Clerk of Court shall offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash on 3/22/18, at 11 :00 am, at 1 Courthouse Circle, North Steps, Monticello, FL., the following described property as set forth in said Summary Final Judgment lying and being situate in JEFFERSON County, Florida, to wit:

The land referred to herein below is situated in the County of Jefferson, State of Florida, and is described as follows:

LOT3 COMMENCE AT A CONCRETE MONUMENT MARKING THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SECTION 29, TOWNSHIP 2 NORTH, RANGE 4 EAST, JEFFERSON COUNTY, FLORIDA AND RUN NORTH 89 DEGREES 38 MINUTES 19 SECONDS EAST 1318.51 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 20 MINUTES 01 SECOND EAST 1359.51 FEET TO A ST. JOE PAPER CO. CONCRETE MONUMENT ON THE NORTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY BOUNDARY OF U.S. HIGHWAY NO. 90 (STATE ROAD NO. 10) (100 FOOT RIGHT OF WAY); THENCE RUN NORTH 77 DEGREES 03 MINUTES EAST ALONG SAID RIGHT OF WAY BOUNDARY A DISTANCE OF 3685.25 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT MARKING THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF LANDS DESCRIBED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 145, PAGE 409 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, FLORIDA; THENCE RUN NORTH 00 DEGREES 19 MINUTES 23 SECONDS WEST ALONG THE WEST BOUNDARY OF SAID LANDS A DISTANCE OF 3093.18 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT; THENCE RUN SOUTH 89 DEGREES 02 MINUTE 03 SECONDS EAST ALONG THE NORTHWESTERLY BOUNDARY OF SAID LANDS A DISTANCE OF 432.32 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT; THENCE RUN NORTH 00 DEGREES 19 MINUTES 58 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID NORTHWESTERLY BOUNDARY A DISTANCE OF 38.59 FEET; THENCE RUN SOUTH 89 DEGREES 53 MINUTES 33 SECONDS EAST 769.51 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING CONTINUE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 53 MINUTES 33 SECONDS EAST 384.49 FEET; THENCE RUN NORTH 00 DEGREES 19 MINUTES 14 SECONDS WEST 1132.96 FEET TO A POINT LYING ON THE NORTH BOUNDARY OF AFORESAID LANDS DESCRIBED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 145, PAGE 409; THENCE RUN NORTH 89 DEGREES 53 MINUTES 33 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID NORTH BOUNDARY A DISTANCE OF 384.49 FEET; THENCE RUN SOUTH 00 DEGREES 19 MINUTES 14 SECONDS EAST 1132.96 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, THE SOUTH 30.00 FEET THEREOF BEING SUBJECT TO A PROPOSED 60 FOOT INGRESS, EGRESS AND UTILITY EASEMENT.

NOTICE: If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in a court proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Office of Court Administration at (850) 577-4401, or at the Leon County Courthouse, Room 225, 301 S. Monroe Street, Tallahassee, FL 32301 within 2 working days of receipt of a notice compelling you to appear at a court proceeding; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. The ADA Coordinator for the courts in Leon County is Doug Smith. He may be reached at (850) 577-4444 or through the Florida Relay Service, TDD at 1-800-955-8771. The address for the Office of Court Administration is: Leon County Courthouse, 301 S. Monroe Street, Room 225, Tallahassee, FL 32301. In all other counties in the circuit please contact the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office and ask for the ADA Coordinator. The Clerk's number is included on each county page.

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 PEND ENS MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE. THE CLERK SHALL RECEIVE A SERVICE CHARGE OF UP TO \$70 FOR SERVICES IN MAKING, RECORDING, AND CERTIFYING THE SALE AND TITLE THAT SHALL BE ASSESSED AS COSTS. THE COURT, IN ITS DISCRETION, MAY ENLARGE THE TIME OF THE SALE. NOTICE OF THE CHANGED TIME OF SALE SHALL BE PUBLISHED AS PROVIDED HEREIN. DATED this 15th day of February, 2018

Tim Sanders
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

By: Sherry Sears
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