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No more time change for Florida?

U.S. Congress has final decision

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“Whereas, the State of Florida is known as the 'Sunshine State', [and] as the 'Sunshine State', Florida should be kept sunny year round,” so reads House Bill 1013 (The Sunshine Protection Act), a bill that passed through both the Florida House of Representatives and the Florida Senate with a majority of support from both senators and representatives (in the House, 103 voted yea, 11 voted nay with 6 not voting. In the Senate, 33 voted yea and 2 voted nay, with 3 not voting).

HB 1013's intent is to keep Floridians from having to change their clocks again, with March 11, 2018 being the last time such a change is required.

According to the bill, Floridian lawmakers propose that the state remain on Daylight Saving Time (DST), rather than 'falling back' into the second time change on Nov. 4.

Supporters of the bill proclaim that this act would mean that Floridians would get more daylight hours all year long, rather than having to adjust back to the shorter days that take place during the Nov. 4 time change.

Other arguments in favor of the bill claim that having more hours of daylight in the evenings would mean more time for people to participate in outdoor recreational activities and that longer daylight hours would be better for commerce, as more people will stop and shop after getting off work. The longer daylight hours in the evening may also be an opportunity to save local government money, as sports games won't require lighting, meaning cities and counties won't have to foot the bill.

However, not everyone is in favor with the bill, as it can also be argued that staying on the Daylight Saving Time hours during the Autumn and Winter months will mean that early morning will stay darker longer, and that people who wake up early for work will have to continue rising and leaving when it is dark outside. The new hours might also be difficult for those who work out of state, but live in Florida.

The bill, while passed by Florida lawmakers, has to get the approval of the United States Congress
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LOCAL

Interpress Studios returns March 26

Parents: Here's an opportunity to get a photo made of your child or children, and have the photo appear in the newspaper, at no cost obligation. There is no age limit for the children, either.

Interpress Studios, a professional and mobile photography team, will be in Monticello on Monday, March 26 and will set up shop from 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the Woman's Club, located on East Pearl St.

The studio will take the children's photos - maybe even a family portrait, if you desire, although the latter is not eligible for inclusion in the newspaper - and in about three weeks, the *Monticello News* will feature the children's photos under the heading of "Tomorrow's Leaders."

Returning this year, is the popular contest for the "Most Photogenic Baby Under One Year In Age." The winner of the contest will receive a FREE 8x10 canvas print.

An appointment for the photo taking is not required but is highly encouraged. To schedule an appointment, call Cassi Anderson at (850) 688-3146.



WE ARE PREPARED



ECB Publishing, Inc. Photo By Ashley Hunter, March 14, 2018

On Wednesday, March 14, local deputies and officers from Florida Highway Patrol, Jefferson Correctional Institute, Jefferson County Sheriff's Office, and the Madison County Sheriff's Office headed out to Aucilla Christian Academy and Jefferson Somerset Academy to use the schools as training grounds for tactics and safety measures in the event of a school shooting; all skills none of the officers ever want to need. Pictured, from left to right, are: Dep. Corey Burrus, JSCO; Dep. Brandon Ryland, JSCO; and Dep. Jacob Freeman, JSCO.

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As the world changes and security needs evolve, the realization that schools are not always the safest places is dawning all over the United States.

In February, that knowledge hit close to home when students and staff at a Florida school, Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School, in

Parkland, FL., were the victims of an active shooter on Valentine's Day.

For the better or worse, law makers fumble over what laws to tighten, or whether to loosen them, and while some may sit still and wait, Jefferson County law enforcement decided against inaction.

In the name of proactivity, and to ensure that their officers and deputies had an airtight plan with perfected training and routine, the Jefferson
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WRECK

Driver, baby injured

Ashley Hunter
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Brenda Estime, 21, of Miami, was traveling west on Interstate 10 on Friday, March 9 around 7:30 a.m. when, according to the Florida Highway Patrol, she either fell asleep behind the wheel or became fatigued.

A witness claimed that Estime's vehicle, a 2011 Chevy, crossed into the outside lane of travel, nearly colliding with another vehicle in that lane. Estime overcorrected, veering to the left, before overcorrecting again, steering her vehicle to the right and into the outside emergency lane. Estime applied her



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After experiencing fatigue behind the wheel, Brenda Estime, of Miami, nearly collided with another vehicle on Interstate 10 before overcorrecting and steering into the treeline. Estime and her two-month old passenger were transported to Tallahassee Memorial Hospital with incapacitating injuries.

vehicle's breaks before entering the right shoulder, sliding down into the deep embankment alongside the road and entering the tree line. The front of Estime's car struck a tree, where it came to a final rest.

Both Estime and her passenger, a two-month-old infant, were either using their seatbelt or properly secured into a car seat.

Estime and the infant were transported to Tallahassee Memorial Hospital

with incapacitating injuries, with no further update on their condition. In Florida, injuries are considered incapacitating if they are disabling and require transportation to a medical facility for care.



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Apples are more effective at waking you up in the morning than coffee

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73°F	75°F	78°F	77°F
53°F	60°F	63°F	63°F



Letters To The Editor

Letters to the Editor are typed word for word, comma for comma, as sent to this newspaper.

March is Colon Cancer Awareness Month

Submitted by Mary Madison

Colon Cancer is one of the most preventable types of cancer, and yet it's one of the leading causes of cancer-related deaths in the U.S.

The U.S. Preventive Services Task Force recommends regular colon cancer screenings for everyone age 50 and older, age 45 or older if African American. Decades ago colon cancer was not mentioned or even recognized by the African American community, for many reasons, the major reasons lack of knowledge and irregular doctor visits. My Grandmother and Mother both suffered the disease.

This prompted me to begin screening early. I admit, I wasn't as knowledgeable before about the colon cancer disease until I became of age for screening. Also, there were myths of having a screening, of the severe pain. After scheduling my procedure, I discovered the only pain for me was having to drink so much of the cleansing fluids the night before, not the "on-the-table" experience.

I was reading a True or False – Test your colon cancer IQ in a recent magazine. I would like to share: It is true that having a colonoscopy can help prevent colon cancer, just by getting screened, because if precancerous polyps

are detected they can be removed and diagnosed before they turn into cancer.

It is false that a colonoscopy is the only approved colon cancer screening, although it is the most preferred and effective. Other ways of testing are sigmoidoscopy, fecal occult blood test, CT colonography and the stool DNA. However, if any of these show abnormality you will need to do a colonoscopy follow-up.

It is also false that symptoms of colon polyps include blood in the stool and loose stools. According to the American Cancer Society (ACS), colon polyps – often don't cause any symptoms – at least in their early stages. Screening is most because you may have polyps and not know it. Such was my case. My first screening revealed a couple of tiny polyps. After diagnosis they were negative, but was scheduled annual screenings for three years. After three years I am scheduled screenings every three years barring any polyps showing up.

Doctors may recommend early screening if you have a family history or other high risk of colon polyps or cancer. My suggestion – if you suspect learn, as I did, you have a family history and for sure when you become of age, GET SCREENED.

Lets see if I got this right

Submitted by George Pouliotte

This animal Nikolas Cruz walks into school and kills (17) young men and women and wounded another 16. According to reports, four (4) Broward Sheriff's Deputies waited outside rather than rush in as the killer was gunning down students. Those allegations emerged a couple of days after Broward County Deputy Scott Peterson resigned under fire for failing to enter the school during the shooting. President Trump on Friday said Peterson, who was assigned to guard the school, "did a really poor job." The Florida Sun-Sentinel reported that according to City Police officers at least three Broward deputies, and Peterson, waited outside. The Broward Sheriff's Office said Friday it investigated the Coral Springs Police Officer's claims and said that never happened. But then admitted it may have and more investigation was needed. The allegations add to so many series of failures that have emerged since Cruz was arrested and charged with 17 counts of premeditated murder. Broward Deputies are now under investigation over whether they mishandled warnings about Cruz in the months leading up to the shooting. The FBI admitted it failed to investigate similar claims, and Florida child welfare agency looked into concerns about Cruz, but concluded he wasn't a risk to himself or others. The Sun-Sentinel wrote that three Coral Springs Police Officers said Sheriff's deputies did not go into the school building when they should have, and the Coral Springs Police Chief relayed his concerns to the sheriff's office. Sheriff Israel said. "If we find out, as we did with Peterson, that our deputies made mistakes and didn't go in, I'll handle it like I always have. I'll handle any violations of policy or procedures accordingly." At a news conference Thursday, Israel said Peterson should have "gone in addressed the killer, and killed Cruz." Video footage showed Peterson did none of that. Coral Springs city manager Mike Goodrum confronted Israel about the deputies' response and Goodrum would only say he and Israel had a "heated discussion."

The following are my thoughts. Who is really responsible for all of this carnage? The FBI had been warned of

Cruz several times, "did nothing" The Sheriff's Department confronted Cruz at his home according to Fox News 45 times also "did nothing" Child welfare agency contacted Cruz several times "did nothing" Four (4) Deputies refused to confront Cruz in the school and "did nothing" The Miami-Dade School Police Department (MDSPD) in 2010, implemented a policy that reduced the number of criminal reports. This action created the appearance of a reduction, in crime at schools. The Broward County Sheriff's Department implemented the same policy thus never charging Cruz with any crimes he committed, making the school look better by having less crime committed in the school. Who do I blame for this carnage??

I blame the school, the Sheriff's department, The FBI, and the Florida Child Welfare Agency. By making the school look good, with no charges being made on students including Cruz, therefore Cruz was able to purchase his firearm, as he had no record. Had government entities done their job, none of this would have happened. Cruz could not have purchased a firearm. Well now, from all the reports I heard on TV, Radio, Facebook, and Twitter, a mere 30 seconds after the first shot was fired. The blame went out to the NRA, The President Trump, and the Armalite Rifle AR-15. We're told we must now change the age from 18 to 21 years old in order to purchase a rifle and we must ban the Armalite Rifle AR-15. By the way, does anyone really think, that any NRA member would have let Cruz shoot people and not interfere? Absolutely none, that I know of. Governments can't keep drugs off the streets, Governments can't keep drugs out of elementary schools, Governments can't keep drugs out of federal prisons, Governments can't keep drugs out of State Prisons, however they want us to disarm and trust them to keep firearms out of the criminal's hands? Hmm. Keeping a School safe is a relatively simple job, arm Teachers, Custodians, and Guards checking all personnel wanting to enter the buildings, (Gun Free Zones) are soft targets, which is why they are always the targets of criminals. Cowards never, ever, attack non Gun Free zones.

Passing Parade

by Nelson Pryor, Guest Columnist

The Last Ounce of Courage

Every day 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.



Jesus is the reason!

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!

My thoughts on the 2018 budget

Submitted by Sen. Bill Montford

Though we expected a tough budget year, I'm concerned with some of the most fundamental aspects of the budget. Education saw an increase of less than half a dollar in the base student allocation; that is just .01%. With 27,000 new students, standard inflation costs and hurricane impacts, this will not cover it. We cannot continue to have a world-class education system when we refuse to pay for it. Additionally, we have continually neglected across the board pay increases for our state employees over the last decade and returned to that trend this year. One of the most important engines behind any business is their workforce; the same is true for the State of Florida. These issues clearly illustrate the need for the state to reevaluate basic government functions and take an active approach in funding them.

Despite the many disappointments, I advocated for the dollars so desperately needed in North Florida and there were some wins for the area. Infrastructure is a continually growing need and imperative to economic development. This year the legislature recognized that need with almost \$30 million for the small county road resurface assistance program and more than \$72 million for the small county outreach program, of which \$15 million will go directly to rural areas of

opportunity.

Many of our most fiscally constrained counties face insurmountable price tags on wastewater treatment and management, which is why I fought to include \$18 million for grant programs. Proper water management is the foundation of any community's ability to thrive. While this money is great news, water projects in North Florida came up short. Rural districts simply do not have the taxing capacity to meet the needs that are so apparent. We must provide more state assistance.

Accessible outdoor space plays a vital role in our communities, giving children and families a place to gather, enjoy the great outdoors and share the importance of physical activity. The City of Madison will receive \$50,000 for Jesse W. Solomon Park.

In education, it has become apparent that early childhood education and kindergarten readiness is a likely indicator of later success. Rural areas have little or no access to quality programs. This year I fought for money to expand a program that is preparing children for kindergarten in Jefferson County to include Liberty, Madison, Wakulla and Gadsden Counties as well. As an educator I know the difference a quality education can make in child's life and, regardless of where you live, you should have every opportunity for a first class education.

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TIME CHANGE

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 before being enacted. Gov. Rick Scott has only agreed to review the bill, and let Congress make the final call.

According to the federal Uniform Time Act of 1966, states are allowed to exempt themselves from daylight saving time, as Arizona and Hawaii have done, but Florida isn't attempting to exempt itself from daylight saving time...but is attempting to remain *on* the time.

It's a fumble of paperwork at this point, since even though Florida is not

expressively requesting it, the passage of the bill would align the majority of Florida with Atlantic time, removing it from the Eastern Time zone and the parts of the state which currently follow Central Time would be shifted into Eastern Time. While states are allowed exemption from daylight savings time, they are not allowed to change the time zone they fall into.

"If the United States Congress amends 15 U.S.C. s. 260a to authorize states to observe daylight saving time year round, it is the intent of the Legislature that daylight saving time shall be the year round standard time of the entire state and all of its

political subdivisions," reads HB 1013.

For Congress to approve HB 1013, it would require them to amend the legislature that prevents a state from changing it's time zone, and if Congress says no, then HB 1013 dies, since the wording of the bill weighs heavily on the 'if'.

Should Congress approve of the change, then it would take effect on July 1 of this year.

In the House, Jefferson's Representative Halsey Beshears voted against HB 1013 and in the Senate, Senator Bill Montford voted in favor of the bill.

CORRECTION – Squirrel Bites Woman

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In the article posted in the March 9, 2018 edition of the Jefferson County Journal, a story ran titled: "Squirrel Bites

Woman; how can you prevent it from happening to you?"

Within the news piece, Robbie Slack, a Jefferson County Animal Control Officer, was inaccurately named "Ricky Slack."

The news staff apologizes for this misprint and any confusion it might have caused.

As a piece of good news, the offending squirrel has been given a clean bill of health and released.



Compiled by John Willoughby

tion to help people and especially the kids," said Parton.

Bodhi was revived and given oxygen by firefighters in the lobby of the Police station.

West Yorkshire, had been writing to a death row inmate and took part in a Christmas card "swap" organized by a website called Prisonsontalk. Phelen, who is a bus driver, says her husband may be eligible to apply for parole as soon as two years.

stead, he decided to open a family-run woodworking business in his son's memory. "Music is a big part of my life obviously," said Morgan. "But I don't know, there's something very spiritual about time with yourself and a knife and a piece of wood." The Gallery at Morgan Farms, in Dickson, Tn., produces organic items and products from reclaimed, repurposed and recycled materials.

Ohio: An Ohio woman who was eating Planters nuts last month claims that when she was finishing her snack, she bit into a human tooth instead of a cashew. The woman said she reached out to Planters, a division of Kraft Foods Group, Inc., and played phone tag for a few days before subsequently awaiting a response for three weeks. "This was very traumatic to me considering my phobia of teeth," said the woman, adding she will no longer eat peanuts as "they make me sick to my stomach."

Chicago: A 12 year old Chicago Blackhawks fan, who has muscular dystrophy was granted his wish on Tuesday, March 6, to practice with his favorite ice hockey team. "He's been wanting to do this. He just wants to be a Hawk so bad, and today was very special because he's always [like], 'Mom, can we go to the game? Mom, can we meet the guys?' So today was just a wonderful day," said the boy's mother. Berg was able to score a goal during a practice game and even played a prank on Blackhawks player, Jonathan Toews.

Texas: A British mom married a double-murderer serving 75 years in a Texas jail after the two became pen pals. Heike Phelen hopes she and William Matthew Schiffer, both 49, will one day live together outside the razor-topped walls. The couple met by chance when Phelen, from

Tennessee: After country music star Craig Morgan lost his son, Jerry, in a boating accident in 2016, he didn't turn to music. In-

Washington D.C.: Legendary country singer Dolly Parton has donated a lot of books to children over the years through her literacy nonprofit, and on Tuesday, March 6, she gave the Library of Congress her program's landmark 100 millionth book. Parton said Imagination Library, the nonprofit organization she began in 1996, is one of the things that makes her feel so proud. "It makes me feel proud of who I am, where I'm from and the fact that I am in a posi-

Massachusetts: Authorities in Massachusetts are being recognized for their heroic work on Sunday, March 4, to save the life of a nine week old puppy. According to a report, Megan Vitale ran into the police station shortly after noon, saying her Saint Bernard pup, named Bodhi, was choking on food. Officers found the puppy was not breathing and "limp and unresponsive."

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 County Sheriff's Office, Monticello Police Department and Florida Highway Patrol sent their law officers out to Jefferson Somerset Academy and Aucilla Christian Academy to use the schools' spring break emptiness for training exercises.

The Madison County Sheriff's Office's Special Emergency Response Team (SERT) came to Jefferson County to oversee the training.

Starting at 8 a.m. on Wednesday, March 14, officers and deputies were instructed and drilled on how to engage in a proper search and clearing of a school under lockdown, in the scenario of an active

shooter. Staying throughout the majority of their day, training in and out of different classrooms, committing the actions into habit, Jefferson County's law enforcement proved their dedication to ensuring the safety and wellbeing of the students, teachers and staff of the local schools, as well as the officers who respond to calls.



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Officers from all local law enforcement agencies were present at the training on March 14. Pictured, from left to right, are: Inv. Dustin Matthews, Jefferson County Sheriff's Office; a Department of Corrections officer; Sgt. Dennis Curry, Department of Corrections; and Assistant Warden Thomas Hester, Jefferson Correctional Institute. In the background, officers from FHP wait.



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Madison County Sheriff's Office SERT Team took lead in the training session for Jefferson County law enforcement. While all officers hope to never need the skills and techniques they expanded upon during the training, readiness and proactive tactics are required to ensure the safety of the community they are responsible for. Officers from the Jefferson Correctional Institute, Madison County Sheriff's Office, Florida Highway Patrol and deputies from the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office were all present.



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Deputy Jacob Freeman (left) and Dep. Brandon Ryland (center) work as a two-man team during the training on March 14 while a Madison County Sheriff's Office SERT team member, Brad Johnson (right), evaluates their form and tactics.



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Officers and deputies trained in pairs of two, sets of three, and as single-member teams. Familiarizing themselves with how to handle a school shooting when alone, or in pairs of two or three will help ensure officer safety and efficiency for the sake of preparedness. Pictured, from left to right, are: Joshua Shelton, Department of Corrections; Jason McDonald, Department of Corrections; and Cpl. Toby Ward, Jefferson County Sheriff's Office.



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To prevent accidents or mishaps, all officers and deputies were required to be unarmed during the training session. Madison County's SERT officers searched every individual who entered the school.



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Trainers from the Madison County Sheriff's Office SERT watch as MPD's Patrolman James Bennet (back) and JCISO's Dep. Colby Bethae drill through the training exercises. Speed, accuracy and form were all evaluated and drilled in by the SERT officers during Jefferson County's training session.

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Monticello Police Department's Ptl. James Bennett (front) takes the lead in clearing and securing a classroom during the March 14 training, while Jefferson County Sheriff's Office Dep. Colby Bethae (back) takes second position.



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Back to back, Dep. Brandon Ryland (left) and Cpl. Toby Ward (right) exit a classroom after having cleared it during a two-person training routine.



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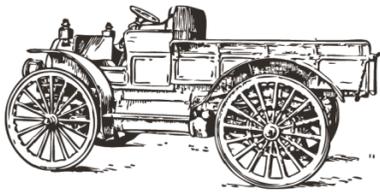
Dep. Anthony Adamczyk (left) and Cpl. Toby Ward (right) drill for exiting a cleared room during the training session at Jefferson Somerset Academy.



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Department of Corrections' Joshua Shelton steps into a classroom at Jefferson Somerset Academy during the training session at the school. Officers from all local law enforcement agencies were included in the training.

WAY BACK WHEN



March 16, 1928

Miss **Gladys Keen** of Monticello is obtaining practical experience in teaching this semester at Florida State College through teaching at the college demonstration school.

March 16, 1948

Bobby and **G.T. DeVane**, long time residents of Monticello, last Saturday opened the new Texaco Service Station on N. Jefferson Street.

March 16, 1958

A stage version of "Womanless Wedding" said to be entirely new and different is schedule to be presented by men of the Aucilla PTA on Friday, March 14.

There will be covered dish supper March 18 at Masonic Temple in honor of Grand Instructor Mrs. **Margaret Hamby** of Perry.

Eastern Star members who motored to Perry were Worthy Matron, Mrs. **Clara Keen**, Mrs. **Lucy Mae Thompson**, Mrs. **Myrtle Shuman**, Mrs. **Dollie R. Fountain**, Mrs. **Emma Dyer**, Mrs. **Carolyn Ward**, Mr. and Mrs. **John Large**.

March 16, 1968

Stuart Simpson has been reappointed to a two-year term of the Florida Agricultural Advisory Committee, representing the Florida Seed industry.

Police Chief **Alfred Foster**, who coordinated the effort to circulate the petitions urging Dr. **J.B. Brinson, Jr.**, to keep his medical practice in Jefferson County, reported Monday that 1,531 citizens had signed the petition.

March 16, 1978

Low salaries appear to be a factor in the high turnover rate at the Monticello Fire Department. At the present time, the city has three fulltime firemen who have been employed for one month. The radio-dispatcher has been with the squad for six months.

Visitors will have a special opportunity to tour a wide variety of Monticello homes on April 8 and 9 when the Jefferson Historical Association presents its annual Tour of Homes.

After purchasing the building which housed the old Badcock store on the Courthouse Circle with the hope of building a courthouse annex on the site, County Commissioners now have no immediate plans for the building due to lack of money.

March 16, 1988

The City/County Fire Committee elected City Councilman **Ernest Larry, Sr.** to be a chairman. He will chair a committee currently made up of County Commissioners **Gene Cooksey** and **Walter Edwards**, City Councilman **Roy Gray**, and citizen member **Chester Cox**.

More than 150 county students went to the Leon County Civic Center last Friday to participate in the fifth Annual Big Bend Very Special Arts Festival.

The construction of two tire playgrounds at the elementary school was completed over the weekend by close to 200 volunteers.

March 18, 1988

Thanks to a law recently passed by Congress, the Federal Highway Administration now requires that a portion of the money spent on landscaping along certain roads be used to plant native wildflowers.

March 13, 1998

Jefferson County High School Principal **Kelly Kilpatrick** announces the honor roll for the fourth semester. Three students have earned all A's this term. They are **Leola Tucker**, grade 10; **Christina Fountain** and **Mary Verzaal**, grade 12.

March 18, 1998

Recreation Park Director **Kevin Aman** announced today that he is a candidate for the Group 1 seat on the City Council.

Pastor of the Elizabeth Baptist Church, Dr. **William H. Floyd**, of Monticello, recently completed all academic requirements for the Doctor of Theology (Th.D.) degree at the Andersonville Baptist Seminary.

Tony Massey, a junior at Jefferson County High School, has been selected by the Otto Walker Post #49 to attend Florida American Legion's Boys State Program, schedule June 21-28 at FSU.

March 14, 2008

Mildred Bythewood Thompson, daughter of the late **Sallie** and **Theodore Bythewood** of Monticello, received her 30-year service award key with the FBI.

After a year of sewing, quilting, and selling chances to win a queen-sized quilt, the Crazy Quilters of Monticello awarded **Jeri Kimbrel**, area field instructor for Paws for a Cause, a check for \$1,200 to go toward the purchase of an assistance dog for a local resident with a disability.

Bobby Plaines is the first place winner of the Guided Turkey Hunt fundraiser sponsored by the VMS Relay For Life team and Avalon Plantation, for the American Cancer Society.

March 19, 2008

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 251 and Ladies Auxillary presented their annual awards on Saturday, Feb. 23, including the Member of the Year award presented to **Linda Kearsse**, the only female commander.

Thank You!

We the family, Thank each of you for your prayers, visits, thoughts, contributions and all acts of kindness shared throughout the illness and subsequent passing of our dearly beloved, Mother Alberta Leonard Barnhart. We extend a special appreciation to Willard Barnhart, Jr., DaVita East, Big Bend Hospice, Tallahassee Cancer Institute, and all other involved healthcare facilities and doctors. We pray that God will continue to bless and keep you in His care.

The Leonard Family

Fifth fundraising fish fry is today

Ashley Hunter, ECB Publishing, Inc.

Today, on Friday, March 16, from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m., the Jefferson County Kiwanis will be holding a fundraising fish fry at the Jefferson County Senior Citizen Center.

This fundraiser is the fifth in a string of campaigns to raise funds to help bring financial security to the senior center.

Come on out, buy a plate, and help support a much needed organization within the Jefferson County community!

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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March 16

On Friday, March 16, from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m., the Jefferson County Kiwanis will be holding a fundraising fish fry at the Jefferson Senior Citizens Center.

March 17

HUGHES Community Center meets at the Teen Center, on Tiger Lane, at 4 p.m. every Saturday. All youth and parents are encouraged to attend. For more information contact Coordinator Lamar Hughes at (850) 300-9828 or (850) 300-8587 or go to hughesc.org or hughes01lamar@gmail.com.

March 18

RSVP ends for the "Christ in the Passover - a traditional Jewish Seder" event at Elizabeth Baptist Church, located at 4124 Bassett Dairy Rd., in Monticello. This presentation, hosted by Jews For Jesus, will not hold an admission fee, but space is limited. For more information, call the church office at (850) 997-8444 or email secretary@ebcmonticello.com.

March 18

Springfield A.M.E. Church will celebrate their Annual Family and Friend Day on this Sunday, March 18, at 3 p.m. We'd love to have you worship with us on this occasion. Our speaker will be Elder Lisa Steven from Faith Chapter Holiness Church in Tallahassee, FL. The pastor of Springfield A.M.E. Church is the Rev. Gloria Cox. Thank you for coming. Sponsored by Rev. Lucille Graham. The Committee thanks you. Rev. Lucille Graham. (850) 997-533.

March 19

EOC Amateur Radio Operators net call at 8 p.m. on Mondays on repeater WX4JEF (145.430, minus offset, pl tone 94.8) All are invited to tone in and licensed operators are urged to check in. For text alerts of Club news and events to your smart phone text JEFFARES to 84483. For information contact Andy Rudd at (850) 694-6006 or arudd@att.net.

March 19

American Legion Post 234 meets at 5

p.m. on third Monday at the Teen Center on Tiger Lane. For more information contact Commander Mack Benjamin at (850) 997-5977.

March 19

Jefferson County Lions Club meets at 1 p.m. on the first Monday at the Brick House Eatery and 5:30 p.m. on the third Monday at the county health department annex. For more information about this service organization and its fundraising efforts, contact Lion Debbie at (850) 997-0901.

March 20

Knitters & Crocheters Group meets at 10 a.m. on the first and third Tuesday at the RJ Bailar Public Library. Bring your projects to work. Someone is available to help. Contact Nancy Banks at (850) 948-2829 for more information.

March 20

Quit Smoking classes from 5-7 p.m. on the third Tuesday at the Jefferson County RJ Bailar Public Library, 375 South Water Street. To register call (850) 224-9340.

March 20

Jefferson County Humane Society general meeting at 6:30 p.m. on third Tuesday at Wolf Creek Pet Adoption Center, 2123 East Washington Street. Call (850) 342-0244 for more information or to volunteer.

March 20

Jefferson County Republican Party meets on the third Tuesday at 6 p.m. for dinner and 7 p.m. for meeting at Monticello/Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce, 420 West Washington. For more information contact Colin Barton at colinabarton@gmail.com, P.O. Box 19, Monticello, FL. 32345. Reserve by calling 850-728-3858.

March 20

Jefferson County RJ Bailar Public Library Baby Story Time with Courtney Nicolou (ages up to 2) at 10 a.m. on Tuesdays. For information call (850)-342-0205.

Film Screening at Senior Center

Ashley Hunter, ECB Publishing, Inc.

Presented by the Alzheimer's Project, Inc. and the Jefferson Senior Citizens Center, stirring documentary "Alive Inside" will be shown at the senior center, located at 1155 N. Jefferson St., in Monticello, on Tuesday, March 20.

"Alive Inside" follows social worker Dan Cohen, founder of the nonprofit organization, Music & Memory, as he fights against a broken healthcare system to demonstrate music's ability to combat memory loss and restore a deep sense of self to those suffering from it.

The film is the recipient of multiple awards, include the winner of the 2014 Sundance Film Festival Audience Award, the 2014 Calgary Film Festival Audience Award, the 2014 Milano International Film Festival

Best Documentary, of the 2014 Seattle Film Festival Golden Space Needle Award, the 2014 Sedona Film Festival Audience Award and the 2014 Fort Myers Beach Film Festival Best Documentary.

For the screening, there will be no admission cost, but the senior center will be providing snacks, refreshments and chili, and those who plan to eat are asked to leave a \$5 donation. The screening will last from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

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5 Tests for Diabetics



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If you have prediabetes or diabetes, there are tests that you should have regularly done to see how well your diabetes is being managed and if there are changes that need to be made. If you have a history of diabetes in your family, you will also want to discuss these tests with your doctor because you have a higher risk for developing diabetes.

While this is not an all-inclusive list, there are 5 important tests to make sure are on your list when you talk with your doctor.

1. **A1C** – A1C measures how much glucose (sugar) is on your red blood cells. Red blood cells have an average life of 120 days. Glucose attaches to these cells and builds up. The A1C test basically looks at how much glucose is built up on the cells to give a picture of the average blood sugar levels over a 3 month period. If someone has high blood sugar regularly, there will be more glucose attached to the red blood cells.

According to the National Institute of Diabetes, a normal A1C should be 5.7 percent or less. A result of 5.7 percent to 6.4 percent can mean a diagnosis of prediabetes. 6.5 percent or above can mean a diagnosis of diabetes. A common A1C goal for someone with diabetes is to keep their A1C below 7 percent, but you will want to discuss goals with your doctor. This test should be done every 3 – 4 months for diabetics and at least once a year for those with pre-diabetes.

2. **Blood Pressure** – People with diabetes are at higher risk for high blood pressure which can cause heart attack and stroke. According to the Joslin Diabetes Center, a common target goal for someone with diabetes is below 130/80. An ideal normal blood pressure is below 120/80.

The top number is called the systolic and that is the pressure when your heart is contracting to pump blood throughout your body. The bottom number is called diastolic and that is the pressure when the heart is resting. When blood pressure is high, your heart is working very hard to do its job which takes a toll.

and waste from your blood. Healthy kidneys filter at a rate around 100 milliliters per minute. A general goal for diabetics is to stay above 60. An annual eGFR blood test can help catch issues in the kidneys.

4. **LDL Cholesterol** – Diabetics are at a higher risk for heart attack and stroke so keeping “bad” LDL cholesterol down is important. A general target goal is to keep LDL cholesterol below 100 and to have your cholesterol checked at least once a year.

5. **Eye Exam** – Having high sugar levels in the blood can cause damage to organs and nerves. In particular, uncontrolled diabetes can cause damage in the eyes called diabetic retinopathy which can cause vision loss or blindness. Having an eye exam every year can catch issues early and help prevent severe vision problems.

You also want to see your dentist twice a year because diabetics are more likely to have gum disease.

For more information on health and money management topics, contact the Jefferson County Extension Office.

Also, don't forget the Extension Office offers free tax preparation at the library for low to moderate income families. Contact the Jefferson County Library at (850) 342-0205 to make your appointment.

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Jews for Jesus to speak on March 25

JEW FOR JESUS

Ashley Hunter, ECB Publishing, Inc.

Elizabeth Baptist Church, located at 4124 Bassett Dairy Road, invites all to hear a presentation given by Jews for Jesus on Sunday, March 25 at 6 p.m.

The topic will be “Christ in the Passover – A traditional Jewish Seder” and a supper will be served during the presentation. RSVP is required by Sunday, March 18 but admission is free.

For more information and to RSVP, call the church's office at (850) 997-8444 or email secretary@ebcmonticello.com.

Jews for Jesus is an agency that proclaims Jesus is the Messiah of Israel and Savior of the world. The late Moishe Rosen, a Jew who has believed in Jesus for over 35 years, founded the organization. However, Dr. Rosen was quick to point out that he did not “start” Jews for Jesus.

“Jews for Jesus began about 2,000 years ago, around 32 C.S., give or take a year. Jesus' first disciples were Jewish and there have been some Jewish people who believed in him ever since.”

The organization has permanent branches in eight North American cities (San Francisco, Los Angeles, Boston, Chicago, Toronto, New York City, Washington D.C., and Ft. Lauderdale) as well as over 127 volunteer chapters spanning some 41 states and five countries.

The group's international branches are headquartered in Johannesburg, London, Paris, Odessa, Moscow, Essen, Rio de Janeiro, Kharkov, Dnepropetrovsk and Tel Aviv.

To the Jews for Jesus, believing in Jesus makes sense in light of the Jewish Bible and in light of their experiences as believers. For those who argue that Christianity contradicts the meaning of Judaism, the Jews for Jesus say there are answers, which their representative will happily discuss after the presentation.

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THIS WEEK at THE MOVIES

The smile is still on my face

By Paul Hall

Imagination. It doesn't only help us to create different worlds in theory, but imagination also allows us to unlock the power that is inside of us and break the barriers that stifle growth. In the new film *A Wrinkle in Time*, we are all transported to a new world and filled with hope and promise.

Meg Murry (Storm Reid) has grown up without her father (Chris Pine). As the anniversary of her dad's disappearance arrives, she is trying to do her best just to survive school and people who don't understand. But life is rough for Meg and her younger brother Charles Wallace (Deric McCabe).

Charles' mind is more open to his environment than Meg's. And when the young boy introduces Meg to his new friends Mrs. Whatsit (Reese Witherspoon) and Mrs. Who (Mindy Kaling), she is slightly baffled but also extremely curious. Who are these strange characters and why do they keep appearing? But when Mrs. Which (Oprah Winfrey) appears to her, Meg takes the leap and finds that her mother (Gugu Mbatha-Raw) and father's research led to dad's disappearance. And now she is going on a fantastic journey to unleash her warrior and find her father, but can she?

A couple of things in the interest of full disclosure: I'm the proud parent of a teenage girl and can relate to Meg and the challenges she faces. I can also relate to the boundless imagination of youth. I wanted to go on the journey with Meg and I dove in with both feet. I also come from the perspective of not having read the book on which this film is based. That said, I really enjoyed this experience.

Director Ava DuVernay has crafted an amazingly detailed environment that we get to explore. It is on this journey that we are met with color and darkness along with good and evil.

And her lead actress, Reid, shines among the cavalcade of stars in the film.

It's not a perfect ride. There are some plot points that abruptly end and a story that is left unresolved, but I found myself truly attached to Meg. I wanted her to be successful and cheered her on as we waited for the warrior within to take charge.

A Wrinkle in Time is a film that will open the viewer's eyes—it did mine. The inner child decided to go on a ride to this far-off place, and the smile has still not left my face.

Paul's Grade: B-

A Wrinkle in Time

Rated PG
Stars: Storm Reid, Oprah Winfrey, Reese Witherspoon
Director: Ava DuVernay

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NEW THIS WEEK

Opening on March 16, 2018

I Can Only Imagine

Rated PG
Stars: J. Michael Finley, Dennis Quaid, Cloris Leachman
Directors: Andrew Erwin, Jon Erwin

The story behind the song of the same name by the band MercyMe. Lead singer Bart Millard was inspired to write this song after overcoming his childhood and seeing God's miracle of redemption.

Love, Simon

Rated PG-13
Stars: Nick Robinson, Josh Duhamel, Jennifer Garner
Director: Greg Berlanti

Simon is living the typical high-school life: friends, homework, teachers, a quirky principal and lots of iced coffee. But Simon has one big secret he hasn't told anyone: He's gay. Coping with longing for love and trying to keep his secret will make Simon's senior year difficult.

7 Days in Entebbe

Rated PG-13
Stars: Daniel Brühl, Rosamund Pike, Eddie Marsan
Director: José Padilha

Inspired by the true events of the 1976 Air France flight that was hijacked flying from Tel Aviv to Paris and forced to land in Entebbe, Uganda. This is the story of one of the most daring rescue missions ever attempted.

Tomb Raider

Rated PG-13
Stars: Alicia Vikander, Dominic West, Walton Goggins
Director: Roar Uthaug

Lara Croft is a fiercely independent woman whose father vanished when she was a teen. Now she is determined to forge her own path and leaves everything behind to find out what happened to him, embarking on an adventure of epic proportions.



ASK MATT

BY MATT ROUSH TV Guide Senior Critic

NBC backlogs The Brave, Elementary slated for April

Question: Is *The Brave* on NBC gone for good? —Judy

Matt Roush: It's gone for now, as NBC didn't pick up the series beyond the original 13-episode order. Part of that was a matter of inventory, as *Good Girls* and other midseason series were waiting in the wings. And not getting the back-nine order is not necessarily a kiss of death anymore. Still, renewal is not guaranteed, and we probably won't know if it's coming back—and if it is, what its night and time slot will be—until NBC announces its new schedule in May.



Question: I catch your column every week in the TV Weekly, but have never seen (or perhaps missed) any inquiry about the disappearance of the show *Elementary*. It was a great show, with intriguing mysteries, and a neat new take on Holmes and Watson, but it seems to have vanished without any word as to what happened or WHY. Any talk amongst "insiders"? —Carolyn

Matt Roush: CBS held the new season of *Elementary* for midseason, and it was recently announced that it will be one of the later spring arrivals, taking over for *Scorpion* on Mondays at 10/9c once that series wraps. Premiere date is set for April 30. A long wait to be sure, but if the entire season runs intact, at least you'll have something new to watch on some summer Mondays.

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

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Jefferson Somerset makes changes to increase safety and security

Story Submitted

Jefferson-Somerset K-12 School, under the leadership of Principal Cory Oliver, continues upgrading safety procedures for students. It weighs heavy on everyone's hearts when we here the tragic news of recent school shootings and senseless loss of life that takes place at the hands of a few selfish and disturbed individuals.

Schools should be a sacred place where students

feel safe to build positive relationships, discover who they want to become and work toward building a future where they feel safe and secure.

Weapons, drugs, gangs, bullying, fighting and severe lack of respect for authority, individuals and for life itself have no place in the school. It is more important than ever for parents, students and teachers to feel safe at school. Because of this, the faculty and administration spend countless hours and significant budget dollars to continually upgrade and increase the

school's safety and security of the students.

Many recent upgrades and changes are obvious: school uniforms, security staff in all pavilions and common areas, professional development for staff, the addition of 212 cameras, new fencing and traffic patterns, upgraded radio communications, updated background checking devices, organization of the daily routes and schedules to minimize opportunities for negative interactions. Jefferson-Somerset is consistently upgrading and updating facilities to make them as secure as possible.

One huge addition recently implemented was a team of experts called the IMPACT Team. The IMPACT Team is seven additional counselors, behavior therapists and behavior specialists working with Jefferson-Somerset K-12 students on a daily basis.

The school administration has been working with local law enforcement agencies all year: a school site safety audit was completed. Recent changes were implemented based on the recommendations of the SWAT team that came in to visit the school. More changes to the school are still in the works and ongoing. The school is awaiting the delivery of a security booth to be placed at the front gates. They are looking into possible route changes for the buses. Only clear backpacks and bags will be allowed on campus next year. New updated electronic gates, more staffing upgrades and training sessions, revised safety plans and motivational coaching for students and staff will be among even more steps implemented in the near future.

"The answer to conflict cannot be settled with violence. We need everyone in Jefferson County to make this possible. We can no longer point fingers and assume someone else is responsible. We must work as a cohesive team to ensure each child has the opportunity to succeed and so that every student feels safe and secure in our schools," wrote Principal Oliver said in a recent letter to parents.

Please see the school's website for more updates, exciting news and events, and to see if Jefferson-Somerset K-12 is the right place for your child!
www.somersetjefferson.org.

JROTC brings home honors



ECB Publishing, Inc. Photo By Ashley Hunter, March 6

Jefferson County's Jr. Army Reserve Officers' Training Corps placed first in four different Exhibitions during the 2018 Drill Regional Championships. In the front, pictured from left to right, are: Jamiya Steen, Tahja Chavis, Yu'Nijah Cooper, Christian Steen and Shaundra Buggs. In the second row, pictured from left to right, are: Nicky Seaton, Mary Harris, School Board Member Shirley Washington, JaMichael Steen, Allen Washington, School Board Member Sandra Saunders and Elementary Curriculum Director Courtney Oliver. In the third row, pictured from left to right, are: Vice Principal Andre Gainey, Stephanie Roberts, Middle/High Curriculum Director Rachel Kravitz, Tavoris Tice, Anthony Seaton, Matthew Steen, Principal Cory Oliver and Natasha Majors. In the back, pictured from left to right, are: 1SG Terry Walker (ARMY/JROTC Instructor), Johnathan Steen, Damarious Alexander, Jayshawn Francis, Mark Vinson, Elijah Bellamy and Marshaun Harris.

Ashley Hunter,
ECB Publishing, Inc.

On Saturday, March 3, The Jefferson Somerset Academy Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps (JROTC) went to the Drill Regional Championships... and before the day was done, had garnered medals and trophies for placing first place in four different exhibitions.

"Most of these kids, they do something else [as well]," said JROTC 1st Sgt. Walker. "They do track, they do softball, baseball, basketball, flag football. They are all doing something else. All those schools we competed against, that's all they do- drill."

For the Platoon Armed Exhibition, with Christian Steen as commander, Jamiya Steen, Yu'Nijha Cooper, Allen Washington, Jamichael Steen, Matthew Steen, Anthony Seaton, Damarious Alexander, Mark Vinson, Johnathan Steen, Jayshawn Francis, Phillip Harris, Tavoris Tice and Elijah Bellamy competed. Jefferson County won first place in the Platoon Armed Exhibition.

For the Male Squad Armed Exhibition, with Tavoris Tice as commander, Damarious Alexander, Allen Washington, Elijah Bellamy, Anthony Seaton, Jamichael Steen and Matthew Steen

competed and won first place.

For Male Mixed Armed Squad Regulation, with Christian Steen as commander, Damarious Alexander, Allen Washington, Elijah Bellamy, Anthony Seaton, Jamichael Steen and Matthew Steen competed and took home third place.

Mark Vinson and Christian Steen won first place in the Dual Exhibition and Tavoris Tice won first place in

the Individual Exhibition.

"It's not not an easy thing to do. It shows the credit of these kids...when you put pressure on them in the right way, they respond," said Sgt. Walker.

On April 6-8, the Jefferson County JROTC will be headed to the State Championships to compete against a wider pool of schools and JROTC groups. "We've been proud to

be able to take these kids back to state six years in a row," said Sgt. Walker. This will be the first year under the new school system as Jefferson Somerset Academy that the JROTC will be competing. "This is history [in the making] here," adds Sgt. Walker. "We've had the support of the school, of the teachers, and of the parents and the leadership of our staff. I appreciate [the] support."



Photo Submitted

Winning first place in four different ROTC exhibitions, Jefferson County's JROTC won an assortment of medals and trophies during the Saturday, March 3 Regional Championships. Pictured, from left to right, are: 10th graders Allen Washington, Anthony Seaton, Damarious Alexander and 12th grader Jayshawn Francis.

Students and agriculture at ACA

Ashley Hunter, *ECB Publishing, Inc.*

On Friday, Feb. 23, the students at Aucilla Christian Academy were able to delve into the realm of agriculture thanks to many of the local farming and forestry groups within Jefferson County.

At 8 a.m., the seven groups gathered to set up their various tents, displays and activities so that by 9 a.m., everything was prepared for the students.

From honeybee hives, lambs, big farm equipment, to crafts, a giant cow and kettle-popped popcorn, the students were able to learn about animal husbandry, beekeeping, winter

vegetables, fire safety in our forests, corn products in everyday lives and the dairy industry.

Spending 20 minutes at each booth provided every student with the time to learn and discuss farming and forestry with the professionals, who in turn insured that the next generation knows the importance that our local farms and forests play in our local community and society.

Florida Georgia Citrus donated satsuma juice for the students to try, as well as coloring books for the students to take home, and Bonnie Plants donated a cabbage plant for every student to take home and grow on their own.



Photo Submitted
Members of the Jefferson County Farm Bureau popped popcorn for the students as part of the Farm Bureau's demonstration on the usage of corn in everyday products. Pictured, from left to right, are: Sarah Fulford, Ernest Fulford, Lance Braswell and Mac Finlayson.



Photo Submitted
The Jefferson County Farm Bureau is surrounded by students from Aucilla Christian Academy while Greg Harden explains to the students how corn is used in products the children use every day.



Photo Submitted
The Florida Forestry Service attended the event to relay the importance of our local forests and explain how to properly care for our woodlands through fire prevention. Pictured, left to right, are: Justin Halpin, Dallas Beckett and Sean Allen.



Photo Submitted
Becky Hogg of Full Moon Farm (standing) brought her knowledge of beekeeping to the event on Feb. 23 as she shared information about her bees and hives while importing the significance bees have in farming and wildlife. Students were able to examine an empty hive for an insight into the life of bees.

Photo Submitted
Students loved the booth set up by Golden Acres Ranch's Bobbie Golden (center)! The lambs and goats were a fuzzy and fun attraction.



Photo Submitted
Sean Allen, with Florida Forestry Service, supervises students as they get up close to the back of a forestry vehicle.



Photo Submitted
Danielle Sprague (left) and John Lilly (right) from the UF Extension Office with the UF IFAS Extension Office were set up to discuss winter vegetables with the students and assisted the children with various crafts.

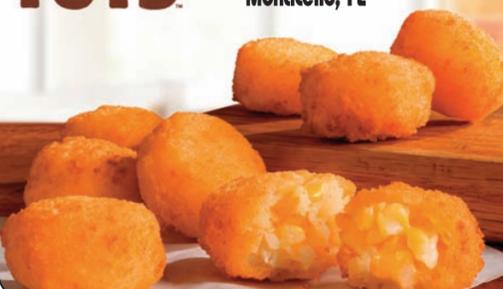
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JEFFERSON COUNTY KINGS OF SPRING HOLD ANNUAL BANQUET

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The Jefferson County Kings of Spring Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation (NWTf), held their annual banquet at Willow Pond, Saturday March 10. Members and guests were served a delicious BBQ buffet meal.

The doors opened at 5 p.m. for all those who wanted to come early and browse through the many items on the silent auction table. The raffle booths were also open to the attendees ready to buy a chance on one of the many guns that were being given away during the night. Live auction items were also out on display for early viewing.

Before dinner began, all attending veterans were asked to go to the front of the room and were given a standing ovation. They were each presented with a token of appreciation for their service.

After the dinner blessing and the Pledge of Allegiance, dinner was served. All attendees partook in potato salad, cole slaw, BBQ chicken, pulled pork, beans, and drinks.

Following supper, the Youth Turkey Hunt winners were announced and presented their awards. First place went to Wyatt Stafford; second place, Harleigh Derrickson (who actually killed two turkeys with one shot); and third place, Ava Mercer.

The Jefferson County scholarship winner, Stewart Dalzell, was also brought to the front and presented with a \$500 scholarship check for the college of his choice.

Next was the live auction, headed up by Ken Dayton. The auction is always a big highlight of the evening. Items ranging from framed prints, outdoor yard art, homemade turkey calls, trunks, duffle bags and vacation trips were auctioned off during the evening.

Immediately following the live auction, the most anticipated business matter was then at hand; the winning tickets were drawn from all the raffle games and the winning numbers were called out. The lucky winners came forward and were presented with their new guns.

The Jefferson County Kings of Spring Board of Directors includes: President, DJ Swilley; Treasurer, Hillary Hodges; and Secretary, Mallory Rusinowski.

Each county group of The National Wild Turkey Federation (such as Jefferson's) is made up of four departments: Regular members, Women and Outdoors; Wheelin' Sportsmen; and JAKES (Juniors Acquiring Knowledge, Ethics and Sportsmanship.) The NWTf is the largest conservation group in the United States. There are over 600,000 members nationwide and 90 percent of every dollar spent at the Jefferson County banquet goes back into the Conservation Development.

For more information on the Jefferson County Kings of Spring National Wild Turkey Federation, readers may call Hillary Hodges at (850) 556-6811, or log on to www.kingsofspring.org.



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Stewart Dalzell was the Jefferson County Kings of Spring 2018 Scholarship Winner. He was presented with \$500 to go towards the college of his choice. Stewart is pictured accepting his award from Hanna Hodges.



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All Kings of Springs NWTf Banquet attendees were treated to a delicious bar-b-que dinner of cole slaw, bar-b-que chicken, pulled pork, baked beans and drinks.



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Paul Ragans is pictured as he pulls a knife out the "hog" raffle game. A \$20 bill won the choice of one knife and one ticket to be entered into a raffle for a rifle.



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The Jefferson County Kings of Spring Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation (NWTf) held their annual Youth Turkey Hunt in conjunction with their annual banquet. The winners of the hunt were (pictured left to right): First place Wyatt Stafford; second place, Harleigh Derrickson (who actually killed two turkeys with one shot); and third place, Ava Mercer.



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Kenny Barker had the honor of presenting JT Surles with a framed turkey picture for being one of the signature sponsors. Pictured, from left to right, are: Kenny Barker, Warren Barker, JT Surles, James Hodges and DJ Swilley.



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Brad Hodges and Katie Young served as the night's bartenders for all the Kings of Spring banquet attendees.



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Fran Surles is pictured holding her brand new Kimber 9 mm pistol that she won Saturday night at the Kings of Spring NWTF Banquet.



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No local banquet could be the success it is without the volunteers. Volunteers are the backbone to every successful event. On hand during the recent NWTF banquet was Hillary Hodges (left), Jefferson County Kings of Spring Treasurer and DJ Swilley (right), Jefferson County Kings of Spring President.



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Jackson Kendrick was the proud winner of a brand new Stoeger 12 ga. shotgun during last weekend's Jefferson County NWTF banquet.



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Daniel Woods is pictured holding his brand new Mossberg 300 WinMag that he won during Saturday night's Turkey Federation banquet.



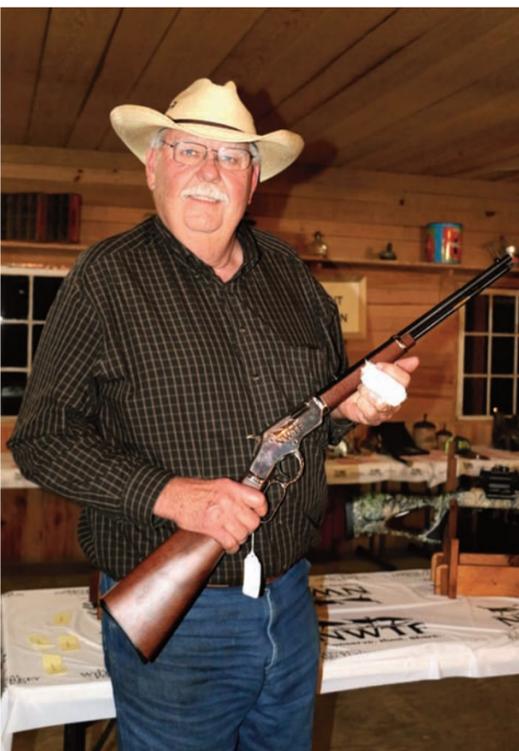
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Doreen Hodges (left) was the proud winner of a brand new AR-15 rifle. She was presented her rifle by James Hodges (right).



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Sheriff Mac McNeill proudly shows off the "Treasure Chest" prize he won during the annual Jefferson County NWTF banquet. His package included a Yeti Cooler, hat, and raffle tickets for a change to win the AR-15.



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Darrell Liford is pictured holding his new Stoeger 22 rifle that he won during Saturday night's Turkey Federation banquet.



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Eddie Hatch (left) presents Jarod Hayer (right) with a 6.5 Creedmore rifle that he won in one of the many raffles.



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Hanna Hodges (far left), Kings of Spring volunteer, helps serve tea to Ava Mercer and her father Joseph Mercer.



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JT Surles was one of the lucky winners of a NWTF raffle gun. Picture, left to right, are: JT Surles, Stewart Dalzell and Ted Nixon.



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Ken Parsons stands behind the "Summer Grill Set" he won during the recent NWTF banquet. He won the raffle that granted him the pick of choice from the live auction items. His package included a new grill, Yeti Cooler, and grilling accessories.

These plants practice self defense

Submitted by Les Harrison
 UF/IFAS Wakulla County Extension Director



Broomsedge often blends into the winter background with soft earth tones, but will turn green in the spring with new growth.

Broomsedge

The oft quoted adage “the best defense is a good offence” has been credited to a variety of political and military leaders and football coaches. Almost every leader, thinker and pontificator from Julius Cesar to Bobby Bowden has had some version of this strategic concept.

The concept has been repeatedly employed and proven in a variety of situations. Simply put, the defender repels the attacker by attacking first. Long before this concept was tried on the fields of competition, one plant in Jefferson County confirmed the efficacy of this policy.

Andropogon virginicus is a species of grass known as broomsedge. It is a common site in pastures, fallow fields, and under pine trees. The plant stands commonly in isolated clumps, apparently a social outcast in the plant world.

The truth, however, is a somewhat different. Broomsedge employs allelochemicals to hinder its leafy competitors and establish itself as the dominant species on its territory.

Allelochemicals are a biological phenomenon by which organisms produce one or more compounds which effect the growth, survival, and reproduction of other like organisms. There can be either positive or negative allelopathy depending on the needs of the plant in question.

In the case of broomsedge, negative allelopathic effects are an important part of plant defense against opponents which may consume nutrients or repel a colonization attempt.

Broomsedge is a perennial grass easily identified from its narrow clumps of stems up to about a yard at maximum height. Its stems and leaves are green when growing but turning purplish to orange in the late summer and autumn. In late autumn and winter, the tufts turn to a light straw color and resemble a broom. The extremely pliable texture of the leaves is the trait from which the name originates. Broomsedge foliage was used to construct brooms in the days before the handy household tools were commercially available.

This native plant produces large amounts of seeds small enough to disperse on the wind. This prolific seed producer has a high germination rate and an excellent seedling survival frequency.

This grass is successful in a wide range of local habitats, even thriving in poor soils. It favors acidic soils like those in most of Jefferson County under pines and oaks, or heavy clay.

This species is tolerant of the typical Florida wild-land fire cycle. It grows back quickly and more abundantly after a burn.

Broomsedge is considered weed pest by livestock producers who work to rid their pasture of it. It is less palatable and nutritious for cattle than most other forages.

One frequently used technique to suppress broomsedge in pastures is to spread lime. Over time lime raises the soils pH and makes for a less inviting environment for this plant.

The one commercial use attributed to this plant was as a packing material for bottled goods, including alcoholic beverages, before the advent of synthetic materials. As such, broomsedge was introduced as an invasive exotic to other parts of the world and became commonly known there as whiskey grass. While it appears passive, broomsedge is a stealth conqueror on the move to new ground.

To learn more about broomsedge in Jefferson County, contact your UF/IFAS Extension Jefferson County office at (850) 342-0187 or at <http://jefferson.ifas.ufl.edu>.



The sharp thorns on smilax vines are a deterrent to anyone or anything wishing to pass too close.

Smilax

Certainly, Sleeping Beauty’s narcoleptic respite was secured by this onerous weed. It is the very image of a noxious bramble which would be conjured up by an imaginative and resolute wicked witch.

The sinewy, winding tangle of vines studded with thorns resembling sharks teeth, only more of them and sharper, would easily deter all but the stout of heart in pursuit of a romantic ideal. The prince in the story had to have thick armor, a sharp sword and a real need-to-succeed to penetrate this thicket.

While smilax may not be deliberately guarding any princesses in Jefferson County, it can still put up an intimidating barrier to man and beast. Also known as green briar, cat briar and other sometimes graphic terms, the native plant thrives in this area.

In Greek mythology, Smilax was a wood nymph who was transformed into a bramble after the unfulfilled and tragic love of a mortal man. Her final form in this fable was a reflection of her prickly character.

Botanically, smilax is found in tropic to temperate zones. There are about 350 species worldwide and 20 domestically.

The plant is very vigorous and comes equipped with an enviable array of survival traits. It is ready to take every advantage to flourish and inhabit new territory even among the most hostile conditions.

Individual plants can withstand harsh treatment and environments. If burned or mowed to the soil’s surface, they will regenerate from a segmented rhizome root system. Rhizome roots are the subterranean stems which spread roots and runners from its bulbous root nodes.

If pulled up, the rhizome root system will separate at joints. Even the smallest piece of root left in the dirt will generate a new plant.

Smilax has the additional resource of extra-floral nectaries, nectar-producing glands physically separate from the flowers. These nectaries may function as an organ for the plant to rid itself of metabolic wastes and/or to attract beneficial insects for defense.

Ants are especially attracted to the extra-floral nectaries in smilax and may establish mounds close by. The ants defend the smilax from herbivores which eat the leaves, if the random grazer can get past the thorns.

In addition to spreading by its root system, smilax produces berries which contain a seed. The berries appear in late summer or early autumn and ripen to a blue-black or red color.

The berries are usually consumed in winter after the smilax loses its leaves. Birds and animals will deposit the undigested seed at a new site. Best chances for the seed to germinate occur after it is exposed to a freeze.

Smilax vines will climb up trees, fence posts, and any other stationary object to get better sun exposure. They have been known to reach over 30 feet in height, but do not tend to kill their host by shading out the sun.

Ants commonly use the vines as a readily available pathway on foraging trips. The ants may establish colonies in elevated locations courtesy of smilax vines.

Curiously, a Mexican species of smilax was the basis for the first soft drink, sarsaparilla. It seems even unpleasant weeds can be converted to popular product.

To learn more about smilax and its control, contact your UF/IFAS Jefferson Extension Office at (850) 342-0187 or <http://jefferson.ifas.ufl.edu>.



The bulbous smilax roots are easy to recognize. They send shoots in every direction and will soon produce a thicket.

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Pollen

It is a bane and curse to hay-fever sufferers without regard to their station in life. The agony plagues the victims night and day, at work and at rest, awake or asleep.

The sensation created is reminiscent of a sadistic medieval torture inflicted by leather hooded brutes. An invisible vise slowly and deliberately squeezes the heads of the ill-fated to a near eye-popping level of intensity.

It is all caused by a nearly invisible compound which occurs to excess in spring. Pollen, a sure sign spring is here, is a curse to some and a blessing to others.

Pollen is the plant produced powder containing the male half of the genes during the reproductive process. The grains have a hard coat which protects the cells during the process.

Pollen travels from the stamens to the pistil of flowering plants. In coniferous plants it moves from the male cone to the female cone. The delivery is accomplished on the wind, or by insects or animals which brush against the stamens.

The earliest historic records of pollen date back to the Devonian epoch about 400 million years ago. Pollen's rugged outer sheath provided the necessary resistance to the rigors of the fossilization.

Ancient pollen was produced in huge quantities and left an extensive fossil record. Many of the pollen grains were separated from their parent plant creating many mysteries yet to be resolved.

Pollen found at archeological sites and lodged on ancient textiles has assisted in identifying plant and trees which existed at specific times and locations. It provided hard evidence of plants and tree throughout history.

Pollens which initiate allergies are those from plants and trees that the pollen is dispersed by air currents. Not surprisingly. These plants produce

large quantities of lightweight pollen which is easily disbursed on the breezes.

Pine trees are the most likely Jefferson County culprits during early spring, but there are other contributors. Pollen grains of pines have a winged shape which improves its aerodynamic potential.

The fine airborne granules are easily inhaled. They subsequently come into contact with the sensitive respiratory passages.

As the season progresses, many other trees and plants will contribute the nasal overload. The pollen volume peaks again in the autumn with mainly weeds supplying the aggravating dust.

The insect world, primarily European Honeybees, view the springtime pollen explosion quite differently than people. They collect and store pollen for use as a future food source.

Pollen is a major protein source for honeybees. They produce 'bee bread' with the pollen which is used to carry their hives through lean times.

Worker bees collect the pollen under their wings. They return to their hive when they have a full load, then repeat the process until the pollen source is exhausted.

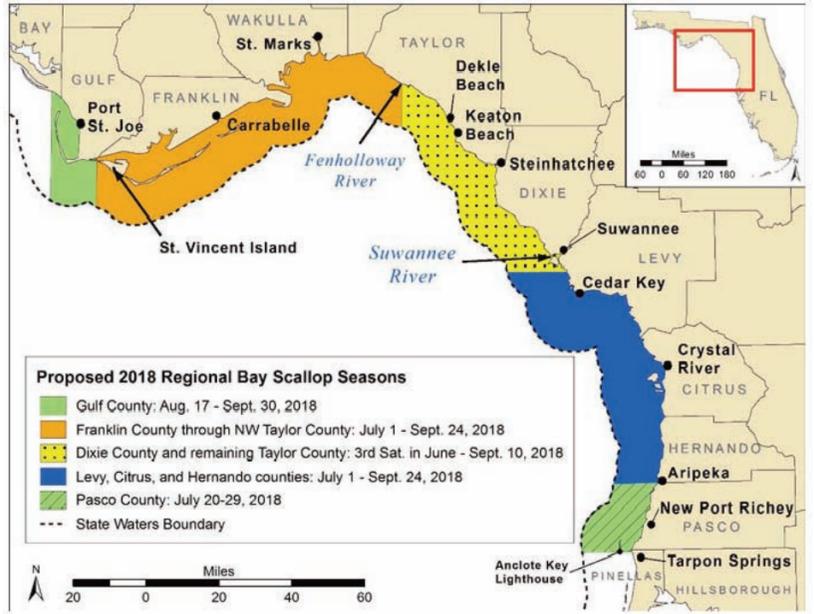
Some native Jefferson County spiders use pollen as a supplement to their diet of insects, which may include some unlucky honeybees.

There are some who claim that consuming locally produced honey, which contains pollen, will alleviate many hay fever symptoms. Clinically this has not been proven.

Still, it is likely at least the bees and other pollinators do not suffer the indignities of hay-fever.

To learn more about local pollen sources, contact your UF/IFAS Jefferson Extension Office at (850) 342-0187 or www.jefferson.ifas.ufl.edu

FWC approves regional bay scallop seasons for 2018



The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) approved regionally-specific bay scallop open season dates for 2018, including a change to the season for Levy, Citrus and Hernando counties that was proposed in December. The Commission also approved a trial bay scallop season in state waters off Pasco County in 2018.

The following regionally-specific bay scallop open seasons will be created by executive order for 2018 only:

- Franklin County through northwestern Taylor County (including Carrabelle, Lanark and St. Marks): July 1 through Sept. 24. This region includes all state waters from the westernmost point of St. Vincent Island in Franklin County to Rock Island near the mouth of the Fenholloway River in Taylor County.
- The remaining portion of Taylor County and all of Dixie County (including Keaton Beach and the Steinhatchee area): the third Saturday in June (June 16) through Sept. 10. This region includes all state waters east of Rock Island near the mouth of the Fenholloway River in Taylor County and north of Alligator Pass Daybeacon #4 near the mouth of the Suwannee River in Levy County.
- Levy, Citrus and Hernando counties (including Cedar Key, Crystal River and Homosassa): July 1 through Sept. 24 (previously slated for July 10 through Sept. 10). This region includes all state waters south of Alligator Pass Daybeacon #4 near the mouth of the Suwannee River in Levy County and north of the Hernando/Pasco county line.
- St. Joseph Bay and Gulf County: Aug. 17 through Sept. 30. This region includes all state waters from the Mexico Beach Canal in Bay County to the westernmost point of St. Vincent Island in Franklin County.
- Pasco County: Establish a trial 10-day open season to run July 20-29. This region includes all state waters south of the Hernando/Pasco county line and north of the Anclote Key Lighthouse in northern Pinellas County, and includes all waters of the Anclote River.

Learn more about bay scallop regulations at www.MyFWC.com/Fishing, click on "Saltwater Fishing," "Recreational Regulations" and "Bay Scallops."

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March 17	March 21	March 25
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*12:43PM	*4:00PM	
March 18	March 22	March 26
7:49AM	11:20PM	
*1:07AM	*4:26AM	
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CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO.: 18-000-08

FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION,
Plaintiff,
vs.
KATHRYN F. JONES, et al.,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO:
UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF JOHN BURTON MATHIS
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WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court this 5th day of March, 2018.

Tim Sanders
As Clerk of the Court

By Sherry Sears
As Deputy Clerk

3/9,16

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 2ND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR JEFFERSON COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO. 17000008CAAXMX

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

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Defendant(s)

NOTICE OF ACTION

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COMMENCE AT AN OLD CONCRETE. MONUMENT MARKING THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SECTION 18, TOWNSHIP 1 NORTH, RANGE 4 EAST, JEFFERSON COUNTY FLORIDA, AND RUN THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 39 MINUTES 49 SECONDS EAST ALONG THE EAST BOUNDARY OF SAID SECTION 18 A DISTANCE OF 2154.77 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT ON THE SOUTHERLY BOUNDARY OF THE 300.00 FOOT RIGHT OF WAY OF INTERSTATE 10 (STATE ROAD NO. 8), THENCE NORTH 85 DEGREES 32 MINUTES 14 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID SOUTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY BOUNDARY 2397.13 FEET, THENCE SOUTH 04 DEGREES 27 MINUTES 46 SECONDS WEST ALONG THE WESTERLY RIGHT OF WAY BOUNDARY AND A PROJECTION THEREOF OF A 60.0 FOOT ROADWAY A DISTANCE OF 1348.0 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING CONTINUE THENCE SOUTH 04 DEGREES 27 MINUTES 46 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID WESTERLY RIGHT OF WAY BOUNDARY 260.0 FEET, THENCE LEAVING SAID WESTERLY RIGHT OF WAY BOUNDARY RUN SOUTH 83 DEGREES 09 MINUTES 01 SECONDS WEST 516.02 FEET, THENCE NORTH 13 DEGREES 22 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST 280.0 FEET, THENCE NORTH 85 DEGREES 22 MINUTES 23 SECONDS EAST 599.25 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. A/K/A 290 WILD TURKEY RUN, MONTICELLO, FLORIDA 32344

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it, on Kahane & Associates, P.A., Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 8201 Peters Road, Suite 3000, Plantation, FLORIDA 33324 on or before April 16, 2018, a date which is within thirty (30) days after the first publication of this Notice in the MONTICELLO NEWS and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

This notice is provided pursuant to Administrative Order No.2.065. In accordance with the 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 provisions of certain assistance. Please contact the Court Administrator at Clerk Of Courts, Rm.10, Monticello, FL 32344, Phone No. (850)342-0218 within 2 working days of your receipt of this notice or pleading; if you are hearing impaired, call 1-800-955-8771 (TDD); if you are voice impaired, call 1-800-995-8770 (V) (Via Florida Relay Services).
WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court this 7th day of March, 2018.

Tim Sanders
As Clerk of the Court

By Sherry Sears
As Deputy Clerk

Submitted by:
Kahane & Associates, P.A.
8201 Peters Road, Ste.3000
Plantation, FL 33324
Telephone: (954) 382-3486
Telefacsimile: (954) 382-5380
Designated service email: notice@kahaneandassociates.com 3/16,23

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NOTICE OF MEETING OF CITY HISTORIC DESIGN REVIEW BOARD

The City Historic Design Review Board will meet on Monday, March 26, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at City Hall, 245 S. Mulberry Street, Monticello. The meeting agenda is available for inspection at City Hall 245 S. Mulberry Street. For further information, contact City Clerk Emily Anderson at 850/342-0292. 3/16

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS AND PROPOSAL
RFQ #2018030118-01

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONER
1484 S. Jefferson St., Monticello, FL 32344

Jefferson County will select a Restore Act Grant Consultant to provide consultant services associated with grant writing, administration, technical support, application, monitoring and post-grant requirements of the Restore Act to Jefferson County and all Treasury guidelines and federal grant regulations and those additional grant consulting services required of the professional with the Restore Act as required by Jefferson County and the U.S. Treasury.
Proposals from the qualified parties will show the selected consultants ability to provide general guidance and support to Jefferson County staff and advise the commission and staff regarding the Resources and Ecosystems Sustainability, Tourist Opportunities, and Revived Economies of the Gulf Coast (RESTORE) Act of 2012.
Tasks and expectations of grant consultant services are defined within the complete Request for Proposals (RFQ) available from the County Coordinator, Parrish Barwick at 1484 S. Jefferson Street, Monticello, Florida 32344; or from the Jefferson County Web Site www.jeffersoncountyfl.gov.
The County, at its sole discretion, intends to award a contract to the party deemed to offer the best qualifications, value and probability of success in administration, consulting and facilitating Jefferson County's grant writing program, monitoring and implementation of the various components of each grant sought and secured through the RESTORE Act.

Sealed Bids will be accepted until 5:00 PM Friday, April 13 2018; at 1484 S. Jefferson St., Monticello, FL 32344. Attention Parrish Barwick, Jefferson County Coordinator.

***The Jefferson County Board of County Commissioners reserves the right to accept or reject any and all sealed bids. Individuals submitting bids shall bear the entire cost of preparation and presentation of bids responsive hereto and the County shall not be liable for any costs incurred in preparing any bid. 3/9,16,23,30,4/6

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: 17-00020-TD
Certificate Number: 85 Year of Issuance: 2011

Description of Property: 00-00-00-0340-0000-0400
Lot 40 Nobles Add
ORB 463 PG 54

Site Address: 405 CAROLINA ST

Name in which assessed: **Gary & Joanne Robertson**

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 **April 19, 2018 at 11:00 A.M.**

Tim Sanders
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Jefferson County, FL

BY: Sherry Sears, Deputy Clerk 3/9,16,23,30

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 2ND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR JEFFERSON COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL DIVISION:
CASE NO.: 16-073-CA

FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION,
Plaintiff,
vs.
CLEO MARIE KELLY A/K/A CLEO M. KELLY; MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS NOMINEE FOR COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC.; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF CLEO MARIE KELLY A/K/A CLEO M. KELLY; UNKNOWN TENANT; IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated the **27th day of February, 2018**, and entered in Case No. 16-073-CA, of the Circuit Court of the 2ND Judicial Circuit in and for Jefferson County, Florida, wherein FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION is the Plaintiff and UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF CLEO MARIE KELLY A/K/A CLEO M. KELLY MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., ACTING SOLELY AS NOMINEE FOR COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC. ERIN KELLY A/K/A ERIN MICHAEL KELLY GABRELLE KELLY A/K/A GABRIELLE KELLY A/K/A GABRIELLE THOMPSON A/K/A GABRIELLE RENE KELLY JOCELYN KELLY A/K/A JOCELYN LEA KELLY UNKNOWN TENANT N/K/A GABRIELLE THOMPSON; and UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF CLEO MARIE KELLY A/K/A CLEO M. KELLY IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY are defendants. KIRK B. REAMS as the Clerk of the Circuit Court shall sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the, NORTH DOOR OF THE JEFFERSON COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COUNTY COURTHOUSE, MONTICELLO, FL 32344, 11:00 AM on the **5th day of April, 2018**, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

LOTS 21, 22, 23 AND 24 OF LONGVIEW SUBDIVISION, AS PER MAP OR PLAT OF RECORD IN THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, FLORIDA, IN PLAT BOOK 'B', PAGE 22, AND TO WHICH REFERENCE IS HEREBY EXPRESSLY DIRECTED, AND BEING SITUATE IN THE WEST ONE HALF OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 34, TOWNSHIP 2 NORTH, RANGE 4 EAST, LYING WEST OF THE STATE ROAD NO. 158, SAID LONGVIEW SUBDIVISION BEING A RE-SUBDIVISION OF LOTS 261 AND 262 OF NORTH FLORIDA PECAN COMPANY SUBDIVISION AS PER MAP OR PLAT THEREOF OF RECORD IN SAID PUBLIC RECORDS IN PLAT BOOK 'A', PAGE 1, AND DEED BOOK 'EE', PAGE 600, PUBLIC RECORDS OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND TO WHICH REFERENCE IS ALSO EXPRESSLY MADE.

ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS OF 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.

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.

Dated this 28th day of February, 2018.

Tim Sanders
Clerk Of The Circuit Court

By: Sherry Sears
Deputy Clerk

Submitted by:
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