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## Monticello man wins \$500,000 in lottery

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A 21-year-old Monticello Man named John Devane won big time after turning a \$5 scratch off lottery ticket into a \$500,000 winning prize.

On Wednesday, October 31, the Florida Lottery announced that Devane had claimed his prize after purchasing and scratching off a five dollar winning ticket from the Gold Rush Doubler scratch-off game. The ticket was reportedly purchased from the

Monticello Winn-Dixie, located at 1245 S. Jefferson St.

The Gold Rush Doubler scratch-off game features more than \$182.8 million in various prizes, including 44 prizes of \$500,000.

According to the Florida Lottery, Devane's chances of winning were one in 4.23.

Scratch-off tickets comprise approximately 69 percent of lottery ticket sales.

John Devane declined to have his photograph taken.

## Man found guilty of battery

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A six-member jury last week found a Monticello man guilty of a lesser crime than what he was charged, presenting a mixed victory for the state and defense.

After about three hours of deliberation on Friday, Oct. 26, the jury found 27-year-old Marquice Serial Dobson guilty of felony battery, a 3<sup>rd</sup>-degree offense punishable by prison time. Dobson had been charged with the more serious offense of aggravated battery with a deadly weapon and causing great bodily harm.



Marquice Serial Dobson

Sentencing for Dobson is scheduled for Nov. 26 before Circuit Court Judge Dawn Caloca-Johnson, See DOBSON page 3

# FLU SHOTS

Vaccinations are the best protection against flu

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Flu season has reared its ugly face in the United States as the death of an unvaccinated Florida child has been confirmed due to the flu, the first pediatric casualty of the virus' season. The importance of knowing how to protect yourself and others is crucial as this year's flu, like years past, can be fatal.

The 2017-2018 flu season in the United States was said to be strenuous and widespread, as at least 30 children died before January of 2018 as result of the flu. Fortune reported in mid-February that more than 4,000 Americans were dying daily because of the flu.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the flu is a contagious respiratory illness caused by influenza viruses that infect the nose, throat and sometimes the lungs, causing mild to severe illness, and, as previously stated, even death.

The flu is quite different than that of a cold, due to the sudden impact of symptoms such as cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, body aches, headaches, chills, fatigue, sometimes diarrhea and vomiting, as well as fever, however, not all infected will have a fever.

It's important to know that once the flu has been contracted, victims are most contagious in the first three to four days after illness begins, however, some may be able to infect others beginning one day before symptoms develop and five days after becoming sick, according to the CDC. Others, including young children and people with weakened immune systems, may be able to infect others with flu viruses for an even longer period of time.

People who are more at risk for the flu, include those 65 years and older, people of any age with certain chronic medical conditions, such as asthma, diabetes or heart disease. Additionally, pregnant women and children younger than five years old are at higher risk of contracting the flu. However, anybody can contract the virus, even healthy people.

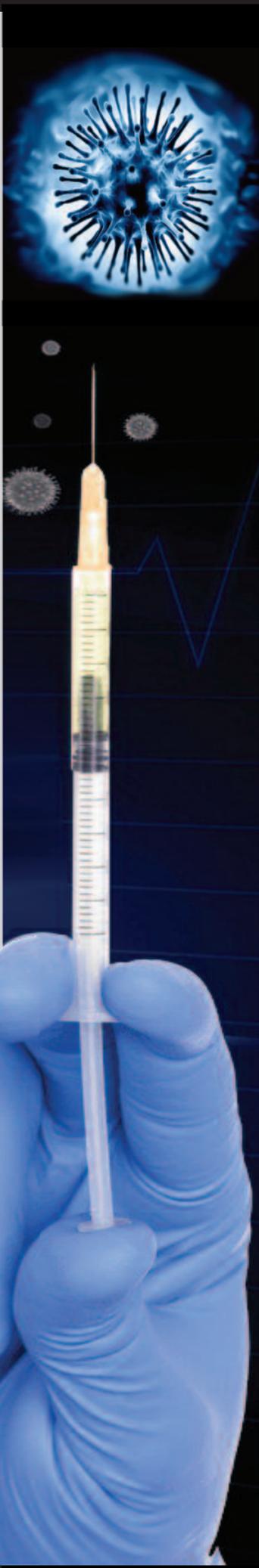
Fluzone High-Doze, given to people ages 65 and older, is a three-component (trivalent) inactivated flu vaccine, according to CDC. The vaccine contains for times the antigen of standard-dose inactivated influenza vaccines, which is what helps the body build up protection against flu viruses.

The CDC states that studies show 70 percent to 85 percent of seasonal flu-related deaths have occurred in people age 65 and older, with 54 percent to 70 percent of people in that age group hospitalized due to the seasonal flu.

The quadrivalent flu vaccine is also another vaccine that is administered by North Florida Pharmacy for anyone age 18 and older. The quadrivalent vaccine protects against two influenza A viruses and two influenza B viruses.

Children younger than six months of age are too young to get the flu. Also, people with severe, life-threatening allergies to flu vaccine or any ingredient in the vaccine, this might include gelatin, antibiotics or other ingredients. People who are allergic to eggs or any of the ingredients in the vaccine, if you ever had Guillain-Barré Syndrome or if you're

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## Tigers, Warriors look towards playoffs

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With only one regular season game left to be played, the high school football playoff picture is coming into focus. If the playoffs were to begin today, the Jefferson Somerset High School Tigers would be the number three seed in the Region Two tournament. This would mean the Tigers would play the region quarterfinal game on Friday, Nov. 9.

Currently, the Tigers have the third highest point average in the Class 1A power rankings, as determined by the Florida High School Athletic Association (FHSA). This means the Tigers would enjoy home field advantage for the first round of the playoffs. Should the Tigers defeat the War Eagles of Wakulla High School, they would possibly move up in the power rankings. For much of the season, the Tigers were the number one ranked team in Region Two. The Class 1A state championship game will take place on Thursday, Dec. 6, at 1 p.m. at Camping World Stadium, in See PLAYOFFS page 3

## Interchange trees are county's responsibility

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After much back and forth, finger-pointing, and a reproachful letter from officials at the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), county commissioners have decided it behooves them to accept the upkeep of the crepe myrtles, magnolias and other trees and shrubs gracing the Monticello I-10 and US 19 interchange.

The trees and shrubs, many will recall, are part of an ongoing US 19 beautification project.

Commissioner Betsy Barfield raised the issue at a recent commission meeting, referencing "a three-page, scathing letter" from the FDOT decrying the county's lack of upkeep of the trees and shrubs at the interchange, which the FDOT maintains that the county committed to do.

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Weather for this weekend



# Deb's Notes

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**Happy Belated Birthday** to Jerome Akins! His special day was on Halloween Day, October 31!

**Wacissa United Methodist Church**, 14492 Waukeenah Highway, will host its annual first Friday in November Rib Eye Steak Dinner fundraiser tonight, November 2 from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Raffle tickets for a quilt, handmade by Linda Falzone and the Quilt Ministry Group, will also be sold for \$5 each. All services and supplies for this evening's event are donated by the church members. 350 meals are expected to be prepared at \$15 for adults, \$7 for children and children under five years of age are free of charge. Rev. Steve Lenzo, pastor. For more information call (850) 997-4776.

**Girl Scouts** are invited to participate in an afternoon of discovery at the Florida Museum of Natural History's 'She's a Scientist: A Girl Scout Exploration' program Sunday, Nov. 4. Brownie and Junior Girl Scouts will be able to explore the museum from 1 to 4 p.m. and engage in hands-on activities and experiments while meeting local scientists. "We hope this will encourage Girl Scouts to consider studying and succeeding in a science or technology field in the future," said Florida Museum educator Tiffany Ireland. The program will feature multiple female scientists, many of whom work at the University of Florida. The scientists will share with Scouts what they're working on in their respective fields, ranging from biology to astronomy. Participants will also have the opportunity to examine fossils under a microscope, learn about live plants and animals from Florida's freshwater ecosystems and experiment with smell and taste receptors. "This will hopefully broaden the girls' understanding of what science can be," Ireland said. Allison Bordini, an education and outreach specialist for the Mint Genome Project who works in the Florida Museum Soltis Lab, will lead a station where Scouts may touch live mint plants, examine specimens under microscopes and discover what gives them their unique smell. "I think the Girl Scouts will love our station because there's so much to it," Bordini said. "Plants are so cool in that they can get so much done, such as pollinating or defending themselves, without ever moving. During the event the girls can touch, smell, ask questions and use skills to draw conclusions about the plants. Visitors love learning and exploring, and we're here to do that in a fun way." The Mint Genome Project is a National Science Foundation-funded program in collaboration with Michigan State University. Florida Museum and other researchers are investigating the chemical diversity and phylogeny of the mint family, Lamiaceae, one of the largest and economically important plant families. The Scouts will earn a special patch created for the event as well as their museum patch. The program cost is \$5 per Scout. Pre-registration is required to receive a patch at the event. For more information, call (352) 273-2061 or visit [www.floridamuseum.ufl.edu/event/shes-a-scientist-exploration](http://www.floridamuseum.ufl.edu/event/shes-a-scientist-exploration).

**Forget-Me-Not Walk and the Cliff Hinkle Round to Remember Golf Tournament for Alzheimer's Project** (local services for local families) will be held November 4 and 5 from 1 to 3 p.m. at Cascades Park in Tallahassee. For more information go to [alzheimersproject.org](http://alzheimersproject.org) or call (850) 386-2778. Bounce houses, food trucks, Kona Ice, Mountain Dew Cloggers, face painting, rock climbing, and more.

**Ladies Night Out** in downtown Boston, Georgia from 5 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, November 15. The town with timeless Southern charm and pop-up shops.

**The Mickee Faust Club** will present 'A Murderous Moveable Macbeth.' With its witches, wars and cold-blooded murders Macbeth is the perfect play for the chilly days of November. And when the audience is asked to physically follow the action of

the play and even get their own hands 'bloodied' as part of admission, then you know it's the Mickee Faust Club take on a Shakespearean classic. The Mickee Faust Club is producing A Murderous Moveable Macbeth, a one-of-a-kind, non-traditional, immersive event featuring Shakespeare's shortest, bloodiest play. As with its memorable 2010 counterpart A Moveable Midsummer Night's Dream, Faust is choosing to invigorate, rather than parody, the play. The language is Shakespeare's own, but A Murderous Movable Macbeth is designed to engage attendees as intimate witnesses to the dark devolving madness of Lord and Lady Macbeth, moving with them as their tragedy unfolds across the multiple performance spaces of the Mickee Faust Club. The audience will first be asked to dip their hands in 'blood' as proof of admission. They will then be led to join the 'Weird Ones' on the tortured landscape of a Scottish battlefield. From there the participants will move with the progression of the play, each scene unfolding in new and aesthetically different areas around the Mickee Faust Club Campus at Railroad Square. A Murderous Moveable Macbeth is also a new take on dinner theater. The audiences on Friday and Saturday will be treated to a delicious 11<sup>th</sup> century-style meal with food, drink and entertainment. The Thursday night performances, called 'Pauper Thursday', will feature a lighter fare of cheese, homemade bread, fruit and shortbread cookies. Dinner is included in the price of admission. The actual banquet will segue into the infamous Banquet scene of Macbeth and bring the audience back into the play proper. At the climactic battle of the play, the audience will find itself, along with Macbeth and his servants and armies, inside a castle besieged and overrun by its enemies. There will be blood. A Murderous Moveable Macbeth promises to be an exhilarating evening of entertainment produced by one of the most original non-profit theater companies in the Deep South. The production runs for six performances: Thursday through Saturday, November 8-10; and the following Thursday through Saturday, November 15-17. Rain dates are Sunday, November 11 and Sunday, November 18. All shows begin at 7 p.m. at the Mickee Faust Clubhouse, 623 McDonnell Drive in the heart of Tallahassee's Railroad Square Art Park. The Club productions strive to be accessible and A Murderous Moveable Macbeth is no exception. Chairs, wheelchairs and assistants will be provided for those with mobility issues and captioning is available for all shows. Tickets to the show are available for purchase only through the company website at [mickeefaust.com](http://mickeefaust.com). Seating is limited to 70 people for each production, so purchase tickets early for a guaranteed spot at the banquet table.

**Another Night of Bluegrass** featuring the award winning 'Appalachian Express' at the Thomasville Municipal Auditorium November 10 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are available at the Thomasville Visitors Center at the corner of East Jackson and Crawford streets. For more information call (1-229) 228-7977.

Free exhibitor space to all organizations that provide youth and family-based resources and/or services is offered for the **6<sup>th</sup> annual MY Fest Tallahassee** on Saturday, November 17 from 12 to 4 p.m. at Kleman Plaza. MY Fest is a free community event designed to inspire and empower all young people, while sharing information and resources that can help youth and families overcome challenges, and achieve their goals and dreams. Although there is no charge for this showcase opportunity, donations of \$25 gift cards are appreciated, to assist in providing doorprizes for attending youth. In-kind contributions to MY Fest attendees (branded items, raffle prizes, food and beverages) are also appreciated. To become a MY Fest sponsor, or for general information about MY LIFE or MY Fest, contact Youth Advisor Niki Germain at [ngerman@familycafe.net](mailto:ngerman@familycafe.net) or call (850) 224-4670.



## Letters To The Editor

Letters to the Editor are typed word for word, comma for comma, as sent to this newspaper. Please keep letter to 600 words or less.

### Thank you

Thank you to all public services organizations

I would like to express my gratitude and thanks to the organizations that worked around the clock to help keep our Keystone County prepared, re-operating and safe from Hurricane Michael. Organizations included first Governor Rick Scott, the County Road Department, Fire Rescue and EMS, JCSO, EOC, FWC, FHP, CERT, NOAA, GFAST, City of Monticello Utilities and Police Department, FDOT, Monticello News, Social Media, Echo Power lines, William T. Groves Electric, JC Power, Heart

Utilities of Jax, Kinco Power lines, Red Cross, OSR, Pike Engineering, Jefferson County School District and to all other staff and residents who gave a helping hand.

To these organizations on behalf of the citizens of Jefferson County we thank you. Thank you for the long hours and the time and effort you sacrificed to keep our county in full operations. You have helped us to continue to live our lives with our loved ones, family and friends. Your task did not go unnoticed. Thank you and may God bless everyone.

*Derrick D. Jennings*

### Requiring a valid id to vote

Last week as my wife and I went to early vote we were asked by the election officials to produce a valid id, we used our FL drivers license. We also were asked to fill out a form listing our name and mailing address and to sign same. We then voted.

At a time when we hear folks decry having voter id, we feel this procedure was not prejudicial nor something being used to deny anyone the right to vote. It was very simply a sensible way to insure that we were registered, Jefferson County voters.

While our county is made up of primarily African Americans, Caucasian Americans and Latino Americans we are all children of God who happen to have different colored skin.

Requiring a valid id to vote is nothing more than making sure those who vote are eligible. Not requiring this means some who are not legally eligible will vote and that is not fair to anyone.

*Geoff Monge*

## Passing Parade

by Nelson Pryor, Guest Columnist

### Hardy Spirit of the Early Days

On April 22, 1930, the Pioneer Woman statue was dedicated, in Ponca City, Oklahoma. The memorial shows a young woman leading her small son by the hand. On her right arm the woman carries a bundle, representing the burden of life and all her worldly goods. Under her right arm she holds a Bible, her standard, for her country, and for the building up of this country.

#### Attitude

The woman is not yet seared and broken by heartbreaking toil. She sings the song of victory to the future generations rather than bemoan the few who were lost. It never occurred to pioneer women that they were heroic, but, lets face it, what they did was heroic or it was nothing at all.

#### The Role Model

In a December 25, 1927 New York Times 4E editorial, the role of the pioneer mother is perfectly captured:

"She is a mother whose pioneer farmer-husband has won in his struggle, who has herself carried something of culture out of the ancestral home further east, who has brought up her lad at her side on the Bible, and is not bowed down or embittered by hardship."

The memorial makes wide appeal. "The hardships, struggles and achievements of the pioneers that have been celebrated in history, literature, painting and sculpture, from the time of Abraham, who went out not knowing whither he went, and Aeneas, who took with him only his father and his child, to the Pilgrim Fathers and the migrants to Oklahoma at the opening of the last reservation to settlement, have been chiefly and almost exclusively those of men. The woman pioneer has not had her due share of praise and gratitude. She was often, if not always, the one who bore the heavier burden of the two-and suffered more



**The Pioneer Woman faces the future, Bible and child in hand.**

from the isolation. She was the cultural pioneer and triumphed in her grace over the rough ways of the frontier. She was the precursor not of the factories and the shops but of the educational and social institutions which have given in later generations a larger clientage in that part of the Republic for the things of the mind than in any other. What she symbolizes 'outbuilds the pyramids,' and her monument shall last when Egypt's fall."

#### Mothers

It is mothers who will save this nation. Brazile was almost lost to the Communists, in the early 1960's, but was saved by their women who took to the streets with their washtubs that they beat like a drum. They famously saved the day.

There is a moral bankruptcy in this country, today, that can and will only be quelled if the women of this nation will rise up and put a stop to these days insanity. Those pioneer mothers did it once, and that pioneer spirit still exists.

We all must show that spirit, and vote. Vote Tuesday, November 6, 2018. Our Nation depends on it!

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## FLU SHOT

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feeling unwell, you should consult your doctor before receiving the vaccine.

According to the CDC, other vaccines include live attenuated influenza [LAIV], adjuvanted vaccine, intra-dermal influenza (flu) vaccine, cell-based flu vaccine, flu

vaccination by jet injector and recombinant influenza (flu) vaccine. Consult your doctor about these vaccines.

To better protect yourself from the flu, you are encouraged to get vaccinated. All persons aged six months and older are recommended for annual vaccination. In Jefferson County, the public health unit at is located 1255 West

Washington St. and is offering free flu shots to persons 18 and younger. Pharmacists in Jefferson County also providing the flu shots are the CVS Pharmacy at 1390 South Jefferson Street and the Winn Dixie Pharmacy at 1245 South Jefferson Street.

For more information about the flu, log onto [cdc.gov](http://cdc.gov).

## DOBSON

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who presided over the criminal trial.

The state and the defense didn't contest the basics of the case, which involved an altercation between Dobson and Michael Zeigler on April 10, 2016. According to the court testimony, the two men -- along with three others -- were playing cards on a portable table under a tree in a lot on South Marvin Street on a Sunday when the argument broke out.

And here the two sides' stories diverge. Or as Defense Attorney David Collins put it in his opening remarks, "the evidence comes in different forms."

According to the state's version, as presented by Assistant State Attorney Andrew Deneen, Zeigler collected his winnings from the game and began to walk away from the table toward his car when Dobson picked up a brick and hurled it at Zeigler, striking him in the jaw and causing a significant injury.

According to the defense's version, Dobson acted in self-defense. Or as Collins related the incident, the two men argued, Zeigler produced brass knuckles and swung at Dobson, who "happened to locate a brick in a nearby pile" and struck Zeigler in the face in self defense.

Collins strongly disputed Zeigler's assertion that Dobson had hurled the brick from a distance.

"Mr. Zeigler says Mr. Dobson threw the brick from 40 to 43 feet away and we don't believe that is credible," Collins said in his opening remarks, adding that the defense would produce a witness who would testify that she never saw the defendant throw the brick.

Whether the brick was thrown or handled at close quarters, however, there was no dispute that Zeigler suffered a broken jaw that required surgery.

It became the jury's responsibility to decide where the truth rested; or failing that, whose version of the truth seemed the more credible and convincing, based on a set of criteria that Deneen offered.

"Pay attention to the way that witnesses answer questions, give details, are consistent or contradictory or appear credible," Deneen said, adding that his legal obligation was to prove the case beyond a reasonable doubt, no more.

The state for its first witness called Zeigler, who tellingly carried a Bible to the stand. Barely a minute into his testimony, the judge called a brief recess and asked the jury to leave the courtroom momentarily. As soon as the jury exited, a court officer removed Zeigler's Bible prop, lest it bias anyone and attesting to the subtlety of court proceedings and the attention to detail.

Zeigler in his subsequent testimony represented that Dobson pulled up in a motor scooter and joined the game, which was being played for quarters. He said that after winning three consecutive games he pulled the money to his side of the table and prepared to go. He said that as he was walking toward his car he noticed the defendant pick up a brick.

"I'm backing up to go to my car," Zeigler said. "I saw the brick coming straight for my face. My only reaction was to turn my face and it hit me on the jaw. I had blood dripping from my mouth. I went home, looked in the mirror, and went to the hospital."

It was only on the next day that he reported the incident to the Monticello Police Department, he said.

Collins in his cross examination challenged Zeigler's representation of the distance, trying to introduce doubt as to the latter's credibility.

"You said he threw the brick from 40 to 43 feet and it came at

you like a bullet," Collins said, after stepping back a distance of 43 steps from Zeigler. "But now I show you the distance and you say it wasn't that far."

Nor, Collins said, had Zeigler mentioned the 43 feet in an earlier deposition or in his statement to the police when he reported the crime.

"You gave a sworn statement to police," Collins said. "You said 'Marquice stood up and I stood up and he discharged a brick from his hand and hit me'. Then you said he walked up to you and discharged it. You didn't mention the 43 feet. You've described it three different ways under oath."

The state's second witness was Leon County Sheriff's Department Deputy Eric Payne, a Monticello Police Department officer at the time of the incident in 2016. It was Payne who took Zeigler's initial statement on the incident. He said he had had trouble understanding Zeigler because the latter was mumbling as a result of the jaw injury. He said Zeigler had mentioned no one other than Dobson in his one-page written statement.

Payne described the place where the incident occurred as a troublesome spot, a well-known hangout for gambling, drinking and an occasional fight.

As for the brick, he said he had noticed two piles of bricks on the lot, but no brick that he could identify as the projectile used in the attack.

The defense declined to question Payne, other than to ask if the officer had interviewed a woman whose house was right across the street from lot. He had not, Payne said.

That woman was Carolyn Thompson, whom the defense called as its only witness.

Thompson testified that her kitchen was about 30 feet from the table where the card game was played. She also called the lot a troublesome place, where people drank and gambled and fights occasionally broke out.

It was Thompson who

testified that she saw Zeigler pull the brass knuckles from his pocket and swing at Dobson.

Deneen pressed Thompson on her testimony.

"How do you know Mr. Dobson?" Deneen asked.

"He's a friend of my grandson," Thompson said, adding that her grandson was presently in prison and she otherwise had no contact with Dobson.

She also, she said, knew "Mike", as she called Zeigler. She knew him only insofar as the latter was the individual who often parked his car illegally in her sister's yard, Thompson said.

Was that a reason why she disliked 'Mike'? Deneen asked.

She didn't like or dislike Zeigler, Thompson answered. She was merely saying what happened.

Why did she remember this particular fight from two years earlier so vividly? Deneen wanted to know.

"You said you've seen several fights out there, why does this one stand out?" Deneen asked.

Thompson couldn't really say.

She had testified that she had seen Zeigler pull out brass knuckles that looked silver, Deneen said. Could it have been a roll of quarters that Zeigler had pulled out?

"I know what brass knuckles look like," Thompson said.

Deneen continued to press Thompson and underscored seeming inconsistencies in her testimony as to the positions that Zeigler and Dobson had occupied at the card table, whether Zeigler had been facing her or had his back to her when he allegedly swung the brass knuckles, and in which hand he held the weapon.

As Deneen continued to press Thompson and suggest seeming inconsistencies or contradictions in her testimony, she grew visibly annoyed and somewhat combative in her responses. Which may have been the point of the questioning.

## TREES

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"We've got to do something about the I-10 interchange," Barfield said. "Right now we have an eyesore there and the FDOT is not happy with us."

The reason for the FDOT's unhappiness is that it awarded the county a \$320,000 grant several years ago to landscape the areas alongside the four I-10 on and off ramps. And a stipulation of the contract was that the county maintain the trees and shrubs once they were planted.

County officials, however, continue to insist that they never committed to doing the maintenance, saying that others had committed to doing it and then had reneged.

"When you count on other people they always let you down," County Coordinator Barwick Parrish said, apparently alluding to these other entities, which he did not name.

Nonetheless, Barwick conceded, the FDOT was holding the county's feet to the fire, as the state agency had the county dead to rights on the maintenance responsibility by the terms of the contract that local officials had signed. The FDOT, moreover, had another leverage, which was the additional \$272,000 that it not long ago awarded the county for phase-2 of the US 19 beautification project.

Barwick said that as much as he disliked adding to the Road Department's workload, he would have the department undertake the maintenance, if with assistance from prison inmate crews.

"The mowing, fertilizing and putting down straw we'll do," Barwick said.

What his crews couldn't do, he said, was the pruning or trimming, which required a certified arborist.

"We'll have to hire an arborist to do the suckers removal and trimming," Barwick said.

The board agreed, saying a local arborist could be contracted temporarily to do the specified work.

With that, the board voted to accept the interchange's maintenance.

The maintenance of the interchange has

been a problem almost since the completion of the project in mid 2016. Originally, county officials had negotiated with the city for its crews to undertake the maintenance of the new plantings to ensure their survival. That plan, however, fell by the wayside as the plan design continued undergo alterations over a period of years and the project moved farther and father south, to the interstate ultimately. According to City Manager Steve Wingate, it became unfeasible for city crews to carry out the maintenance once the interchange became the focal point and a FDOT subcontractor then took over the maintenance. On paper, however, the county was still held responsible.

Fast forward. In 2017, one of the FDOT's subcontracted maintenance crews that mowed the state right-of-ways accidentally broke part of the irrigation system that watered the not yet completely established trees and shrubs. As the county's engineer described the irrigation system, it consisted of an underground mainline with "a smaller feeder line installed above grade linearly along the planner beds and connected to soaker hoses in each tree well."

The bottom line is that the line breakage, if it was even noticed, was never reported. And by the time it came to the city's attention, several of the newly-planted magnolias and other ornamentals had died.

The reason that the leakage came to the city's notice was that it caused a significant spike in water usage. Indeed, according to Wingate, the water loss amounted to more than a million gallons a month, which prompted the city to disconnect the meter.

Meanwhile, the contractor never replaced the dead trees, even though the contract called for the replacement of any trees that died within a year of the planting. And the maintenance of the remaining trees and shrubs went unattended.

Earlier this year, a group of Kiwanians volunteers led by nurseryman Fred Beshears, of Simpson Nursery, pruned, fertilized and mulched the trees at the interstate, saving the taxpayers an estimated \$30,000 to \$40,000,

had the county had to hire a contractor to do the work.

The Kiwanis Club volunteered to do the work after the FDOT expressed concern about the condition of the trees and plants and the county's evident lack of maintaining them. The message from the FDOT was that if the county didn't live up to its contractual responsibility, it could well jeopardize receipt of second grant for the expansion of the U.S 19 landscaping project.

"The FDOT said if you can't maintain the trees they will take back the \$272,000 grant," engineer Rob Davis, of Dewberry Engineering Inc., informed commissioners late last year.

Initially, Davis told the commission that the Kiwanians would perform the maintenance a minimum of twice a year, or as needed. Subsequently, however, the Kiwanians let it be known that their effort had been a one-time deal. Which is part of what prompted the FDOT's latest scathing letter.

## PLAYOFFS

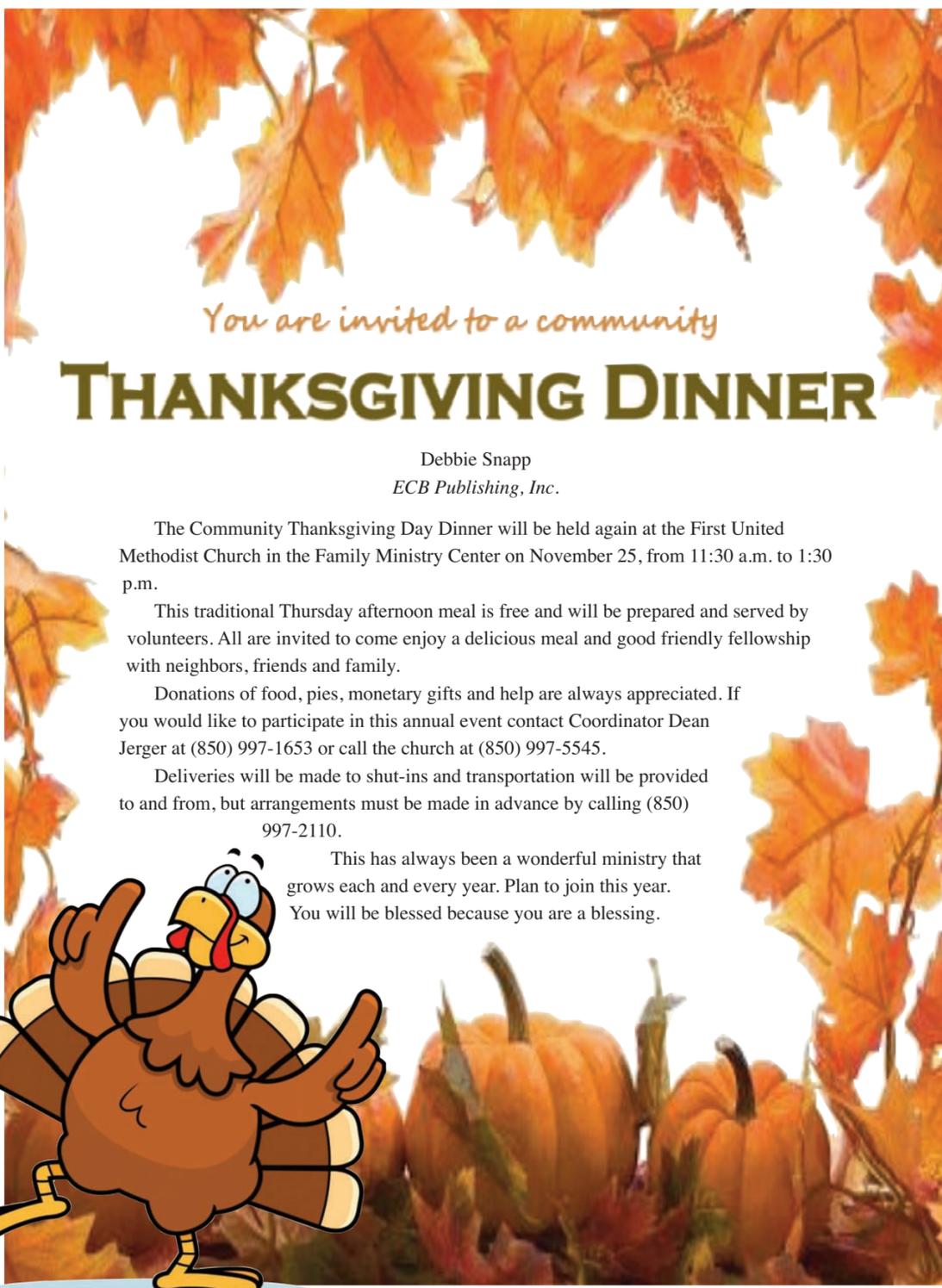
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Orlando.

Another area team with strong playoff hopes is Aucilla Christian Academy.

The Warriors are currently the fourth seed team in Class 2A, Region One. The Warriors could possibly move up in the power rankings with a victory over the yet unbeaten St. Joseph Academy Flashes. With the current seedings in Region One, the Warriors would face the number three seed, University Christian Fighting Christians, in Jacksonville on Friday, Nov. 9, in the region quarterfinal game. Should the Warriors replace the Fighting Christians as the number three seed, the game would likely be held in Aucilla. The Class 2A state championship game will be played at Camping World Stadium on Friday, Dec. 7, at 10 a.m.

The final tournament seedings and pairings for the first round will be announced on Tuesday, Nov. 7, by the FHSAA.



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# THANKSGIVING DINNER

Debbie Snapp  
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The Community Thanksgiving Day Dinner will be held again at the First United Methodist Church in the Family Ministry Center on November 25, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

This traditional Thursday afternoon meal is free and will be prepared and served by volunteers. All are invited to come enjoy a delicious meal and good friendly fellowship with neighbors, friends and family.

Donations of food, pies, monetary gifts and help are always appreciated. If you would like to participate in this annual event contact Coordinator Dean Jerger at (850) 997-1653 or call the church at (850) 997-5545.

Deliveries will be made to shut-ins and transportation will be provided to and from, but arrangements must be made in advance by calling (850) 997-2110.

This has always been a wonderful ministry that grows each and every year. Plan to join this year. You will be blessed because you are a blessing.



## Veterans Among Us

### Air Force Veteran Zef Fessenden

United States Air Force Veteran Zef Fessenden served his county during the Vietnam War, from 1967 to 1971. He signed up for service from his residence in Long Island, NY. By signing up for four years, he was able to go in as an officer. His basic training was completed in Texas. "I was one of their 90-day Wonders," he laughs. "In and out in 90 days and I was a 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant."

Then, he was off to missile training school at Chanute Air Force Base in Illinois, where he learned how to target missiles with nuclear warheads. He was a Missile Targeting Officer when he arrived at Minot, North Dakota just a few months later. "It was so cold. Colder than I have ever known cold; 50 below zero with no wind chill," he exclaims. "I knew it was going to be cold when they dressed me in a fur-lined hooded parka and pants with fur-lined boots, mukluks. The snow was so cold it crunched. It was nine months of winter and three months of poor sleighing." Right out of the service, Zef entered into three years of law school in Tennessee. From there he relocated to Lakeland, FL, where he clerked for a judge before joining an area law firm. He's been retired from law for 26 years now and is enjoying his volunteer time at the new Tallahassee VA Outpatient Clinic. He does maintenance work and was recently awarded Volunteer of the Year in recognition for his outstanding service and dedication to veterans.

Thank you for your service Zef Fessenden!



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# Adoptable: Badger



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The Wolf Creek Pet Adoption Center is a no-kill humane society that gives a place for the animals of Jefferson County to live until they find their forever homes.

The center is located at 2123 E. Washington St., in Monticello, and can be reached at (850) 342-0244. The adoption center is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Monday through Wednesday and is closed on Tuesday.

Cat adoptions are \$50 (kittens are \$75) and dog adoptions cost \$125 (puppies are \$150) and include updated rabies vaccinations, microchipping, spaying/neutering (as is health/age appropriate), deworming, heart worm testing, as well as FIV/Leukemia testing for cats of all ages. Potential adopters must be at least 18 years of age, possess a valid ID with current address and be willing to spend the time and money necessary to providing your new pet with training, medical treatment, care and love that will be required throughout its lifetime.

Visit the Jefferson County Humane Society on Facebook, or at their website: [jeffersonhumane.org](http://jeffersonhumane.org). Call or visit them today for information about adoptions, setting up a visit, volunteering opportunities, fostering an animal, or current donation needs!



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Badger is an affectionate, playful and goofy boy who is currently residing at the Wolf Creek Pet Adoption Center. Despite his wonderful personality and love for people, Badger has been at the adoption center for a little over two months. Found near the Leon County/Jefferson County border, Badger was brought in and surrendered to the shelter by the person who found him and has resided at the center ever since. Badger is a active dog! He loves running around the yard, playing with toys, splashing in the pool and plays well by himself. A home that is able to give him plenty of room to play and burn off energy would be ideal. He also walks very well on the leash, without any pulling, tugging or leading. To the knowledge of the adoption center's staff, Badger has never been introduced to cats. Badger does well with some dogs, but prospective adopters will need to introduce current dogs to Badger before signing the adoption papers in order to ensure that Badger gets along with his new family. Think you are the family Badger is looking for? Give Wolf Creek Pet Adoption Center a call today!

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# Obituaries

## Larry Mack, Sr.



Larry Mack, Sr., 56, of Monticello's Piney Woods Community passed on Thursday, October 25, 2018. Funeral services are 11 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 3, at Greater Fellowship M.B. Church, with burial in Oakfield Cemetery.

Visitation is 3-7 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 2, at Tillman of Monticello. Survivors include his wife, Barbara McQuay Mack; parents, Pearly Jr. and Annette Monroe Mack; children, Demetria (Corey) Hatchett and Larry Mack, Jr.; sisters: Janice Mack, Jacqueline (Carl) Suter and Gwendolyn (Antonio) Wood; brothers: Ronnie Monroe, Eddie Charles (Sabrina), Anthony and Pearly (Trina) Mack III, and Henry Green; three grandchildren; several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

## David Marcellious Bassa, Jr.

### DAVID M BASSA Jr.



David Marcellious Bassa, Jr., age 79, of Mobile, AL., transitioned October 25, 2018, after battling elevated hypertension and diabetes for several years.

He was a native of Lloyd, a retired truck driver for Baldwin Transfer Co. in Mobile, and an affiliate of the now-defunct Bethel A.M.E. Church in Lloyd. Additionally, he was a heroic Army veteran of the Vietnam War, a resident of Miami from 1957 to 1968, and a resident of Prichard and Mobile, AL. since 1969.

Finally, Mr. Bassa was a 1957 graduate of the now-defunct Howard

Academy High School in Monticello, where he achieved iconic status while playing the tenor saxophone in the marching and jazz bands.

Harboring unforgettable memories of him are his wife of 40 years, Shirley White Bassa of Mobile; four sons: David, Gary and Reginald of Mobile and Freddie of Lloyd's St. Phillip Community; seven daughters: Andrea, Carolyn, Kristi, Nicole and Shaniese of Mobile, Andrea of Miami and Carolyn of Pensacola; a brother, Rev. Willie Bassa of Cordova, TN; three sisters: Marie Bassa Tolbert of Decatur, GA. and Miley Bassa and Rosa Bassa (composer of his obituary) of Lloyd; a 96-year-old uncle, James (Jim) Bassa, Sr. of Delray Beach; and a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews and cousins. Mr. Bassa was predeceased by his parents: David Marcellious Bassa, Sr. and Letha Green Bassa; and two sisters: Barbara Bassa Stewart and Dr. Carolyn Bassa White.

Funeral services will be held Friday, November 2, 11 a.m., in the chapel of Small Mortuary & Cremation Services at 950 S. Broad St., Mobile, AL. Viewing will be held November 2, 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Burial with full military honors will take place at Mobile's Veterans Cemetery.

## Arthur John Paquette

Arthur John Paquette, 82, passed away peacefully at his home in Greenville, FL, on Oct. 25, 2018. He was born in Manchester, NH.

Paquette is survived by his loving wife of 60 years, Ann Paquette; sons: Richard Paquette, of Greenville, and Raymond (Maureen) Paquette, of Connecticut; two grandsons: Sean (Jennifer) Paquette and Colin (Kara) Paquette; and two great grandsons: Langdon Paquette and Chase Paquette.

He was a retired contractor. After retiring, he moved to Greenville in 1992. He loved working as a master carpenter and often shared his expert knowledge with many friends.

He was employed as Maintenance Engineer for T. J. Beggs Jr. Funeral Homes for 25 years. Arthur enjoyed his farm and raising miniature horses. He loved all animals and they loved him.

Paquette was a veteran. He served proudly in the United States Air Force during the Korean War and was a member of American Legion Post 131 of Greenville.

He attended First United Methodist Church in Monticello, FL.

Beggs Funeral Home, of Madison, is in charge of the arrangements. You may send your condolences to the family by visiting their website at [beggsfuneral.com](http://beggsfuneral.com).

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# Scottish Rite Summer Road Trip

Story submitted by Mary Madison

In mid-June (21-25), the Orient of Florida set out on its Inaugural Scottish Rite Road Trip.

Led by the Deputy of the Florida Orient, illustrious Anthony T. Stafford and late Grand Royal Lady Ruler, PLLR Juan Cox, along with special guests, the Honorable Walter Guley and wife Linda and 45 members of the Orient traveled to Washington via Charter World Tours.



The five day deluxe trip started at 6:30 a.m. Thursday, June 21 from the Masonic Temple in Jacksonville.

The group was housed at the Comfort Inn in Springfield, VA.

The travelers visited the National Museum of African American History and Culture as well as other historical sites, to include: the Arlington Cemetery; Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial; Theodore Roosevelt and George Washington Memorials; The White House Visitor Center; and Capitol Hill.

This was a remarkable trip, however, "If you're ever privileged to make this immense trip, I offer four suggestions – plan lots of days, wear comfortable shoes and weather appropriate clothing, be prepared for lots of walking, and take some form of rain gear," stated writer Mary Madison.

# Republican Party awards campaign contribution



The Jefferson County Republican Party Executive Committee awarded a \$3,000 campaign contribution to Sheriff Mac McNeill during their most recent monthly meeting.

Photo Submitted October 16, 2018

# Johnston's mobile kitchen plays role in hurricane recovery relief efforts

Lazaro Aleman  
ECB Publishing, Inc.

Even though Hurricane Michael largely spared Jefferson County several weeks ago, one local business is still heavily engaged in the post-hurricane recovery effort.

That business is Johnston's Meat Market, a family-owned establishment that specializes in hickory-smoked meats and that has had a presence in Monticello since the 1920s.

Right before the storm struck on Oct. 10, Tallahassee Utilities, which has a contract with Johnston's, put the latter on notice that its food-prepping services would likely be needed, according to Blake Bennett, whose maternal great-grandparents Felix and Alice Johnston founded the business in 1926.

"We rode the storm out at Tallahassee Utilities' place in Tallahassee," said Bennett, whose father, Hal Bennett, is Johnston's present-day owner.

Bennet said Johnston's operation consisted of a crew of about seven people, including himself and his father, and the company's supply truck and mobile kitchen trailer, which functions as an emergency food response unit capable of serving up to 10,000 daily meals.

"We can feed a meal a day to 10,000 people," Bennett said.

He said that as soon as the storm passed and the restoration effort kicked into gear, Johnston's crews did likewise, preparing breakfast for the thousand or so linemen and city workers who were readying to go out that morning in the wake of the storm to deal with its devastation.

He said that as soon as breakfast was done, the crew turned around and began preparing lunches and then din-



ners. All told, Bennett said, Johnston's crew was making 1,000 meals three times daily – breakfast, lunch and dinner. Any leftover food, he said, Johnston's donated to the shelters for distribution.

"We went up to feeding 1,500 people three times a day by the time we left," Bennett said. "We were there a week."

He said the food served ranged from eggs, grits, sausages, biscuits and gravy and hash-browns, to chicken sandwiches and hamburgers and fries, to full-course country meals that included barbecued chicken, black-eye peas, cornbread, lima beans and the like.

"We tried to switch it up," Bennett said. Additionally, he said, the kitchen provided the linemen and city workers with chips, peanut and butter sandwiches, and other snacks for when they were working in the field.

He said the days typically began at 2:30 a.m. with the food preparations and wouldn't end until about 11 p.m. All the while, he said, they were dealing with tubs of foods, cooking in huge pots and "coolers that were slam full of chicken."

"We can cook some food now," Bennett said in a mix of wonder and understandable braggadocio.

He said once the operation ceased in Leon County after a week, the crew rested two days and then headed for Blountstown in Calhoun County, where the mobile kitchen was still stationed as of this week.

"We're now feeding 100 linemen and city workers three times a day," Bennett said, adding that the Calhoun operation was "a piece of cake after Tallahassee."

He said the agreement initially called for Johnston's to be in Calhoun County a week. But late last week, officials there informed his father that the service would be needed another two weeks.

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The public safety of the citizens of Jefferson County should never be influenced by who you are, where you live, whether I like you or not, it should always be based on a strong commitment to keeping our neighborhoods safe and secure. It is vital that a strong relationship of mutual trust between the Sheriff department and the community be established in order to maintain the public safety and effective policing. The community needs a Sheriff's department that will listen to the community views, opinions and take action to make choices that are fair and not one of convenience. I will encourage employees of the department to get involved, and participate in community events, be innovative, and make a difference in the work place as well as being a contributor within the community. I will make the Sheriff's office more accessible, responsive, inclusive, open and more visible and active throughout the entire county.

My desire, dedication and the determination to become the next Sheriff of Jefferson County, stems from a strong commitment to service. This desire is not for any praise, notoriety, political reasons, or self-gratification. This desire is natural because Jefferson County is my home and home is where the heart is. I feel the safety of our families, kids; neighbors and friends deserve the best! I hope my longevity in the community serves as a testament to my commitment and passion to serve Jefferson County.

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**Thank you!**

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# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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**November 2**

Rotary meets at 12 p.m. on Fridays at the Jefferson Senior Citizens Center for a meeting, program and lunch. For more information contact President Matt Coniglio at (850) 566-0271.

**November 2**

Monticello Jamboree Band and friends perform at 7 p.m. on Fridays at 625 South Water Street. Join for dance music, door prizes, soft drinks and snacks. This is a nonprofit charitable event; donations are accepted. For more information contact Darlene Aldrich at (850) 556-5218.

**November 3**

New Bethel AME Church is offering its bus to take Jefferson County residents to the polls to vote on Saturday. Contact John Peck at (850) 661-3295. Rev. Jimmie F. Dickey, church pastor.

**November 3**

Veterans Celebration Luncheon and Program at 11 a.m. on the first Saturday in November at First United Methodist Church, in the fellowship hall. There will be a short tribute to veterans followed by a barbecue-style lunch, served at no cost to all Veterans, with a suggested donation of \$5 for all others. Let's show our local Veterans how much we appreciate what they have done and what they are doing. All Veterans are requested to share their pictures, name, rank, branch and period served. This will be included in the celebration for recognition. Send your pictures to Pastor John Hicks at [jandkhicks@aol.com](mailto:jandkhicks@aol.com) or drop them off at the church office.

**November 3**

Monticello Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce will hold its 4<sup>th</sup> annual Jefferson BBQ Fest from 3 to 9 p.m. on the first Saturday in November at 380 North Cherry Street. The event will include a barbecue contest with a People's Choice category and contests for bakers and pies. There will be a beer garden and entertainment by the Baby Gray, a soulful, funky, rocking, country, pop band. Contact Chamber Executive Director Katrina Richardson for contest and vendor information at (850) 997-5552 or go to [monticellojeffersonfl.com/event/bbq-fest-2018](http://monticellojeffersonfl.com/event/bbq-fest-2018).

**November 3, 7, 10**

Jefferson Arts Gallery is open for viewing from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Wednesdays and Saturdays at 575 West Washington Street. Or you may call (850) 997-3311 for an appointment. For more information contact Susan Rissman at [srissman4766@embarqmail.com](mailto:srissman4766@embarqmail.com).

**November 3, 4, 5**

AA meetings are held at 8 p.m. on Mondays, Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays at Christ Episcopal Church annex, 425 North Cherry Street. For information call (850) 251-0278. Father Jim May, church pastor.

**November 4**

Central Baptist Church Aucilla will celebrate its 111th Homecoming beginning with a special Sunday Morning Worship Service at 10:30 a.m. and a home-style meal will follow in the fellowship hall. There will be special music and great fellowship. Rev. Daryl Adams, pastor. For more information call (850) 251-0129.

**November 4**

VFW Post 251 meets at 5 p.m. on the first Sunday at the former full-service building on the old Jefferson Elementary School campus at Mamie Scott Drive and Rocky Branch Road. Contact Ned Hill at (850) 339-5524 for more information.

**November 5**

VFW Post 251 Auxiliary meets at 6 p.m. on the first Monday at the former full-service building on the old Jefferson Elementary School campus at Mamie Scott Drive and Rocky Branch Road. Contact member Mary Madison at (850) 210-7090 for more information.

**November 5**

Jefferson County Lions Club meets at 6:30 p.m. on Mondays at the county health department annex. For more information about this service organization and its fundraising efforts, contact Lion June at (850) 997-1754.

**November 5**

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](mailto:arudd@att.net).

**November 5**

Breastfeeding Support Classes at 11 a.m. on Mondays at the Jefferson County Health Department, 1255 West Washington Street. For more information call (850) 342-0170.

**November 6**

Community Friends of Jefferson County will meet at the RJ Bailar Public Library at 6 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month to empower individuals to

change their communities through education and involvement. For more information contact Franklin Brooks at (850) 509-7506 or Ann Herring at (850) 997-2463.

**November 6**

Monticello Woman's Club meets at 11:30 a.m. on the first Tuesday at the clubhouse on East Pearl Street for a program, lunch, and a meeting. Contact President Diane Braren at (850) 264-6533 for more information.

**November 6**

Monticello-Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce Membership meeting will be held on Tuesday from 12 to 1 p.m. at 420 West Washington Street for a program, speaker, and lunch. The November meeting will be catered by Rancho Grande. Speaker will be Sharon Brave Heart with NFCC. She will discuss the career and technical education programs available. Call (850) 997-5552 for more information.

**November 6, 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.

**November 7, 21**

First Presbyterian Church, 290 East Dogwood Street, 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 [eagleswingmonticello@yahoo.com](mailto:eagleswingmonticello@yahoo.com). Rev. R.C. Griffin III, church pastor.

**November 7**

Kiwanis Club meets at 12 p.m. on Wednesdays at the Jefferson Country Club for a program and lunch. For more information contact President Brandi Matthews at (850) 508-3429.

**November 7**

Cub Scout Pack 803, sponsored by Monticello Kiwanis, will meet at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesdays at the Eagle's Nest on South Water Street, for boys and girls ages 6-10. Contact Phil Smith at (850) 342-0196 or (850) 509-1873.

**November 8**

Pillow Pals meet at 9 a.m. on the second Thursday at the Jefferson Senior Citizens Center to create handmade pillows for cancer patients. For more information contact Linda Henry at (850) 997-6914 or Marilyn Youtzy at (850) 997-4632.

**November 8**

EOC Amateur Radio Club will meet at 7 p.m. on the second Thursday at the Emergency Operations Center, US 19 S, under the blue water tank. All are welcome. For text alerts of Club news and events to your smart phone text JEFFARES to 84483. For more information contact Andy Rudd at (850) 694-6006 or [arudd@att.net](mailto:arudd@att.net).

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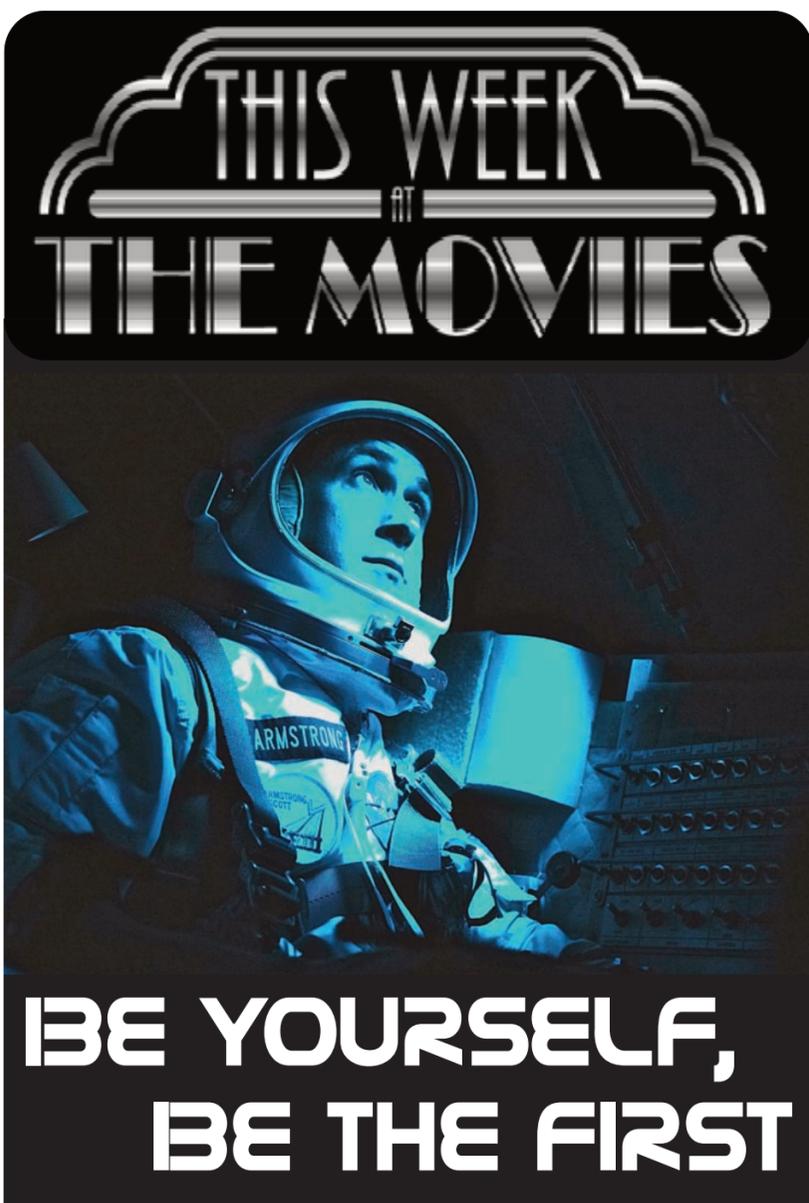
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By Paul Hall

First. Rarely do we remember who was second to anything. Super Bowl winners are often remembered, but the team that lost in the Super Bowl? We all know Jackie Robinson broke the color barrier in Major League Baseball, but few know Larry Doby was the second. In the new film

*First Man*, we see life unfold through the first to walk on the surface of the moon.

Most people are aware that Neil Armstrong (Ryan Gosling) was the first man to walk on the surface of the moon. But what made Armstrong tick? What were his motivations? What drove him? Who really was Neil Armstrong? This new film from director Damien Chazelle (*La La Land*, *Whiplash*) will attempt to give us a deeper understanding of a fascinating yet flawed man who was part of one of the most iconic moments in history.

In the film we get obvious glimpses of the space program, the enormity of everything surrounding the task of going to the moon and the geopolitical environment of the day. But this is more than a standard-issue film about going to the moon – this is a personal film about the man who took that first step.

Armstrong faced tragedy early in his career, a tragedy that almost derailed him on a very personal level. But his support system led by his wife Janet (Claire Foy) was there to keep him going. Despite not being able to open up about his personal issue, he was able to be a brilliant addition to the team working on the Gemini project. Setbacks and tragedy would be a regular occurrence for Armstrong along the way, but he kept focused on the task at hand of eventually heading to the moon.

The NASA community was tight-knit – probably still is – and those involved were all in on the equation. The entire family unit was needed to make these missions successful both

in front of and behind the cameras. And they faced the challenges together.

Such a strong performance is delivered here by Gosling. He encompasses the layered depth of the iconic American figure. His ability to deliver moods in the variety of sequences is truly special.

Chazelle's visuals and sound (or lack thereof) are what brings the story together. He creates a film that makes viewers feel like they are a part of every success and every failure along the way. His use of sound to enhance a situation is absolute mastery. Through the rumble of an engine taking off, to a car speeding away, to the total silence that envelops the theater at moments, this film begs to be seen on the biggest screen with the best sound system you can find.

Will we ever witness a moment this iconic in our future? Maybe a person setting foot on Mars? Maybe a cure for cancer? But, most likely, nothing as uniting and weighty as the first man on the moon will occur in my lifetime, or many lifetimes for that matter. To be first is an amazing achievement, but the man or woman that goes first also has a story that makes them who they become. Be the first, break new ground, and use your successes and failures to get there and motivate you for tomorrow.

**Paul's Grade: B+**

**First Man**

Rated PG-13  
Stars: Ryan Gosling, Claire Foy, Jason Clarke  
Director: Damien Chazelle

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**Boy Erased**

Rated R  
Stars: Lucas Hedges, Nicole Kidman, Russell Crowe  
Director: Joel Edgerton

Jared struggles with his attraction to other boys while living under the roof of his father, a Baptist preacher. After he is outed to his parents, they send him to a church-supported gay conversion program.



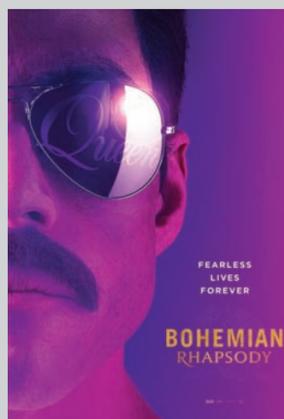
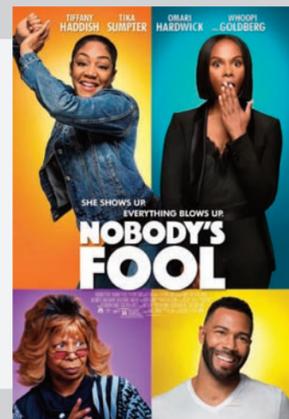
**The Nutcracker and the Four Realms**

Rated PG  
Stars: Keira Knightley, Mackenzie Foy, Misty Copeland  
Directors: Lasse Hallström, Joe Johnston  
Travel with Clara to the Four Realms as she searches for a key to restore order to the kingdom. Magic, mystery and more await young Clara, known in the Realms as a princess.

**Nobody's Fool**

Rated R  
Stars: Tiffany Haddish, Tika Sumpter, Omari Hardwick  
Director: Tyler Perry

Someone has been catfishing Tanya's sister, and Tanya, now that she has been released from jail, has her sister's back. They are about to get to the bottom of things while having fun along the way.



**Bohemian Rhapsody**

Rated PG-13  
Stars: Rami Malek, Gwilym Lee, Ben Hardy  
Director: Bryan Singer  
A celebration of all things Queen. Their music and their lead singer Freddie Mercury defied stereotypes and left their mark on the industry. The story of the beloved band culminates in one of the most epic performances of all time.

# A stitch in time

## Free hand embroidery class coming up at the library

Ashley Hunter  
ECB Publishing, Inc.

It is a sewing technique that has been used to tailor, patch and reinforce cloth as far back as the third century.

There is no single country or civilization to credit with the creation of the hand stitching technique, as it comes from around the world.

Greek myths credit the goddess Athena with skill in the art of this particular stitch (along with weaving).

Wherever you look in history, in culture, you will find embroidery decorating rugs, clothing and much more.

Today, you can still find embroidery on various

garments and household items, but the art and craftsmanship that goes along with the stitching is not as common as it once was.

On Saturday, November 17, however, the Jefferson Public Library will host a gathering of embroiderers to teach the craft to those who wish to learn, as well as to provide a time for those who enjoy the art of embroidery to get together and socialize.

For those who are interested in attending so that they can learn a new art form that is both beautiful and functional, the event will provide patterns, thread floss,

needles and other supplies. Basic hand embroidery stitches will be taught.

And for those who are interested in attending to socialize with other needle craftspersons, bring your current needlework project and enjoy a time of stitching and socializing.

The event will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. at the library, which is located at 375 S. Water St. in Monticello.



Learn the craft of hand embroidery with Natalie.

We will learn and practice basic hand embroidery stitches and spend some time stitching, socializing and learning from each other. Embroidery patterns, floss, needles and other supplies will be available, but you can also bring your own project and supplies and spend time with other stitchers.

All skill levels are welcome, including kids and teens.



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For the adults, this will be a wonderful opportunity to cross off some names from the Christmas gift list as you browse the assortment of vendors set up for the fair.

Whether you are looking for homemade candles, customized monogrammed goods, beautiful handcrafted soaps, woodworked items, unique jewelry and fashions, pickled and canned goods, children's toys or art

pieces – there will be a little bit of something for everyone!

The fair will be held at Barrington Field (right on the Leon/Jefferson County line, behind the Hill Top Store), located at 252 Gamble Rd., in Monticello. It will be open from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Parking will be free and on-site. Admission to this country fair will be free. Entertainment will be provided live by DJ L-Smooth.

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**Jefferson Somerset**

**Karisha Wade**



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A cheerleading veteran of five years, eleventh grader Karisha Wade says her mother was the reason she got into cheering.

"She inspired me to do cheering," said Wade.

Throughout her years as a cheerleader, Wade says that she has enjoyed the sense of spirit and discipline that being on the cheer squad has given her.

"I just like to have fun with it," said Wade.

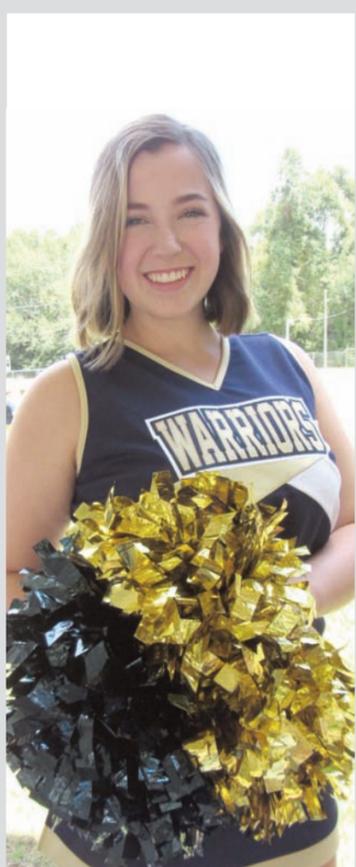
17-year-old Wade is also a member of the flag football and softball team at Jefferson Somerset.

When she isn't cheering on Jefferson Somerset's athletes, or performing on the field herself, Wade says she can be known by her goofy, funny and playful personality.

Karisha Wade is the daughter of Fawntisha Wade.

**Aucilla Christian**

**Bailey McCleod**



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Bailey McCleod is one of the high schooler cheerleaders who lead the crowd and rally on the Aucilla Christian Academy Warriors at every game.

16-year-old McCleod is an eleventh grader at ACA, and says that her interest in cheering began when she was little.

"I have always wanted to be a cheerleader for Aucilla ever since Junior Cheer Camp when I was little," said McCleod.

Her experience as a cheerleader has spanned for six years.

"I love all of the great friends I get to hang out with and the memories we make throughout the season," adds McCleod.

Outside of cheering, McCleod loves cooking, baking, and doing hair and makeup.

Fun Fact about Bailey McCleod: "I actually have an Instagram fully dedicated to hair and makeup."

Bailey McCleod is the daughter of Jennefer and Brad McCleod.

**Pigskin Poet**

It's hard to believe that we're arrived at week 10,  
We still don't know who will be out  
and who will be in.  
We know that Alabama is in Death Valley  
over at Baton Rouge,  
The Tide will cover the spread and will not lose.

Clemson hosts the Louisville Cardinals  
to move to 8 and 0,  
If the Tigers win out they'll be in the big show.  
Northwestern hosts Notre Dame  
still in contention for the Big 10,  
Sorry Wildcats the Irish pull this one out  
long before the end.

For Michigan to get in they must run the table,  
Over at Penn State the Wolverines  
will be ready, willing and able.  
Georgia beat Florida in Jacksonville  
and had all the fun,  
The Dawgs must do it all again this week  
up in Lexington.

Oklahoma rides it out  
with a big win over Texas Tech,  
If the Sooners make the finals,  
their fans will be a nervous wreck.  
Ohio State routs Nebraska  
up in the Big Horseshoe,  
The Huskers don't have a chance  
and won't know what to do.

UCF entertains Temple down in old Orlando,  
The Knights move to 9 and 0  
but have no place to go.

West Virginia and Texas meet in Austin  
for the big showdown,  
The Mountaineers rope'em  
and will take the Big 12 crown.

Washington State is still on track  
heading to the Rose Bowl,  
The Cougars double up on California  
so I'm told,

Last week Florida had a good effort  
but couldn't come through,  
This week the Gators rebound big  
with a win over Ole Mizzou.

Mississippi State will pen the Warhawks  
with all hands on deck,  
Boston College slips by the Hokies  
over at Virginia Tech.

Utah takes it on the road to engage  
Arizona State in Tempe,  
The Utes are on a roll  
and won't come up empty.

Houston beat South Florida  
to move to number 17,  
The Cougars overcome SMU  
but they are not the best I've seen.  
The Mid-American Conference  
has 5 games during the week,  
Sometimes I don't know if they are  
playing football or hide and seek.

The Ball State Cardinals  
fall to the Rockers up at Toledo,  
The Redhawks from Miami  
get trampled by Buffalo.

Akron gets nipped by the  
Huskies from Northern Illinois,  
Bowling Green slides by Kent State  
to everyone's joy.

The Ohio Bobcats get smothered  
by Western Michigan at Kalamazoo,  
Georgia Southern will take care  
of the Louisiana-Monroe crew.  
Virginia jumped up to be ranked a solid 22,  
The Cavaliers will show Pittsburg  
what they can do.

Western Kentucky will fall to Middle Tennessee,  
Minnesota will bury Illinois for all to see.

Air Force is grounded by the  
Army Black Knight,  
Wake Forest loses to Syracuse  
without much of a fight.

Michigan State spears Maryland  
over at College Park,  
Mississippi bounces South Carolina  
hoping to regain some of that old spark.  
Auburn loses a close one to Texas A&M,  
Chances of the Tigers beating Georgia  
and Alabama are very, very slim.

Arizona will stampede the  
Colorado Buffaloes from Boulder,  
Oklahoma State gives the Baylor Bears  
the cold shoulder.  
Iowa State will blow by Kansas  
out on the plains,  
The Jayhawks are trying, in fact,  
they have won 3 games.

Georgia Tech will run all over  
North Carolina up at Chapel Hill,  
Arkansas State forges by South Alabama  
from down at Mobile.

Stanford is crushed by  
Washington up in Seattle,  
Wyoming lassoes San Jose,  
the Cowboys are back in the saddle.

Marshall thunders by the Eagles  
from Southern Miss,  
Georgia State passes by Texas State  
in total bliss.

Iowa is still ranked with a record of 6 and 2,  
This week the Hawkeyes derail  
the Boilermakers of Purdue.

The UTEP Miners will win  
their first game over Rice,  
TCU's win over Kansas State will be nice.  
The Florida Atlantic Owls are grounded  
by Florida International,  
UAB blazing by UTSA will be rational.

Oregon flies by UCLA up in Eugene,  
Southern Cal beats Oregon State,  
the Trojans have the best team.

Utah State's rise in the poll  
is starting to cause a commotion,  
This week the Aggies beat Hawaii  
in the middle of the Pacific Ocean.

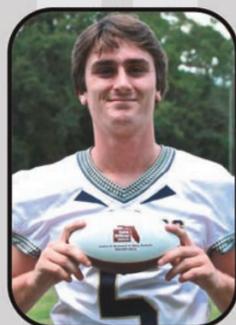
Boise State will silence the Cougars from BYU,  
Fresno State will overpower that UNLV crew.  
San Diego State will take care of New Mexico,  
As to what else happens, I just don't know.

**Farm Bureau  
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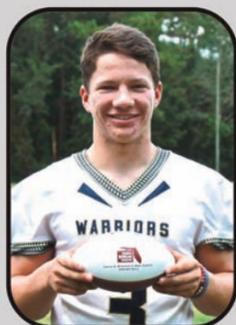
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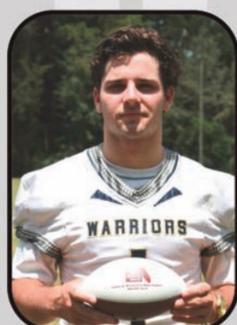
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**Lady Tiger Shaumese Massey decides her game plan as she dribbles down the court. Massy scored 10 points in the game with Maclay.**

# 80 years ago, Earth was invaded by Martians

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“We know now that in the early years of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, this world was being watched closely by intelligences greater than man's and yet as mortal as his own. We know now that as human beings busied themselves about their various concerns, they were scrutinized and studied, perhaps almost as narrowly as a man with a microscope might scrutinize the transient creatures that swarm and multiply in a drop of water.”

So began a particular Sunday evening on October 30, 1938.

Orson Welles was behind the microphone that evening as he opened up the broadcast of Welles' Mercury Theater Company's production of *The War of the Worlds*.

Only 23 years old, Welles was already an established radio presence.

When he began his *War of the Worlds* program at 8 p.m. that Sunday, he didn't intend for the program to be considered a hoax or fill his audience with terror. Before the golden age of television, Sunday evenings were for families to gather around the radio and listen to the evening's broadcast.

8 p.m. on a Sunday night was a prime time for radio programs, but most radio listeners didn't tune on automatically to Welles' drama production on CBS; rather, it is estimated that at 8 p.m., the majority of Welles' eventual audience had their radios tuned onto NBC, where ventriloquist Edgar Bergen and his wooden dummy were performing a comedy sketch.

At 8:12 p.m., the sketch ended and a little-known singer came on the NBC radio channel.

This was when many believe that Welles' listeners turned their radio dials to CBS – where the Martian invasion drama was already taking place.

Beginning the program, Welles had introduced the story as a play of fiction that was being produced for the air by the Mercury Theatre Company.

Listeners who had been tuned in the entire time would have heard the opening introduction, but for the many listeners who tuned into the CBS channel later in the program, they would have been met with a drama that sounded frighteningly real.

The radio program was designed to appear as a simulation of normal evening radio broadcast, complete with a weather report and musical pieces provided by the fictional 'Ramon Raquello' and orchestra (including a musical piece that, humorously, was titled 'Stardust').

After a few minutes of peaceful instrumental music, a news flash interrupted the program to inform the listeners about strange explosions that had been observed on Mars.

The music returned only to be broken again by an interview between two of the Mercury Theater Company's characters, Reporter Carl Phillips and Professor of Astronomy Richard Pierson, the latter who was voiced by Welles himself.

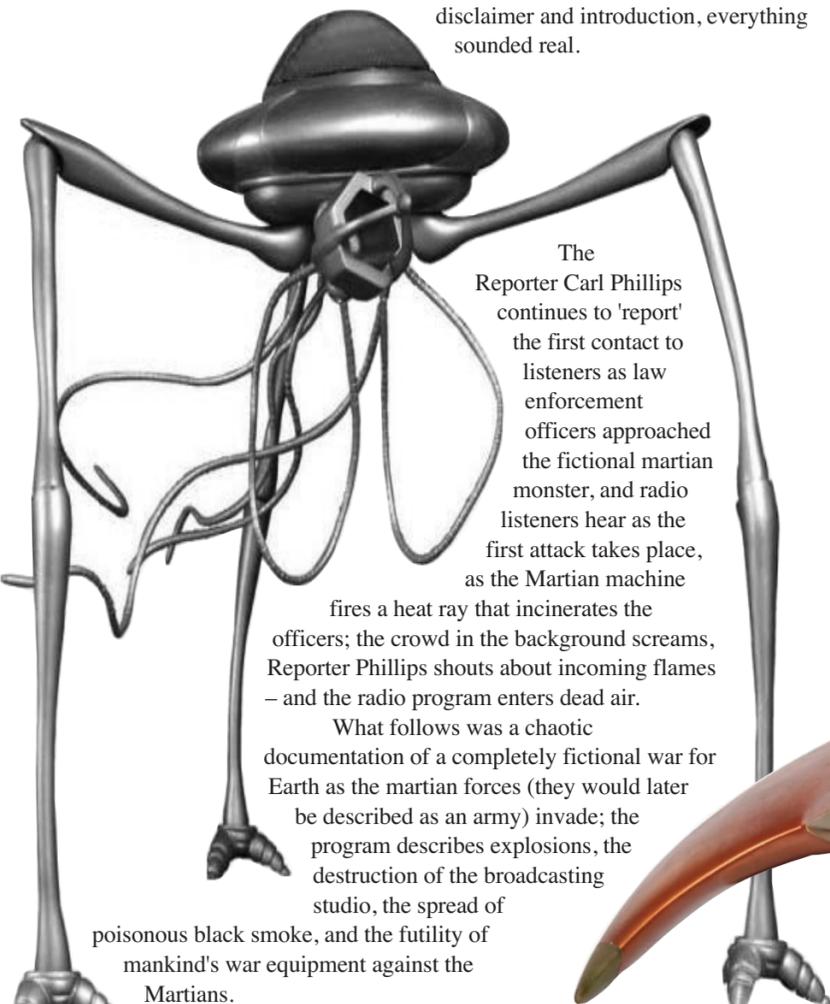
Pierson dismissed the speculation that life could exist on Mars, perhaps setting up the mood for the radio drama that would follow.

Following the pleasant 'interview', the musical program returns, only for it to once again be broken by a breaking news announcement regarding an object had fallen from space and landed in the field of a New Jersey farm.

The characters of Reporter Phillips and Professor Pierson transported listeners to the scene of the crash, where the two conversed over the scene while background ambiance of a large crowd, emergency noises, and a generally chaotic atmosphere were played.

When Reporter Phillips began to verbally document the chaos of the crash scene, the strange fallen object began to open, and a martian machine emerged.

At this point, the program had not reached its first radio break, so to incoming listeners who had missed Welles' beginning disclaimer and introduction, everything sounded real.



The Reporter Carl Phillips continues to 'report' the first contact to listeners as law enforcement officers approached the fictional martian monster, and radio listeners hear as the first attack takes place, as the Martian machine

fires a heat ray that incinerates the officers; the crowd in the background screams, Reporter Phillips shouts about incoming flames – and the radio program enters dead air.

What follows was a chaotic documentation of a completely fictional war for Earth as the martian forces (they would later be described as an army) invade; the program describes explosions, the destruction of the broadcasting studio, the spread of

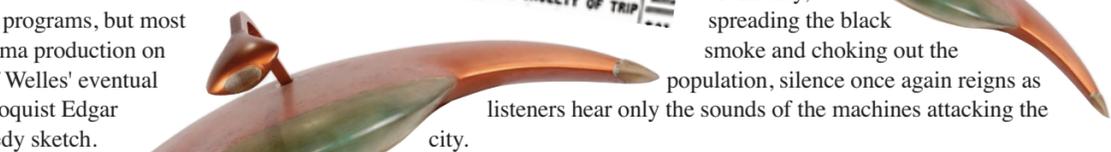
poisonous black smoke, and the futility of mankind's war equipment against the Martians.

After another (fictional) news reporter took to describing the scene of the invaders taking over New



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23-year-old Orson Welles caused nationwide panic when his radio dramatization of *The War of the Worlds*, the night before Halloween, was assumed to be factual by listeners.



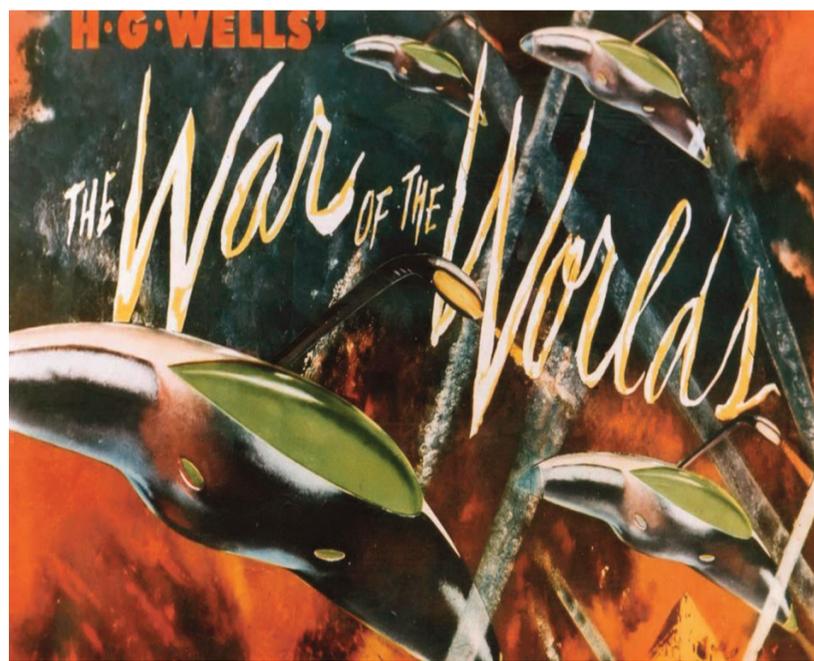
York City, spreading the black smoke and choking out the population, silence once again reigns as listeners hear only the sounds of the machines attacking the city.

Eventually, the ambiance is broken by a Ham Radio operator calling out into the broadcast, asking: "2X2L calling CQ, New York. Isn't there anyone on the air? Isn't there anyone on the air? Isn't there... anyone?"

After a period of silence, the program announcer Dan Seymour broke program to inform listeners that they were currently listening to Orson Welles and Mercury Theatre's dramatization of *The War of the Worlds*.

After a brief intermission, the drama program returned and completed itself with the return of Professor Pierson (who survived the attack in New Jersey).

As Pierson travels to New York, he witnesses the death of the Martians, who died after falling victim to pathogenic germs from Earth, of which they had no resistance.



With the dramatization over, Orson Welles returned to the programming, and popular legend claims that Welles' final announcement after the program was due to the realization that his dramatized broadcast had caused panic, and it was both Welles' and CBS' attempt at regaining their reputation with the public.

“This is Orson Welles, out of character, to assure you that *The War of the Worlds* has no further significance than as the holiday offering it was intended to be – the Mercury Theater's own radio version of dressing up in a sheet and jumping out of a bush and saying 'boo!'” said Welles, adding: “We couldn't soap all your windows and steal all your garden gates by tomorrow night, so we did the next best thing: we annihilated the world before your very ears and utterly destroyed the CBS.”

While Welles made it clear, both in his announcement and afterward in his talks with the media, that he had never intended to cause alarm with his program or for it to be taken seriously, there was an aspect of the dramatization that did help shape future regulations; the incident caused the Federal Communications Commission to place a ban on faux news bulletins being played within a dramatic radio program.

The legend of the hysteria and panic that followed *The War of the Worlds* broadcast episode may also be a bit more of an urban myth than pure fact.

While some people might have experienced panic after listening to Welles' broadcast, there were multiple breaks that advised the listeners to the fictional nature of what they were hearing.

But with this rumored 'hysteria', there was an opportunity to make money, and newspapers quickly cashed in.

The *New York Times* headlined the event, calling it “Terror By Radio”, and plenty of other newspapers followed suit; whether or not the general public had actually experienced widespread terror can be debated – but the newspapers made sure to make it appear like Welles' program had frightened millions.

Even H.G. Wells, the author of the *War of the Worlds* book, didn't believe that the rumors of mass hysteria were to be believed, instead, he passed off the rumors of America's terror as a play act by those who heard the dramatized program and wanted in on the Halloween prank.

Whether or not America was actually terrorized by Orson Welles' program, or whether it was all a myth to sell

newspapers, there are two definite facts: the first, that October 30, 1938, turned the young Orson Welles into a well-known name with a reputation that lasts even today, and that the program was meant as nothing more than an interesting dramatization of a story fit for the night before Halloween.

“So remember, for the next day or so, the terrible lesson you learned tonight: that grinning, glowing, globular invader of your living room is an inhabitant of the Pumpkin Patch,” said Welles in the final seconds of his legendary program. “And if your doorbell rings and nobody is there, that was no Martian – it's Halloween.”

# A&B Produce Farm: Laying a foundation for the future



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Allen and Bonnie Cook Baasch, owners and operators of A&B Produce Farm, stand in front of their 1953 Jubilee farm tractor.



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A&B Produce Farm had to be replanted just weeks after Hurricane Michael.

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The A&B Produce Farm was just one of several farms to visit during the 11<sup>th</sup> annual two-day Farm Tour scattered across the Florida Panhandle, sponsored this year by Majken Peterzen, executive director of Millstone Plantation.

Sunday afternoon was a perfect time to visit with Allen and Bonnie Cook Baasch owners and operators of the A&B Produce Farm. The weather was warm with sun and a mild breeze. Everything turned beautiful green after Hurricane Michael left his mark on the Jefferson County farm, off Freeman Road. The farm also backs up to a spring fed creek bed.

Most of the winter crops planted earlier this fall were lost due to the hurricane and the dry summer didn't help either, but the Baasch's are hopeful for a fine crop by year's end. The re-planted crops include cauliflower, cabbage and brussel sprouts. "We should have a good crop for sale if we can keep the deer and bears out of the fields," says Allen.

The farm crops are hand-planted with a stainless steel tool purchased online and the five-acres are worked and tilled using a 1953 Jubilee tractor.

The A&B Produce Farm shows alot of promise in the years to come. And, the Baasch's are very hard workers who care about seeing things grow.

They like knowing that what they are doing has a purpose. They enjoy watching vegetables grow from just a seed – a seed they planted.

"The vegetables we

grow and sell have nutritional value for every part of our body," says Allen. "The brain, lungs, heart, kidneys, liver and stomach all benefit from us eating vegetables."

Right now, they have a staging area for starting seedlings and working with the crop. As their farm produce grows and pays for itself, they are looking to add a cooler for storage and a packing house in time.

They've come along way since the farm's beginning in 2008. Laying a foundation for the water system, tilling the soil, building the greenhouses, marking the rows is a lot of work for two people especially when those same two people are full-time workers away from the farm. But, they are ambitious and excited to talk to people about their farm and its future. They will surely make it as full-time farmers someday soon.

A&B Produce Farm sells its produce to Red Hills Small Farm Alliance out of Tallahassee. It buys all locally grown produce, meats, cheeses, baked goods, garden plants, mushrooms and more in one convenient place. Everything for sale is produced within 100 miles of Tallahassee. It's Tallahassee's Online Farmer's Market. Product is shipped for on Sundays and picked up on Thursdays, every week.

For more information and directions about and to the A&B Produce Farm call (850) 519-0092 or go to [baaschdee@aol.com](mailto:baaschdee@aol.com).



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In the greenhouse at A&B Produce Farm, Allen Baasch demonstrates how he starts his vegetables. Once they get to a workable growth they are planted in the field.

# USDA reminds farmers and ranchers of approaching deadline

**2017 Disaster Program deadline approaches for Jefferson, Taylor, Madison, Leon, and Wakulla County agricultural producers recovering from the effects of Hurricane Irma**

U. S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Madison/Taylor and Jefferson/Leon/Wakulla County Farm Service Agency (FSA) Acting County Executive Director Melissa Rodgers reminds producers that the deadline to apply for assistance under the 2017 Wildfires and Hurricanes Indemnity Program (2017 WHIP) is Nov. 16.

“USDA has been working hard to provide assistance to farmers and ranchers impacted by the 2017 wildfires

and hurricanes,” said Rodgers. “I encourage producers who have not applied to contact our office by November 16 to make an appointment.”

The program was authorized by Congress earlier this year by the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018.

Eligible crops, trees, bushes, or vines, located in a county declared in a Presidential Emergency Disaster Declaration or Secretarial Disaster Designation as a primary county are eligible for assistance if



the producer suffered a loss as a result of a hurricane during calendar year 2017. Also, losses located in a county not designated as a primary county may be eligible if the producer provides

documentation showing that the loss was due to a hurricane or wildfire in 2017. A list of counties that received qualifying hurricane declarations and designations is available at [farmers.gov/recover/whip](http://farmers.gov/recover/whip). Eligibility is determined by Farm Service Agency (FSA) county committees.

Agricultural production losses due to conditions caused by last year’s wildfires and hurricanes, including excessive rain, high winds, flooding, mudslides, fire, and heavy smoke, could qualify for assistance through the program.

Typically, 2017 WHIP is only designed to provide assistance for production losses, however, if quality was taken into consideration under the insurance or Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) policy, where production was further adjusted, the adjusted production will be used in calculating assistance under this program.

Eligible crops include those for which federal crop insurance or NAP coverage is available, excluding crops intended for grazing. A list of crops covered by crop insurance is available through the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s (USDA) Actuarial Information Browser at [webapp.rma.usda.gov/apps/actuarialinformationbrowser](http://webapp.rma.usda.gov/apps/actuarialinformationbrowser).

Producers will be subject to payment limitations based on their average adjusted gross income.

Both insured and uninsured producers are eligible to apply for 2017 WHIP. However, all producers receiving 2017 WHIP payments will be required to purchase crop insurance and/or NAP, at the 60 percent coverage level or higher, for the next two available crop years to meet statutory requirements. Producers who fail to purchase crop insurance for the next two applicable years will be required to pay back the 2017 WHIP payment. Each producer will be asked to provide acceptable production records which must be either verifiable or

reliable production records. If a producer is unable to provide production records, USDA will calculate the production based on the higher of the producer certified production and the county disaster yield. Contact the Madison/Taylor FSA office at (850) 973-2205 or the Jefferson/Leon/Wakulla FSA Office at (850) 997-2072 to make an appointment to apply.

To locate your local FSA office, visit [farmers.gov](http://farmers.gov).

For more information on USDA disaster assistance programs, visit [farmers.gov/recover](http://farmers.gov/recover).



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Jefferson County Extension  
Agriculture and Natural Resources Agent  
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## Replanting after a hurricane

Thankfully, we were fortunate here in Jefferson County that Hurricane Michael spared us a direct hit, but the storm still caused some damage and took down plenty of trees. As the cleanup continues and the debris is removed, homeowner's may want to begin to think about replanting any lost trees, shrubs or plants, but before replanting, it's important to do some planning. As with planting anything, selecting the right plant for the right place will play an important role in the longevity of that particular plant.

The trees, shrubs or plants you choose determine how much maintenance your landscape will require and how long it will last. When selecting the right plant for the right place, it's important to consider the purpose the plant will serve in the landscape. Are you planting for shade, aesthetics, privacy, a windbreak, or wildlife? After selecting the plant characteristics you are looking for in your landscape, it's important to match the plant's growth requirements with the planting site.

**Site selection considerations:**

- **Temperature and moisture.** Can the plant handle the average annual temperature and rainfall for our area? We are located in the USDA plant hardiness Zone 8B. Choose plants that are recommended for Zone 8B.

- **Light.** Know your plant's shade tolerance - low, medium or full sunlight.
- **Soil.** Soil depth, structure, pH, compaction and drainage will all play a role in the success of your planting.

Plant selection considerations:

Choose low-maintenance plants suited for your site location. Once the plant is established in the proper location, it should require little, if any, supplemental fertilizer or pesticides.

• **Consider the size.** Most plants and trees are not full-grown when they are purchased. Make sure you're aware of how large the plant will grow before purchasing it. Remember to give the plant enough room to grow to full size.

Don't plant trees that will grow large beneath power lines, too close to your house, or in other potentially hazardous places that may result in property damage.

• **Aim for diversity.** Create a landscape full of native trees, shrubs, grasses and wildflowers to encourage wildlife. Monocultures (large areas of the same plant species) are more prone to disease and insect infestation compared to a diversified landscape.

• **Consider wind tolerance.** Some species of trees are less wind-tolerant than others, meaning that they are more likely to be damaged or blown over during a hurricane. The growth form and tree structure play an important role in determining wind resistance. Some examples of trees that appear to have wind-tolerance include: Live Oak, Southern Magnolia, Sweetgum, Holly, Sycamore, Swamp Chestnut Oak, Bald Cypress, Sabal Palm and Blackgum.

Selecting the right plant for the right place within your landscape will not only assure the success of the plant, but will reduce inputs and maximize your investment. For more information, contact the UF/IFAS Jefferson County Extension Office at (850) 342-0187 or [dsprague@ufl.edu](mailto:dsprague@ufl.edu).

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**Super 8 by Wyndham Hotel** Monticello looking for mature and professional **part-time night audit clerk**. Must be willing to work weekends and other shifts when necessary. A local background check is required. Must have dependable transportation. Call Flo at 850-997-8888. 10/31,rtn

**Super 8 by Wyndham Hotel** Monticello looking for a **part-time housekeeper**. Must be willing to work weekends and be on call. Local background check required. Call Flo at 850-997-8888. 10/31,rtn

**The Jefferson County Board of County Commissioners** is seeking applicants for two **PART TIME Collection Site Workers at the Solid Waste Department**. An application may be obtained online at <http://jeffersoncountyfl.gov> or at the Department located at 1697 S. Jefferson, Monticello, Florida between the hours of 7:30 am and 4:00 pm, Monday – Friday. Applicants must possess a valid Florida Drivers License, Social Security card, and high school diploma or GED equivalent. Applicants must also be able to lift 45 pounds, perform manual labor, understand and comply with oral instructions, read street and traffic signs, follow safety policies and procedures, and be skilled in using hand tools. Needs to get along well with people and be able to direct and explain where the different types of materials are to be disposed of. Applications will be accepted until 2:00 P.M., Wednesday, November 14, 2017 at the Solid Waste Department located at 1697 S. Jefferson. Jefferson County is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer and a Drug Free Workplace. Drug testing is a required part of the pre-employment physical. Applicants with a disability should contact the above office at 850-342-0184 for accommodations. 10/31,11/2,7,9,c

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**EMS Director/Fire Chief.** The Jefferson County Board of County Commissioners is seeking qualified applicants for the full-time Director of EMS/Fire Chief: One Position. The successful candidate will evidence a minimum of five years' experience in the EMS/Fire field, with a minimum of 5 years in a supervisory capacity is preferred. Current Fire Inspector, Investigator or Instructor license/certification preferred; Certification as EMT/Paramedic required. Chief/Director is responsible for departmental administration of the EMS/Fire Department. Responsible for direct administration and/or supervision of both Fire and EMS Staff Members working in conjunction with the Medical Director. Reports directly to the County Coordinator. Includes technical work in fire inspection of buildings and compliance with all adopted emergency codes. Drug screening and background checks are required. Veteran's preference will be given to qualified applicants. Jefferson County is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer/Drug Free workplace. To apply, send a Jefferson County Employment application to Human Resources, 1 Court-house Circle, Monticello, Florida 32344. Applications may be obtained by visiting our website at [www.jeffersoncountyfl.gov](http://www.jeffersoncountyfl.gov). Questions? Please contact Parish Barwick at (850) 342-0287 or visit our website at [www.jeffersoncountyfl.gov](http://www.jeffersoncountyfl.gov). Closing date for this position is Friday, November 30, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. 11/2-23,c

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# LEGAL NOTICES

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

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DATE: November 5, 2018  
TIME: 10:00 am  
PLACE: Annex  
Walnut Street  
Monticello, FL 32344 10/31,rtn

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR JEFFERSON COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION  
File Number: 18-94-CP

IN RE: ESTATE OF

JERRAL D. GLENN,  
Deceased.

## AMENDED NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of **JERRAL D. GLENN**, deceased, whose date of death was July 14, 2018 is pending in the Circuit Court for Jefferson County, Florida Probate Division under probate file #18-94-CP, the address of which is 1 Court-house Circle, Monticello, Florida 32344. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of the first publication of this notice is October 26, 2018.

Attorney for Personal Representative Jill G. Denton 165 E. Dogwood Street Monticello, Florida 32344 (850) 997-3503	Personal Representative Beverly Danice Glenn 237 Valley View Court Monticello, Florida 32344
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR JEFFERSON COUNTY, FLORIDA  
Case No: 18-94-CP

IN RE: ESTATE OF

JERRAL D. GLENN,  
Deceased.

## NOTICE OF ACTION

(FORMAL NOTICE OF PETITION OF SUMMARY ADMINISTRATION)

TO: WILLIAM J. GLENN  
Unknown Address

SARAH E. ENRIQUEZ  
Unknown Address

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that a Petition for Summary Administration, in the above estate has been filed in this Court. You are named as a beneficiary in this estate. You are required to serve a copy of your written defenses and or responses, if any, to it on Jill G. Denton, Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is Post Office Box 247, Monticello, Florida 32345, on or before November 26, 2018, and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise relief will be granted as stated in the Petition for the Summary Administration, without further notice.

Defenses objections and responses not so served and filed with be forever barred.

Dated this 22nd day of October, 2018.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR JEFFERSON COUNTY, FLORIDA GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION

CASE NO. 18000086CAAXMX

OCWEN LOAN SERVICING, LLC,  
Plaintiff,  
vs.

KENNETH ROBERT MAYFIELD; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF KENNETH ROBERT MAYFIELD; MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR SUMMIT MORTGAGE CORPORATION, DBA SUMMIT HOME MORTGAGE, INC.; SOUTHLAND ROWE ROOFING, INC., et al.  
Defendant(s).

## NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated 9/24/18, and entered in 18000086CAAXMX of the Circuit Court of the SECOND Judicial Circuit in and for JEFFERSON County, Florida, wherein OCWEN LOAN SERVICING, LLC is the Plaintiff and KENNETH ROBERT MAYFIELD; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF KENNETH ROBERT MAYFIELD; MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR SUMMIT MORTGAGE CORPORATION, DBA SUMMIT HOME MORTGAGE, INC.; SOUTHLAND ROWE ROOFING, INC. are the Defendant(s). Tim Sanders 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 November 15, 2018, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

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Dated this 27th day of September, 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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Hello Fall  
Squash

Squashes come in summer and winter varieties. Winter ones do not actually grow in the winter; in fact, they're harvested in late summer and early fall, but the name references the hard shell casing that protects the tender pulp inside. Zucchini are summer squash because their outer flesh is tender, while butternut, acorn, spaghetti, and hubbard squashes are winter squashes because they feature a tough skin. Even though it takes some effort to crack that shell, the dense, nutrient-rich flesh inside is well worth the workout.

## Gourds

Gourds are essentially ornamental squashes; they aren't cultivated for eating. Instead they are bred to look beautiful and unique in autumn centerpieces. Types of gourds include autumn wing gourd, warty gourds, turban gourds, and bottle gourds. Each gourd is unique in its shape and color.

## Pumpkins

Pumpkins come in ornamental and edible varieties. Even though all pumpkins can be consumed, some taste better than others. Small pumpkins tend to be decorative because, according to Nutritious Life, they do not have enough meat inside to make them worthy of cooking. However, sugar pumpkins are best for baking and cooking favorite recipes, states the resource Pumpkin Nook.



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