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## IN BRIEF

### Fire Department plans poker run

**BONIFAY** — The Gritney Volunteer Fire Department will hold its second annual Pancake Breakfast and Poker Run Saturday. The breakfast begins at 7 a.m. and costs \$5 per plate. Registration for the poker run begins at 10 a.m. and costs \$15 per hand. The department is at 2141 Tobe Retherford Road in Bonifay. For more information, contact Chief Jerry Hall at 768-1362.

### Holmes Chamber to meet Thursday

**BONIFAY** — The Holmes County Chamber of Commerce will meet at 7 a.m. Thursday for their April breakfast meeting, hosted by Covenant Hospice and the Chamber.

### Fish Fry Fundraiser

Mount Olive Assembly of God Church will have a fish fry from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. May 5 at New Hope Fire Station at 179A and Highway 2. We will also have cake for auction at noon. The funds raised will go to the church's building fund.

### Adult Driving Class

**BONIFAY** — Holmes County Council on Aging is offering

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# County warns of septic tank scam

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**BONIFAY** — Commissioner Monty Merchant said he had received several calls from concerned residents that someone was calling them to set up mandatory septic tank inspections during the regularly scheduled Holmes County Board of County Commissioners meeting on Tuesday, April 10.

“One lady said she called them

on it, and they hung up on her,” Merchant said. “It seems like the majority of the calls are coming from elderly people.”

Rick Davis, the new county interim health administrator from the Holmes County Health Department, came before the board to see if he could provide some insight.

“I know that I haven't officially started yet, but I'd like to give you the information I have,” Davis said. “I don't know who's calling these people, but even with the

bill yet to be signed it still isn't a requirement.”

Davis said as he understands it, it isn't mandatory for people to have their septic tanks inspected, but the bill would allow county commissioners to opt in and make inspections mandatory for their county.

County Attorney Jeff Goodman said he was waiting to make an official resolution for the county because the bill had yet to be signed.

“But for the sake of letting peo-

ple know, we as a county are making it perfectly clear that we are opposed to it and are opting out,” Goodman said.

Commissioner Kenneth Williams brought to the board his concerns about purchasing pipes for residents and collecting sales tax.

When a pipe needs replacing in someone's driveway, the county has been receiving money from the resident to purchase a pipe at

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# 'A NEW CHALLENGE'

## Former Marine, 71, riding ElliptiGo coast to coast to raise money for injured Marines

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**BONIFAY** — Rick Hermelin is a 71-year-old former Marine who has made his newest challenge a 100-day, 3,000-mile run from coast to coast on an ElliptiGo to raise money for the Semper Fi Fund, a nonprofit fund set up to assist the injured or critically ill members of the U.S. Armed Forces and their families.

Hermelin began his journey at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot in Parris Island, S.C., on March 23 and is planning on finishing in 100 days, landing him at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot in San Diego on June 30.

“I'm a former Marine and started in San Diego on March 23, 1959,” Hermelin said. “I served for four years, from 1959 to 1963 as an aviation communications technician.”

Hermelin said he wanted to stay active, and it wasn't long before he got a taste and a passion for running.

“It took me 35 years, but I achieved my goal of 100 marathons, 100 half-marathons and 100 10K races,” he said. “I wasn't done yet. I needed a new goal, I needed a new challenge.”

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RICK HERMELIN

### ABOUT ELLIPTIGO

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### ABOUT THE SEMPER FI FUND

The Semper Fi Fund is a nonprofit organization that provides financial assistance and quality of life solutions for Marines and sailors, as well as members of the Army, Air Force and Coast Guard who serve in support of Marine forces, when they become injured in post-9/11 combat or training operations or face life-threatening illness or injury. Our fund provides relief to qualified service members and their families for immediate financial needs that arise during hospitalization and recovery, as well as perpetuating needs such as home modifications, customized transportation and specialized equipment. The Semper Fi Fund has awarded more than 38,000 financial grants totaling more than \$57 million to our injured and ill service members and their families. For more information, visit [www.semperfund.org](http://www.semperfund.org).

# Bonifay breaks ground on wastewater system improvements

Special to the News

**BONIFAY** — Made possible with funding from USDA Rural Development, the city of Bonifay held a groundbreaking ceremony Thursday kicking off improvements to its wastewater collection system, which was put into service in the 1980s.

“This is a great day for the city of Bonifay,” said Mayor Lawrence Cloud. “Today we will break ground for our new modern wastewater treatment facility.”

USDA Rural Development awarded \$4,245,500 in funding for renovations to the system, which underwent a major upgrade and expansion in the 1990s.

The Florida Department of Health has noted that Bonifay's wastewater system has experienced excessive equipment failure over the years and that many of the current components are deteriorated, which if unchecked will affect the facility's ability to treat the wastewater on a consistent basis.

It also was reported that the collection system experiences significant inflow and infiltration problems, which might be a contributing factor to sewer backups.

Financed with \$1,856,500 in grants and \$2,389,000 in loans, renovations will include construction of a new influent lift station, headworks (mechanical screening facility, coarse screen, grit removal system), biosolids digestion/dewatering equipment, disc filters and general site improvements including fencing rehabilitation, hand-

rails around the sequencing batch reactor and a new laboratory/office building.

More than 80 percent of funding from USDA Rural Development's Water and Environmental Programs help finance water and wastewater systems that serve communities with populations of 5,000 or less.

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It just so happened that a friend of his had a love for bicycling but could no longer ride because of issues with his lower back, so he switched to the ElliptiGo, a machine on which you stand up straight and peddle.

"It reduces impact without taking away from cardio," Hermelin said.

He said it wasn't long ago that he heard of a program to raise funds for injured Marines and coincidentally the program was based in San Diego.

It wasn't long after that he started talking with ElliptiGo founder and former Marine Bryan Pate, and soon ElliptiGo became his main sponsor for his newest challenge.

"It's amazing how everything fell together," Hermelin said. "I needed a new challenge. I always wanted to go from coast to coast, and now I had worthy cause and a sponsor. I'm still in awe at how this all worked out."

His journey has brought him through many homes and agencies that are more than willing to help, he said.

"I've been hosted by individuals, former Marines, stayed with some great families and even some fire facilities," Hermelin said. "They've all

been so very kind and generous."

During his stay in Chipley, he was hosted by The Armstrong House, a ministry of the West Florida Baptist Association.

"This is a chance for me to meet people, real people," Hermelin said. "I could've stayed in hotels, but as an engineer, I know what it's like to stay in hotels, and you don't meet very many people that way."

He said it was important to meet people in order to spread awareness of the Semper Fi Fund. Hermelin said he set the goal at least \$10,000.

Individuals can track Hermelin's route at [www.100daysforthe corps.wordpress.com](http://www.100daysforthe corps.wordpress.com) and follow him on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/100daysforthe corps](http://www.facebook.com/100daysforthe corps).

"Day by day you can see where I am, and it's also the fundraiser page to donate," Hermelin said. "Anyone can look at my route, and if you know anyone who can host me, I would be very happy to be their guest, and I make a very good guest."

If you know anyone wanting to host Hermelin along his route, he can be contacted at [rahermelin@gmail.com](mailto:rahermelin@gmail.com).

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the core of Rural Development's mission," said USDA Rural State Director Richard A. Machek. "This project is an investment in the health of area residents as well as the environment and the future of the city of Bonifay."

USDA, through its rural development mission area, administers and manages housing, business and community infrastructure and facility programs through a national network of state and local guaranties.

For more information about USDA Rural Development visit [www.rurdev.usda.gov/fl](http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/fl).

"I would like to recognize some very important people connected to this project," Cloud said. "Area Director for Rural Development/USDA Diane Collar; Area Specialist for Rural Development/USDA JoAnn VanHall; RTD Construction Inc. Jason Baker; RTD Construction Inc. Steve Simpson; Hatch Mott MacDonald Amir Zafar; Hatch Mott MacDonald Shakil Amin; city grant writer Bob Jones; Council member Andrew Granger; Council member Richard Woodham; Paul Johnson; Chief Operator Sarah Ward; and Operator Bob Johnson.

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American Association of Retired Persons refresher driving course from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday, April 20 at the Ester Lodge 144 on Tracy Street in Bonifay.

This is a refresher driving class

for those 50 years of age and older and is \$12 for AARP members, \$14 for nonmembers.

For more information, contact JoAnn Albrilton at 547-2345 or Henry Day at 535-2657.

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county rates, and in turn the county retains the sales tax.

"I don't think we should be in the pipe buying business and collecting sales tax," Williams said. "We should make them purchase the pipes, and we'll even give them the name and number of the place we buy ours if they want it."

The board approved of Williams' suggestion to change the requirements.

"One the same token, I think if a person buys a pipe and we're maintaining it, then they should buy the pipe and the county put it in with no charge," Williams said.

The board approved to modify the ordinance so that if someone has a pipe put in and if the pipe corrodes or rusts, then the person will pay for the pipe, but the county will waive the permit and installation fees.

The location of the 911 dispatch center came up again with Holmes County 911 Director Clint Erickson explaining that with the new equipment, additional space would be required.

"Whether we stay in our current location or relocate, we've still got \$300,000 worth of equipment that needs to be put in full effect by law by June 2013," Erickson said.

"The next problem comes through our warranty of our current equipment expiring October of this year. The new equipment will have a year warranty as soon as it's installed, but until then, if we don't have the new equipment in use by October, we'll have to purchase an extension."

Erickson said one possibility that had been considered was moving his office to the new EOC building.

"The problem with that is there'd have to be a new T1 line installed with a cost of \$681, which would have to be picked up by the Sheriff's Office," Erickson said. "Right now, the three we're using are covered by the state, but

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they've clearly said because we're a rural community that they will not pay for an additional T line, so we'd have to eat the cost."

Erickson also said under the contract, wherever the equipment was set up at would have to remain there at least five years, and if it had to be relocated, it would cost \$20,000.

"If we could get additional room where they're located now, that would be ideal," said Chairman Ron Monk.

Bonifay Mayor Lawrence Cloud said the city would be willing to work with the county in any way necessary.

The matter was tabled until the next meeting when Holmes County Sheriff Tim Brown could be present.

The board approved to continue using its contract with the existing EMS Consultants for an additional six months because they've increased the percentage of people now paying their medical bills from 50 percent to 80 percent in the last six months.

Malinda Pollock, a representative for CDG Engineers, gave an update on the Holmes County Landfill, which has been closed for almost 13 years.

"Since it (the landfill) was closed in 1999, it has been required to be monitored on a yearly basis for 30 years," Pollock said.

She reported that all tests came back normal, and no action would need to be taken.

It came up that the county would need a DEP Petroleum Contamination Site Cleanup Contractor. Pollock said in 1986, the state started a project to clean

old petroleum sites.

"DEP is wanting to revisit all the old sites that haven't been funded for a while to check to see if they're still in danger levels or if the matter's been resolved; Holmes County's site was picked at random," Pollock said. "They mainly want to be able to say they were able to close out an old site with the new program."

She said there shouldn't be any worries about the old petroleum site because during the last test in 2008, the levels were very low, and she wouldn't be surprised if they were almost clear now.

The board then asked if Pollock would like to be their consultant during this process, and after Pollock agreed, the board approved of designating CDG Engineers as their consultant.

"They've done very well with our landfill, so I think we should make them our consultant and notify DEP of our choice," Williams said.

The board approved of Williams suggestion to help the Holmes County Health Department with their air conditioning replacement, which cost \$5,000.

Williams said they would take it out of their contingency fund and then after budgeting is finished the next year, the health department could pay them back from their contingency. That way, \$5,000 wouldn't have to be cut from their budget, allowing them to continue to provide all the services they normally do.

Whitney Nelson of Melvin Engineering was approved to continue paving County Road 179A to U.S. 90 and to County 181.

Nelson said they should be able to start as soon as possible so they can close the project out by June.

He said there would also be a new railroad crossing being put up in that area and that he would pave as close as possible to it.

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Little Miss Bonifay Dellany Daniels, Junior Miss Bonifay Keylee Glover and Miss Bonifay Paige Sellers crowned during this year's 2012 Little Miss Bonifay, Junior Miss Bonifay and Miss Bonifay Pageant.



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## Paige Sellers crowned Miss Bonifay

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**BONIFAY** — The competition was small but fierce as nine girls competed in this year's 2012 Little Miss Bonifay, Junior Miss Bonifay and Miss Bonifay on April 14, presented by The Bonifay Pageant Committee.

Competing for Little Miss Bonifay were Dellany Daniels, Kamryn Helm, Allison Hewett and Selena Pettis.

According to the Little Miss Bonifay rules, because Little Miss Bonifay traditionally competes in the Little Miss National Peanut Festival Pageant, the same requirements were given as the National Peanut Committee, which was an heirloom dress, not a pageant dress, which must be worn; no make-up; and a portfolio including a written paragraph in response to an impromptu question.

First runner-up for Little Miss Bonifay was Helm, and Most Photogenic and Little Miss Bonifay went to Daniels.

As Little Miss Bonifay, Daniels will have all her entry fees paid for the National Peanut Festival Pageant and Parade.

Competing for Junior Miss Bonifay were Keylee Glover and Melea Kirk.

The Junior Miss division was open to girls in the eighth, ninth and tenth grades.

Junior Miss Congeniality went to Kirk, and Most Photogenic, Best Evening Gown and Junior Miss Bonifay went to Glover.

Competing for Miss Bonifay were Alana Sheffield, Paige Sellers and Jezlein Powell.

According to the Miss Bonifay rules, the contestants had to be between the ages of 17 and 21 by the date of the National Peanut Festival Pageant, and their essays had to be written to an impromptu topic and judged before the pageant and limited to one minute. Each of the Miss Bonifay contestants' entry forms had to include transcript of grades and statement of future plans.

Miss Congeniality went to Powell, Most Photogenic went to Sheffield, and Best Essay, Best Evening Gown and Miss Bonifay went to Sellers.

As Miss Bonifay, Sellers received a \$1,200 educational scholarship and all entry fees paid for the National Peanut Festival and Parade.

For more photos and video of this year's Little Miss Bonifay, Junior Miss Bonifay and Miss Bonifay Pageant, visit [www.bonifaynow.com](http://www.bonifaynow.com).

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# Farming 101: Breaking new ground is an old task revisited

Since our youngest son has come to our rescue and is taking over most of the blueberry operation, I have revisited some old farming terms which I have forgotten. Glen has decided to add produce to the blueberries and his experience in agricultural production is nil except for his days in FFA with his dad as his teacher. Crop production was a limited part of that curriculum. I have been hearing terms lately like discs, bottom plows, scooters and scrapes, fertilizer distributors, planters, draw bar, etc.

I often wondered when I was a child how my Dad knew when to do what on the farm. In early spring, the boys and Daddy or whoever was helping that year, went out with the mule or mules and "broke ground." Using the bottom plows they made deep furrows into the soil where crops had been grown the previous year. By plowing around and around the field, or whatever pattern the farmer chose, the soil made "waves" as it was turned the same way. This has the same

effect as discing today. After that, I think they used a shovel or a middle buster and "laid off rows." A farmer took pride in making his rows arrow straight. My dad always complimented my oldest brother Jim for his straight rows. He wasn't so lavish with praise for brother Perry's straight rows. Other implements such as scooters and scrapes were used in the cultivation, but I'm not sure which did what.

Breaking new ground was a big step and we often had to help with that. Clearing brush such as gallberry bushes, persimmon trees and other growth was the first step. The arduous task of digging stumps with a hand shovel and an ax is replaced today by bull dozers, back hoes or other powerful equipment. The children's job was to pick up roots and limbs and tote them to a burn pile. After breaking up the new ground, we also had to pick up more roots and dirt clods. Some dirt clod wars always erupted. Daddy always liked to plant vegetables in new ground until he

ran out of places to plant.

Glen's produce venture is nowhere near the scale as his "Pa's." But planting in a Bahia grass pasture is close to new ground. There are chemicals today which can cut down on cultivation and hoeing, but care must be taken if such things as Treflan or Atrazine are used or damage to the crop will result.

Today, there is a huge market for products grown organically using no commercial fertilizer and only controlling bugs and weeds with "natural" products such as mulch for weed control and pepper spray or soap emulsion for bug control. I guess we used some "organic" fertilizer as we used the manure from the barn. However, we also used what we called Guano. I thought at the time that all commercial fertilizer was Guano, but I later learned that it came from bat droppings from the Guano Islands. (That was organic wasn't it?) In addition, corn was always side-dressed with nitrate of soda. Madaline McFatter and I have compared notes on our



**HAPPY CORNER**  
Hazel Wells Tison

"putting out soda." That was often Clyde and my job. Daddy showed us how much to put to a row and we'd hold the bucket between us. With the other hand he'd strew soda on one row and I'd strew it on the

parallel one. We have been known to bury some at the end of the row, if we failed to put out enough and came out with too much left over. Madaline's story involved burying corn at the end of the row. However, their error came to light when the corn began to come up.

The older boys usually ran the harrow behind us to lightly cover the soda. Since it was a light plow that had teeth — like projections on the bottom, it looked easy, but I never tried to do it as you always had to have the mule under control and not break down the young corn plants. (The Spring Tooth Harrow was heavier type of harrow but I'm not sure what it was used for. Maybe raking

potatoes after they'd been plowed up although we picked them up by hand and potato wars also erupted)

Not only do we have more weed and insect pests today than in previous years, another big nuisance is the deer population. I never saw a deer in the wild until the late 1970's and now they are so plentiful that we are looking into purchasing a Deer Guard as raising sweet corn and other vegetable crops is next to impossible. Maybe it will work to frighten some of the coon and opossum from the muscadine as well. If they eat blueberries, we don't miss them. We heard a new remedy for deer control. Stretch a wire from posts mounted at either end of the field. Soak rags in diesel fuel and tie them along the wire. Deer will not come near, according to one hunter.

It will be interesting to see how our produce venture turns out, but we know that regardless of how much effort we put into any farming operation, we are all dependent on the rainfall.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

# Lessons learned after running for office in the City of Bonifay

Dear Editor,  
I was a candidate in the March 27 Bonifay City Election, unsuccessfully I might add, and would like to express some observations formed by me from the experience.

First, I've learned there are over 1,700 registered voters per Supervisor of Elections Office in the City of Bonifay. In the March 27 election, 210 of those persons elected to exercise the right to vote. I congratulate the winner — He surprised the "establishment" (the incumbents and the city employees) — and my observation is that he did

his legwork in soliciting voters and, in turn, his constituency responded in an impressive manner to those efforts.

The subject of a property tax by the City of Bonifay was the primary reason for my declaration as a candidate, not that I'm of the opinion that the cost of establishing such a program could very well be funded by reducing the work force, rather than imposing more tax on the Bonifay taxpayer.

One means I developed from Holmes County Clerk of Court's Office, and from Holmes County Tax Collectors Office, is that the property tax assessment

is based on a \$403,055,500 valuation for the county as a whole, with \$80,082,608 of that amount from taxed property within the city limits of Bonifay, or roughly 20 percent of the total assessment being from City of Bonifay. I established from the Holmes County Board of County Commissioners 2011-12 budget that the Holmes County Sheriff is budgeted to receive \$2,754,892 for operation of it's functions. I had in mind to tender a motion, had I been elected, to request that the Holmes County Sheriff perform the functions now being performed by the City of Bonifay Police Department, or that 20 percent of his budget be given to City of Bonifay, to defray the cost of the City of Bonifay Police Department continuing — which would amount to \$550,978.40.

The current City of Bonifay budget shows \$212,912 for Bonifay Police Department salaries, plus the associated costs — vehicles, fuel, insurance, etc. amounting to more than \$25,000, which are funded from the utility tax that is paid by the people within the City of Bonifay that use, water, sewage, garbage, electricity, telephones, gas, etc. As an example, the current budget shows anticipated "utility" tax collected by Gulf Power from users within the city for the electricity being \$135,000, from West Florida Electric \$8,765, Chipola propane \$600, Amerigas \$2,924, and so forth; keep in mind that the city collects directly from each user of it's water, sewage, garbage, a 10 percent utility tax, again which is used to pay the salaries of the Bonifay Police Department. And this, in my opinion, amounts to double taxation of the residents, businesses, etc. who pay, first, a property tax to Holmes County for

funding of the various functions of the county, and then pay the utility tax to the City of Bonifay to pay for the Bonifay Police Department, etc. Understand, I am well aware that it would have required my vote and the vote of two other members of the Bonifay City Council to affect the motion. And, had it been successful, then, in parades, etc., instead of having three police vehicles, burning \$4 per gallon gasoline, three Holmes County Sheriff's Department vehicles, burning \$4 per gallon gasoline, and three Florida Highway Patrol cars, burning \$4 per gallon gasoline, that money could be saved. I might add, Holmes County Sheriff's employees already enjoy retirement benefits.

And, as has been recently mentioned in the county paper, the 911 telephone response people, located in the City of Bonifay Police/Fire station are slated to receive additional equipment and, based on those articles, I understand that the building will not accommodate the additional equipment. The director of emergency management has offered they be moved to the building located off Highway 90 East, behind the building where the emergency medical services — the ambulances — are to be found. It would seem to me that since we in Holmes County seldom have "emergency" situations (i.e. hurricanes, tornadoes, earthquakes, etc.) that meaning that the emergency preparedness and "emergency management" personnel are not overly taxed in their jobs, so why not combine those people, along with the 911 response people and the 911 mapping people into one entity, with a lot less personnel being required in one location. I have observed in the 911 office

at police/fire station, two people — I assume one is a City of Bonifay employee, the other a Holmes County employee — I guess if a 911 call from within the city comes in, the city employee answers; and, if from outside city, within the county, the county employee answers, and dispatches the appropriate city, or county law enforcement to the 911 emergency. If those functions are moved to the building on Highway 90 East, that would free the Bonifay Police/Fire Station building.

The Emergency Medical Services — the ambulance drivers, now housed in the building on Highway 90 East, between Highway 90 and the emergency management building, budgeted in the Holmes County Board of County Commissioners 2011-12 budget for \$1,189,553, which would cover the number of employees, could be moved to the Bonifay Police/Fire Station and their role be expanded to make them ambulance drivers/firemen. That is to say creating a "manned" fire station, as contrasted to a "volunteer" fire station, at the same budget figure should result in lower property insurance rates for all the citizens, city and county. I talked to the insurance agent about an estimate on the possible reduction, but he was unable to quote any sort of estimate because, according to him, the insurance companies bases their rates on a number of factors — equipment, number of fire hydrants, water pressure, etc. He said at present, residents of Chipley enjoy a rating of six, whereas, Bonifay residents have a rating of eight, meaning that Chipley's insurance rates are lower than Bonifay rates.

Another observation

was concerning grants. Those supposedly "free" gifts to city or county for that matter, and citing on that I've noticed the parks in Bonifay — East park, Middlebrooks park on Banfield Ave., Veterans Memorial park at the football field — first, I suggest the motivation for the "grants" that fund these entities is more for the benefit of the grant writer, since their take amounts to about 10 percent of the grant. Out of that will have to come the "influence" money to those persons who approve the grant, the influence money to the office holders that OK the application to be filed for the account of the city, county, state or whatever. This was one of my motivations in entering the city council race — to see just what the return is to the people in office, because I find it hard to believe that in the case Bonifay City Council, \$300 a month being worth the aggravation, headaches, complaints, etc. that goes with the job. Those grants are not free, and I invite residents to check the number of city employees that are required to maintain those parks on a daily basis. I've noted that those same city employees also maintain the property that is a part of Memorial Football Field, the parking areas west of Memorial Field, extending on to the parking areas and the property that is part of the Rec. Center parking area, all of which is derived from the 10 percent utility tax.

So, I will close and, should you decide what I've tried to say is worthy of printing in your paper, then my effort spent in putting this letter together, would be worthwhile.

Ray Brooks  
Bonifay

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# Nonconformists bring positive change

To The Editor:  
On the continued subject of the beatings our non-conforming students are getting in our Holmes County schools.

Disobedient students are disobeyed because they are unhappy with the status quo, with whatever they are being forced to conform to, with the rules, etc. However, this has been the cause of all human progress since the beginning of human history, this willing to be non-conforming and

actually doing something about it.

There is another word for disobedience, rebellion, and there is not a human being on the face of this Earth that has not been influenced by a rebel, rebels who have had so much influence as to make them some of the most important people who have ever lived. I would like to name a few: Spartacus, Jesus, Henry VIII, Oliver Cromwell, George Washington, Maximilien François Marie

Isidore de Robespierre, Simon Bolivar, Giuseppe Garibaldi, Vladimir Lenin, Mao Zedong, Fidel Castro, Jos Daniel Ortega Saavedra and many others, all who fought for human freedom.

God designed the human race to do only one thing, it creates new knowledge. However, freedom and dissatisfaction with the status quo is necessary for this to happen, and it does happen constantly. Would God forgive us if these freedom fighters had been beaten into 'conformity'

and PTSD during their formative years?

We are addressing the wrong thing when we beat students into conformity. We should rather be asking ourselves, what are we doing to THEM to cause them to do what we do not like? Just whose fault is it that they rebel, and when they rebel, whose side is justice on? ...and God? God obviously loves rebels.

Charles W. Smith  
Bonifay

# State's senior senator has local roots

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**CHIPLEY** — Although he was born in Miami, Democratic Sen. Bill Nelson said his family roots are in Washington County.

Nelson, the state's senior senator in Washington, was in the Panhandle this week meeting with business, civic and political leaders in Washington, Jackson, Calhoun and Gulf counties. He was holding town hall meetings across Florida, giving updates on recent happenings in Washington and hearing from leaders on issues affecting the local community.

"I have three grandfathers buried out on Orange Hill," Nelson said Thursday morning, speaking in Chipley. "I have been in this very room with my uncle Farrell attending the Chipley Kiwanis Club meetings." Nelson noted that his uncle Farrell also served on the Washington County School Board.

Nelson said his uncle, Dr. Donald Nelson, is currently in the hospital in Dothan. "He is the rock of our family," Nelson said.

Nelson said his great-great-grandfather, John Nelson, was a teen-aged

sailor in Denmark who stowed away on a ship after being involved in a brawl. "He was hiding and the ship put out to sea," Nelson said. "That is how he landed in Port St. Joe in 1829."

When the Civil War came to Florida, his great-great-grandfather was over 50, and too old to be a regular soldier, but he was part of the home guard. When the Union army marched from Pensacola to Marianna, Nelson's ancestor fought and was captured in Marianna, winding up in a Union prisoner-of-war camp in Elmira, New York.

The prison camp, in use from July 6, 1864, until the fall of 1865, was dubbed "Hellmira" by its inmates, according to the website censusdiggins.com, the prison's death rate was 25 percent.

During the 15 months the site was used as a prisoner of war camp more than 12,100 Confederate soldiers were incarcerated there; of these 2,963 died from a combination of malnutrition, continued exposure to harsh winter weather, and disease from the poor sanitary conditions on Foster's Pond combined the lack of medical care.

*"Our family's roots are here. It's part of our heritage."*

## Senator Bill Nelson

The camp's dead were prepared for burial and laid to rest by the sexton, an ex-slave named John W. Jones, at what is now Woodlawn National Cemetery. At the end of the war, each prisoner was required to take a loyalty oath and given a train ticket home. The last prisoner left the camp on September 27, 1865. The camp was then closed, demolished and converted to farm land.

Elmira Prison has been compared to its Southern counterpart, Andersonville, due to the high death rate, Nelson said.

"They only got thin, cotton tents there, and the only way we can figure that he survived is that because of his age, he was put in one of the actual buildings."

How the early Nelson returned to Florida from New York remains a mystery, but the senator suspects his great-great-grandfather went to the wharf and found a ship

bound for Florida.

"Our family's roots are here," he said. "It's part of our heritage."

Nelson's public service career began in 1972, with his election to the Florida Legislature. During his three terms, he helped enact the nation's first state law to protect consumers from computer fraud and advocated for responsible growth management laws, according to his website.

Elected to the U.S. Congress in 1978, he served six terms representing Orlando and the Space Coast and became an early advocate for a balanced federal budget.

In 1994, Nelson was elected to the Florida Cabinet as state Treasurer, Insurance Commissioner and Fire Marshal.

During his six years in the post, he earned his reputation as a common-sense problem solver and strong consumer advocate by fighting to keep insurance rates affordable for homeowners, cracking

down on life and burial insurance sales abuses that targeted the elderly and minorities, and forcing European insurers to honor unpaid Holocaust-era claims, according to his website.

A fifth-generation Floridian, Nelson was born in Miami on Sept. 29, 1942, and educated in Melbourne's public schools. He served his country as a captain in the Army from 1965 to 1971, both on active duty and in the Reserve. He has been married to his wife, Grace, since 1972 and

has two grown children, Nan Ellen and Bill Jr.

Nelson said Floridians living in Miami and Key West could not imagine the rural nature of Florida nor the wide variety of lifestyles and communities found in the state.

"Did you know that next year, we are expected to have a population bigger than New York?" Nelson asked. When that happens, Florida will be the third largest state, behind California and Texas.

"Everybody is moving here," he said.



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# Senator discusses future of space program

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**CHIPLEY** — The final frontier is far from being closed to the United States.

NASA has several new rockets in design which will take American astronauts not only to the space station, but eventually to Mars, U.S. Sen. Bill Nelson said Thursday while speaking to local residents, elected officials and business leaders in Chipley.

“The space program isn’t shutting down, it’s just warming up,” Nelson said.

Nelson, a democrat, was in the Panhandle this week meeting with business, civic and political leaders in Washington, Jackson, Calhoun and Gulf counties. He was holding town hall meetings across Florida, giving updates on recent happenings in Washington and hearing from leaders on issues affecting the local community.

The topic of NASA came up during the morning’s Q&A session, when Washington County Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Ted Everett asked why the government was dismantling the space program following last summer’s end to the shuttle program.

Nelson spent six days orbiting Earth in January 1986 as a payload specialist aboard the space shuttle Columbia. According to his website, “that experience gave him a new perspective on the Earth’s fragile environment and a greater appreciation of the importance of our nation’s space exploration program.”

“I think 98 percent of the American people feel the same way you do,” Nelson told Everett. “The truth is,

we think that because the shuttle program has been shut down.”

The shuttle program was shut down because following the Columbia accident in 2003, it was mandated that the shuttle program be used just as long as necessary to complete the space station.

The design of the space shuttle, with the craft being mounted on the side of the rocket, was not as safe as if the capsule had been on top of the rocket. Having the shuttle mounted on the side subjected it to debris from the rocket, Nelson said.

NASA is in the process of developing new rockets for carrying American astronauts into space, and the new design puts the capsule back on top of the rocket.

“With the capsule on top, if something goes wrong, it can separate from the rocket and parachute back to earth,” Nelson said.

Shutting down the shuttle program had a devastating effect on Brevard County, where 7,000 NASA employees lost their jobs. Brevard County is Nelson’s home county, he said.

“It was gut-wrenching what happened in Brevard County,” Nelson said. The number of workers at Cape Canaveral dropped from 15,000 to 8,000 following the end of the shuttle program.

“The goal was to shut down the shuttle program and replace it with a safer rocket,” Nelson explained. Unfortunately, the new rockets were not ready as soon as planned, but the first test launch of the new prototypes is planned for later this month from Cape Canaveral.

According to the website nasa.gov, the Falcon 9 rocket



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Sen. Bill Nelson, center, is welcomed to Patillo’s Thursday morning by area business leaders, civic and political officials. Nelson was in the Panhandle holding town hall meetings at various communities.

will launch the Dragon capsule to the International Space Station. Pending completion of final safety reviews, testing and verification, NASA has agreed to allow SpaceX to send its Dragon spacecraft to rendezvous with the station in a single flight.

SpaceX’s Falcon 9 rocket is targeted to lift off at 11:22 p.m. on April 30, on a mission to become the first commercial company in history to attempt to send a spacecraft to the International Space Station, according to the website nasa.gov.

SpaceX is formally known as Space Exploration Technologies Corp., founded by former PayPal entrepreneur Elon Musk.

NASA has also awarded SpaceX a contract to develop and demonstrate a human-rated Dragon as part of its Commercial Crew Development program to transport crew to the ISS. SpaceX is planning its first crewed Dragon/Falcon9 flight in 2015, when it expects to have a fully certified, human-rated launch escape system incor-

porated into the spacecraft.

Besides NASA contracts, SpaceX has signed contracts with private sector companies, non-American government agencies and the American military for its launch services. It has already launched, for a paying customer, a low earth orbiting satellite with its Falcon 1 booster in 2009. The company plans to launch its first commercial geostationary satellite in 2013 from a Falcon 9.

The Falcon launch vehicle family is designed to provide breakthrough advances in reliability, cost, flight environment and time to launch, according to spacex.com.

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Like Falcon 1, Falcon 9 is a two stage, liquid oxygen

and rocket grade kerosene powered launch vehicle. It uses the same engines, structural architecture (with a wider diameter), avionics and launch system.

The space station is huge, Nelson said, bigger than a football field. The launch on April 30 will send a test capsule to the space station with supplies and is part of the redesign efforts by NASA to come up with safer space travel. Future target dates for NASA include launches in 2014 and 2017 with the goal of reaching an asteroid on 2025.

Travel to Mars with current technology will take 10 months to get there and the astronauts would have to stay on Mars for a year until the planet was close enough to Earth for a return trip.

“One friend of mine is working on a plasma rocket that could get astronauts to Mars in 39 days, traveling at 400,000 mph,” Nelson said.

In March, NASA released plans for to use the space station to stage a mock Mars flight to train astronauts. It would be patterned after Russia’s mock flight to Mars that lasted 520 days at a Moscow research center. Six men were involved in that study, which ended late last year. They were locked in a steel capsule.

NASA’s future for manned exploration is up in the air as the debate drags on as to where astronauts should head in the decades ahead: the moon, asteroids and/or Mars. The cost promises to be a major factor, along with the development of rocketships big enough to travel so far.

NASA’s space station program manager Mike Suffredini said before as-

tronauts can fly beyond low-Earth orbit, they’ll have to spend more than six months aloft at a time. That’s the typical stint for space station crews. Five hundred days is more than 16 months.

The human endurance record of 14 months was set by a Russian cosmonaut aboard the Mir space station in the mid-1990s. Only two others – both Russians – have spent as long as a full year in space.

No NASA astronaut has spent more than seven months in space on a single mission.

Suffredini doesn’t expect any such Mars simulation aboard the space station to occur any sooner than two to three years. Physical as well as psychological questions will have to be addressed before anything of that sort is attempted, he said.

Steps are under way, however, for such an effort, and scientists and flight surgeons already are working on it. The goal would be to have all the data in hand so the space station can be used as a Mars test bed before its projected demise in 2020 or thereafter.

Suffredini said he expects the consensus ultimately will be to simulate “at least the first leg of a trip to a distant planet.”

Nelson said the ultimate goal is a safe, reliable “space taxi” — and that is what NASA is working on for the future.

“We launched a probe to Mars a few months ago that was the size of a Volkswagen,” Nelson said. “The future looks excellent for the space program.”

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Ed Johnson, heavy equipment operator, was surprised when he pulled the giant scoop of earth from the basement he was digging. "What is that?" he thought. "An old whiskey barrel or a wooden box of some kind?" He jumped off his backhoe to investigate. As he approached, his mind was racing. He could see that the wooden box was badly decayed and full of something. As he got closer, he could make out a sword, an old canteen and remnants of an old military uniform. While sifting through the box, he found a bugle, tattered papers and some military badges. It appeared to be the belongings of a soldier of some kind. He spent the rest of the day collecting and examining the items he had found. He needed to find out more.

The next morning he stopped by the local coffee shop to ask questions about the lot he was digging on. He stopped at the right place. Three elderly gentlemen were swapping stories as they did every morning. Ed approached the group and asked if they were from the area. They all laughed and said "Who's asking?" Ed explained that he was building a new house on a lot he recently purchased and told them where it was. One gentleman said, "Oh, you mean the old Norris place? That place was demolished over 50 years ago. Been an empty lot ever since." Ed was intrigued—he hadn't realized there had been a house there. "Place caught fire in the 1940's. I was just a school boy at the time—no one was home, but the place was a total loss. The charred remains sat there for 4 or 5 years before it was cleaned up. I walked past that place twice a day, five days a week, back and forth from school. Went all the way to the 8th grade," the fellow said with a smile. "After that, no one ever rebuilt on the lot. I'm glad to see somebody's doing something with it. Go down and talk to Larry at the court house. He can pull the plat book and tell you all about it." The old guy was right, Larry was a wealth of information. The original farm house was built by Elsie and Thomas Little back in 1845. They moved out and sold to Elijah Miller in 1883. Then in 1916, the place was sold to Henry Norris who tore down the existing two-room farm house and built a new house. That house burned down in 1943.

All of this was great info, now what about the military items? Ed needed to find out exactly what they were. When Ed learned that the Treasure Hunters were coming to town, he thought this would be his chance to learn more about the items he had found. The advertisement had said that the experts would offer advice on any antique and collectible items and they would do it for free. It also said that they would make offers to purchase items. He wasn't interested in selling, but you never know. Hey, if the price is right, who knows?

Ed walked into the hotel where the show was and followed the signs to the meeting room with great anticipation. "My heart was actually beating at twice the normal rate," he said. "As soon as I walked in I was welcomed to the show and given a number. They said it would be about 10 minutes until they would call my number. While I waited, I looked at all the unusual antiques on display. There were old toys, coins, silver tea sets and old metal signs. There was even a sword similar to mine. My number was called and it was the moment I'd been waiting for. I would finally learn about the items I had found."

Ed continued, "almost immediately after I sat down, Greg the antique guru was assigned to assist me said, 'hey nice Civil War sword and bugle. Where did you get them?' I told him my story and he said the family most likely buried the items in honor of the soldier who owned them, and who most likely fought in the Civil War." The soldier's uniform, or what was left of it, the sword and other items would have been distributed by the Union Army. The items were that of an infantry soldier and dated at around 1863. Because a bugle was found, this soldier was most likely the company bugle boy. Most buglers were young boys. Also, the hat in the collection would have fit a very small head—that of a 12 to 14 year old boy.

Greg also explained that since the uniform, sword and other items were together, the soldier most surely survived the war and returned home. Ed reflected that "learning about the items was very interesting and definitely worth the trip. The entire collection was valued at \$2,200. Most of the value was the sword and the bugle. I decided to take pictures and sell the collection. I had a great time learning about it and thought it should be in a Civil War enthusiast's collection. I'm actually having a small monument made in honor of the find and putting it at the exact location where it was found."

# Treasure Hunters are coming to Bonifay

BY DAVID MORGAN  
STAFF WRITER

Got Booty? If you have a coffee can full of old coins, an old guitar or maybe the costume jewelry your aunt gave you, it's time to bring it out of hiding. This week, Treasure Hunters will be in town and want to see what you have. These Treasure Hunters aren't armed with a shovel and metal detector, rather their weapon of choice is their expertise and the collectors they buy for. You see, these guys know all about diamonds, coins, antiques and collectibles, musical instruments and anything that's old. They are asking you to bring your booty

and make your best deal. These guys pay cash for just about anything that's old. The items they buy go straight to collectors all over the world. How much is a 1960 Gibson Les Paul worth? Well, to some, it might be worth a couple hundred dollars but to a serious collector it could be worth thousands, even ten's of thousands. These guys are buying for these collectors. They pay more for the things their collectors want.

The event is free to attend and there is no obligation to sell anything. If it's information you want, that won't cost you a thing. But be prepared, as an offer to purchase your treasures is highly likely. About eighty per-

cent of the stuff that comes into the show is purchased by these hungry treasure hunters.

According to the Treasure Hunters I talked to, the wait time to get your items looked at is usually a half hour or less. Once there, your items will be examined, identified and an offer will quickly follow. Then it's up to you...do I sell, do I hold out for more or do I walk? The whole thing sounds like a lot of fun and might put some jingle in your pocket. So dig up that booty and head down to the show. You might have the treasure they have been looking for!



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# Southerland visits Kiwanis Club

By RANDAL SEYLER  
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**CHIPLEY** — Service is the best type of leadership.

That is a value U.S. Rep. Steve Southerland of Panama City says he learned growing up in the family business, which happens to be a funeral home.

"If you call us at 2 a.m., then at 2:30 we are at your door in a coat and tie," Southerland, 46, told the Chipley Kiwanis Club on April 10.

A Republican, Southerland represents the state's 2nd congressional district in Washington, D.C., a place where service leadership, like common sense, often is lacking, Southerland said.

"We definitely have our challenges in Washington. Even our issues have issues," he joked.

Southerland said his family has lived in this district for more than 200 years, and the family business, Southerland Family Funeral Homes, was founded by his grandfather following World War II in 1955. Southerland is co-owner and president of the company.

"I had never served in public office before this election," he said, adding that in 1983 he was elected class president in high school. "So we're 2-0 for elections," he added, laughing.

In the funeral business, Southerland said his family "walked with people through a very bad time," and under those circumstances, customers often become more like family.

When Southerland sought office, he said there were quite a few jokes around Tallahassee about a funeral director running for office, but it was because of having been a funeral director that Southerland had what it took to win, he said.



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U.S. Rep. Steve Southerland of Panama City visits Washington County on April 10.

"It was because of the lessons I learned in that little house," he said. "Hard work, honesty and service."

Although Southerland had no magic wand to make people feel better after losing a family member, he said his family's way of helping was to "crawl down into the grief and hurt with them. The purest form of leadership is to get down on your knees and serve," he said.

Happiness is a mindset, Southerland said, and happiness has nothing to do with how much money one has or what items one possesses. "None of our funeral vehicles have a trailer hitch on them; nobody gets to take it with them," he said.

Southerland said he was raised to believe work was more than just an expectation, but it was a gift. Growing up in the funeral services, the family home had six telephone lines, and calls would come in all times of day and night.

"Sometimes we would have to turn the TV off because Dad was talking to someone, walking with them through one of the worst times of their lives," he said. "Sure, we would be disappointed, but we learned to handle it."

These days, people don't deal with disappointment very well, especially in Washington, Southerland said.

"For us, working was a gift, and

we had the opportunity to be successful, as well as opportunity to fail."

Although there are no perfect countries, just as there are no perfect churches, Southerland said America is one of the world's greatest, most benevolent countries. "When you're a Haiti or Japan, you love it when you see America coming, because you know we're bringing help."

The deficit problem the nation faces is one of the prime concerns for Southerland, and he says something has to be done to cut down on spending.

"If your tractor is stuck in the ditch, you don't start painting it," he said. "But in Washington, they go out and buy all kinds of paint, attachments... Get the tractor out of the ditch."

Southerland said his opinions make him sometimes unpopular with his own party in Washington, but that is all right with him. "I didn't go to Washington to be a congressman; I went to be a representative. I want to serve you, the people I represent."

"I don't want the day to come where I start thinking, 'Ah, I'm a congressman!' When I wake up in the morning thinking I'm a congressman instead of a representative, then I am going the wrong way."

# Broadband expansion creates need for Internet training

Special to Times-Advertiser

Broadband services have a huge impact on local economies by accelerating business expansion, job creation, and educational opportunities. Rural parts of Florida have fallen far behind urban areas in terms of broadband availability but that is now beginning to change. Driving the change is a \$24 million dollar federal grant used to build and add broadband infrastructure throughout the rural regions in Florida. Benefiting directly from the project are Florida's rural counties in the Panhandle, north central Florida and the Heartland region in South Florida.

Providing broadband services, however, is only part of the equation. Teaching new users how to take full advantage of the Internet is the next step. The Florida Learning Alliance and Workforce Florida Inc. have taken the lead in an initiative to address broadband education issues. They recently launched a multi-media campaign to teach new and novice users how to use the Internet.

The campaign centers on the development of an aggregate website that assembles topics such as health care, education, job services, Internet safety, as well as other important topics. The website, [www.floridainternettour.com](http://www.floridainternettour.com), simplifies and demystifies the process of learning by allowing the user to participate in a self-directed guided tour of the Internet.

According to Mary Bedford, the executive director of the Florida Learning Alliance: "Many rural Floridians, including children, have not had an opportunity to take advantage of all the Internet has to offer especially in terms of education. High-speed Internet can change that and this website will help make new users more comfortable as they learn."

Educators point to several advantages of high speed internet availability besides the obvious research capabilities. Rural students can have easier access to dual enrollment, digital books and collaborative home studies, for example.

Internet safety is an important component of the website as new users might be unaware of the dangers of providing personal information. More importantly, the website guides parents on how to block inappropriate websites from being accessed.

A free training course will be offered at 5 p.m. April 24 at the Holmes County High School auditorium. Those interested in attending a free "Internet Training Workshop for Beginners" should call Lynn Gothard or Larche Hardy at 877-873-7232. Space is limited, and registration will take place on a first-come, first-served basis.

The website was developed with input from regional advisory boards throughout Florida. It is available at [www.floridainternettour.com](http://www.floridainternettour.com).

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# Falling Waters Park returns to days of old

By SCOTT SWEENEY  
Special to The News

Imagine yourself waking up tomorrow morning to find that all those creature comforts you have grown so accustomed to have vanished. As you wander through your house in a daze, you find no electric appliances, nothing made of plastic and no cellphone to call for help.

On your travels through the woods looking for help, you come across a small town known as Falling Waters. You see the town is full of life with folks actually making things with their hands, people bartering for goods and, by the way, you won't find anything with the phrase "Made in China" stuck to its bottom.

Wake up, it was only a dream. But the ninth annual Legends & Lore Festival is around the corner. You can experience Florida Panhandle life and see what it took to live on the rugged Florida frontier.



Some of the attractions at the event will include live cannon fire with civil war re-enactors, blacksmiths, quilters, a cracker cowboy, gristmills, candle makers, flint knappers, butter makers, a wild west shoot out and much more.

There will be many crafters and artisans in attendance this year. Some of the unique artistic creations found throughout the festival will include chainsaw carvings, basket weavers, paintings, jewelry and maybe a few surprises.

If you like animals there

will be something for everyone including cows, goat, chicken and a few other critters from the farm. This year along with a special venomous snake display, there will also be a live alligator to give you a smile.

To keep your ears and stomach happy there will be live music and great food all day long.

The main goal of this event is to give people the opportunity to experience first hand what day-to-day living was like a 100 or so years ago in Washington County. For example, if

you needed soap you could not drive down to the local variety store. You had a few options, make the soap yourself, find a neighbor to trade with that made soap or just be stinky.

The Falling Waters State Park was born March 26, 1962, and to commemorate this event there will be a plaque dedicated to the past 50 years as the park looks toward a promising future.

This event over the years has been blessed by the support of the community including major support from the Washington County Tourist Development Council and Community South Credit Union.

If you like good old fashion fun while remembering a simpler time, then the place to be is Falling Waters State Park from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Friday and from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday. More information is available at [www.friends-offallingwaters.org](http://www.friends-offallingwaters.org) or by calling 638-6130.

## Holmes County ARRESTS

- Catalino Burgos, 47, hold for Hillsborough
- Darrius Javonte Clark, 18, hold for Leon County
- Quinton David Coker, 51, hold for Hillsborough County
- Jason Lamar Collins, 32, hold for prison transport service
- Ricardo Davince Dennis, 36, hold for Hillsborough County
- Jeffrey Gray, 48, trafficking in hydrocodone
- Alicia Marie Guerra, 21, Hillsborough County transported for Walton County
- Gregory Mel Marcus, 38, child support
- Johnny Dewayne Hardrick, 38, violation of probation
- Measha Marie Hendrix, 35, allowing unauthorized minor to drive
- Jordan Richard Hernstine, 21, hold for prison transport service
- Stacey Whane Huckaby, 22, possession of marijuana less than 20 grams
- James V. Karlson, 32, driving under the influence, driving while license suspended or revoked, refuse to submit to breath test, violation of probation
- Jeremy Lambert, 32, lewd and lascivious molestation
- Omar Mendoza, 27, hold for prison transport service
- Kalen Keith Miller, 19, burglary, dealing in stolen property, criminal mischief
- William Roland Morris, 32, child support
- Bradley Kyle Nelson-McDonald, 19, violation of probation
- James Anthony Netherton, 40, driving while license suspended or revoked with knowledge
- David Randolph Ramsey, 53, driving under the influence
- Earnest Lee Rhodes, 29, driving while license suspended or revoked
- Jeffery L. Robinson, 42, Hillsborough County transported for Walton County
- Leslie Virgel Talbot, 54, hold for Miami Dade
- Mark Anthony Watkins, hold for prison transport service
- Chad Timothy West, 36, hold for prison transport service
- Donald Ray Wiggins, 31, hold for prison transport service
- Aunita Michelle Williams, 46, hold for prison transport service
- Heather Lynn Williams, 42, hold for prison transport service
- Todd Richard Womble, 43, hold for prison transport service

## MARRIAGES & DIVORCES

### Marriages

- Derek Ray Anders 4/7/1991 of Bonifay and Kristin Elizabeth Hutchinson 8/2/1988 of Bonifay
- Bryan Anthony Johnson 12/22/1985 of Bonifay and Brittany Jean Pickwick 2/28/1988 of Bonifay
- Bobby Jo Killacky 8/30/1983 of Bonifay and Elizabeth Hanley Andrews 3/26/1989 of Bonifay
- William Earl Smith 6/6/1974 of Bonifay and Amanda Irene Redmon 7/24/1977 of Bonifay

### Divorces

- Michael Timothy Webb II and Carri Lynell Webb
- Steven Stanley and Carrie Stanley
- Charles Edward Mullins and Debbie Lynn Mullins

## Man charged with kidnapping

From Staff Reports

**BONIFAY** — A Fort Lauderdale man was arrested Saturday by Bonifay police in connection with a charge of kidnapping, according to a police report.

Samuel Lee Martin Jr., 38, was arrested by police at a Washington County residence on charges of kidnapping and battery after police were called to a disturbance report on East Moore Avenue in Bonifay.

Police learned a 1-year-old child had been taken without permission by the man alleging to be the child's father. The complainant reported the child had been voluntarily placed in her custody by the child's mother as part of a safety plan with the Florida Department of Children



**SAMUEL LEE MARTIN JR.**

and Families. The complainant and Martin fought when he attempted to leave with the child, according to police. Martin is a former resident of Bonifay.

With the assistance of the Washington County Sheriff's Office, Martin was taken into custody without incident. The child was returned to his lawful guardian within 30 minutes of the initial call, according to police.

Martin was transported to the Washington County Jail for booking and to await transportation back to Holmes County.

The child's mother and Martin never were married, and according to public records, paternity has not been established for the child in question.

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- Member of Florida Farm Bureau
- Volunteer Hunter Safety Instructor
- Member of Northside Assembly of God
- Member of Gideons International - Bonifay Camp
- Member of State FFA alumni

**Experience**

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- Served as agriculture teacher for 10 years
- Grant writer for aid to fund learning projects
- Managed state and federal grant monies
- Certified computer technician
- Certified Parliamentary Law instructor
- Prepared budget and maintained a fiscally sound agriculture program
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# Report confirms hiring trend continues

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**TALLAHASSEE** — For the third consecutive month, the state's 24 regional workforce boards helped more than 30,000 unemployed Floridians who found jobs, including placements for more than 7,000 job seekers who had been receiving unemployment. The numbers for March are part of a continuing trend for Florida, where unemployment has steadily declined, in keeping with Gov. Rick Scott's goals for job placement, retention and recruitment.

"Florida's economy is built upon the success of Florida's businesses and job creators. As they grow and expand, job seekers throughout our state will continue to get back to work and further show that Florida is on the right path," Scott said. "Together with the jobs package I recently signed into law, we are making Florida the best state in the nation to live, work and play."

The results from March's Monthly Job Placement Re-

port demonstrate consistent progress, with 30,335 individuals placed in jobs. That figure includes 7,047 people who were receiving unemployment compensation, up from 6,536 unemployment compensation claimants in January. The boards reported 31,239 placements in February and 32,965 placements in January. The Monthly Job Placement Report was developed at the Governor's direction by the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity and Workforce Florida Inc.

"These job placement numbers demonstrate that regional workforce boards are laser-focused on matching businesses to the talented job seekers they need," said Chris Hart IV, President/CEO of Workforce Florida, the state's chief workforce policy organization. "Their work is an integral component of Florida's continued economic recovery, and I commend and thank them for their commitment to developing our state's talent and help-

ing Floridians get to work."

The following regional workforce boards were in the top 10 for reported job placements in March:

**7. Chipola Regional Workforce Development Board:** Calhoun, Holmes, Jackson, Liberty and Washington counties. Board Chair Darrin Wall and Executive Director Richard Williams

**8. Gulf Coast Workforce Development Board:** Bay, Franklin and Gulf counties. Board Chair Gary Ross and Executive Director Kimberly Bodine

**10. Workforce Development Board of Okaloosa and Walton Counties:** Okaloosa and Walton counties. Board Chair Dr. David O. Miller and Executive Director Linda Sumblin

The goal of the Monthly Job Placement Report is to highlight and share job placement achievement so regional workforce boards and other workforce system partners can identify and replicate best practices and strategies that connect job seekers with

# IBHS offers guidance

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**TAMPA** — The Insurance Institute for Business & Home Safety is providing guidance to help property owners reduce their risk of wildfire-related damage.

The Florida Forest Service has reported that more than 1,000 wildfires have consumed nearly 20,000 acres in Florida since the beginning of the year, and the threat of wildfires remains high because of recent dry conditions.

"Florida is one of the few states that has a year-round wildfire season," said Julie Rochman, IBHS president and CEO, "and current drought conditions, particularly in the Panhandle, have heightened the wildfire risk, making preparation all the more important."

Reducing wildfire risk starts by addressing three sources of vulnerability: the structure, nearby landscaping and the vegetation in the general area surrounding the structure. Each potential problem can be dealt with through maintenance, material and design improvements, and vegetation control, Rochman said.

"Property owners should assess the specific vulnerabilities of their home or business and take the steps to reduce or eliminate them."

"Windborne embers can ignite vegetation, debris and combustible materials that can lead to ignition of the exterior of a house," said Dr. Steve Quarles, senior research scientist at IBHS. "Further, embers blown or drawn into buildings through gable end vents, eave vents and other openings can ignite a house from the inside."

IBHS demonstrated the very real threat windborne embers present during the first-ever, full-scale wildfire ember storm demonstration at the IBHS Research Center in South Carolina. The demonstration illustrated how easily some commonly used building materials and items near or on houses can ignite from embers, and what homeowners can do to better protect their homes.

Many ways to protect a home are free or cost less than \$20, such as keeping gutters clear, sealing around all doors - including the garage - and covering vents. For example, property owners can

prepare for wildfires by cleaning up dead vegetation around the property, in gutters and on the roof, all of which eliminate fuel for a fire. Maintaining a very carefully managed and maintained vegetation zone within a five-foot zone immediately adjacent to your home is critical. Creation of this zone (sometimes referred to as a "noncombustible" or "low-combustible" zone), can be accomplished using rock or stone mulch and well-irrigated, low-growing, well-maintained, and non-woody vegetation.

IBHS' Wildfire Retrofit Guide - Florida Edition includes information about how to create a wildfire-resistant landscape. Property owners can use the Wildfire Risk Assessment Checklist at the end of the guide to determine the retrofit projects they want to undertake, and use the cost estimator in the checklist to help prioritize the projects they can do now and those that should be part of future maintenance and renovations.

Find out other ways to reduce wildfire risk with guidance from IBHS at [www.disastersafety.org/wildfire](http://www.disastersafety.org/wildfire).

# Holmes County TDC contributes to RiverWay South

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The Holmes County Tourist Development Council has contributed \$2,500 in matching funds along with the Holmes County Development Commission to support RiverWay South Apalachicola-Choctawhatchee in its application for a second rural regional development state grant. A total of \$5,000 from both the TDC and HCDC will be combined with investments from other counties within the two

river basins as match toward a Regional Rural Development Grant through the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO).

RiverWay South is a newly organized public/private partnership that encourages sustainable economic development through the preservation and promotion of the natural, cultural and historical resources of the Apalachicola and Choctawhatchee River basins. Participating organizations

work toward making the Apalachicola and Choctawhatchee River region a premier destination for natural, cultural, and historical-based recreation. RiverWay South Apalachicola-Choctawhatchee is working toward becoming self sustaining through individual, corporate and public investments. More information about the organization can be obtained by contacting volunteer staff through the website at [RWSFL.ORG](http://RWSFL.ORG).



Jim Brook, left, Executive Director Holmes County Development Commission and RiverWay South Apalachicola-Choctawhatchee board member, receives matching contribution from Holmes County, Tourist Development Council Chairman Steve Herrington. Herrington is also the Mayor of Westville.

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# VPK eligibility and registration under way

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By Suzan Gage, Outreach and Community Partnerships Director

**CHIPLEY** — For Aiden Wheeler, his day starts as mom signs him in at Kids World in Chipley.

He and mom head into Miss Jesse Foxworth's Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten classroom. Within seconds Miss Jesse greets them with a big welcoming smile and with a quick kiss goodbye from mom, Aiden heads straight to the colorful carpet for circle time to start his VPK day.

Each weekday, over 250 four and five year-olds start their day at one of 24 VPK classrooms located across Washington and Holmes counties. "I believe VPK helps lay a path for Kindergarten," says Tanya Wheeler, Aiden's mom. "His participation here gives him interaction with other children as well as helps teach him concepts he might not learn at home." Tanya would know; Aiden is her second child to go through the VPK. Lynne Eldridge, Executive Director of the Early Learning Coalition of Northwest Florida agrees. "This environment, with the teacher's facilitated support allows the receptors of the child's brain to perform at their best. What happens when the brain is performing at its best is learning."

"What makes VPK such an important experience for children is that participating in an early learning program helps the child and family prepare for the transition to formal education," says Eldridge, noting that "parents have many different options to choose from when selecting a VPK provider. Private child care centers, faith-based centers and

school districts all offer the VPK program. Today's parents have many possibilities and should be able to find a VPK program that suits their family's needs."

VPK, or Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten, is free and available to any child who is 4 on or before September 1, 2012 and resides in the State of Florida. The Early Learning Coalition of Northwest Florida will be issuing certificates of eligibility for Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten at a VPK Round-up for families in Holmes and Washington counties. The Round-up will be on Friday, April 20th at the Chipley One Stop at 680 2nd Street (in the Old Chipley High School) from 8:30 am till 11:30 am. Parents will need to bring photo ID, proof of Florida residency (no P.O. boxes) and proof of child's age. Once a certificate of eligibility has been issued to a family, the family can then take the certificate to the VPK provider of their choice to enroll.

In addition to issuing certificates of eligibility for VPK, different community partners such as Regions Bank and University of Florida/IFAS Extension will be on site to share their latest information and resources for families.

The Early Learning Coalition of Northwest Florida is a non-profit organization that exists to grow healthy children, parents and the relationship between them. It administers Child Care Resource and Referral, School Readiness and Voluntary-Pre-kindergarten programs in a seven county service area. For more information visit [www.elcnwf.org](http://www.elcnwf.org), find us on Facebook, or call 1-866-269-3022.



Miss Tanya teaches Aiden Wheeler and other children at Kids World in Chipley.

SPECIAL TO THE NEWS



Aiden and his mom, Tanya Wheeler, in front of Kids World in Chipley, one of 24 classrooms where Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten is taught across Washington and Holmes counties.

## HOLMES COUNTY KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION 2012-2013

Registration for Holmes County students who will enter kindergarten in the fall of 2012, will begin Monday, April 23, 2012, and continue through April 27, 2012. Parents or guardians should register the child at the school to be attended (Bethlehem, Bonifay Elementary, Ponce de Leon Elementary and Poplar Springs). Evidence of birth (birth certificate) and certificate of immunization are needed for registration. To be eligible to enter kindergarten this fall, a student must be five years of age on or before September 1, 2012. These days are set up for REGISTRATION ONLY! Remember parents/guardians will be responsible for making individual appointments for physicals with the Holmes County Health Department or personal physician.

It is very important that children be registered so that staffing plans for the school year can be made. The schools are open for registration from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

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## Hooked on Outdoors

Anytime you hear someone bellyache about how hard it is to make it in this country remind them of a young Cuban boy who crossed the Straits of Florida with his parents while trying to escape Communist Cuba.

He wound up living in the Keys, a paradise for anyone who loves to fish. He set his sights on being a guide, and everyone knows a guide needs a boat, but

this young man had no collateral. Only his knowledge of fishing.

He went to banker after banker with no luck securing a loan until one day

he went to Homestead, which is just south of Miami. He met a banker named Flip Pallot, a fisherman who soon would get out of the suit-and-tie world and would become a famous guide and world-renowned television personality of his own. Remember the Walker Cay Chronicles?

Pallot saw something in the young Cuban boy; a burning desire to fish and to make a living at it. So Pallot took a chance on this young man and loaned him the money, even though he knew if he didn't make it as a guide he probably would not be able to pay off the loan.

Pallot also introduced him to other famous guides, with one suggesting he give his boat a Spanish name.

That was several million fish and many years ago. Jose Wejebe traveled the world on his television show and got quite famous. He was easy going, and I never remember seeing him lose his temper while being filmed.

He made fishing look easy and catching them even easier: I would find out when his show aired and make a point of watching. There wasn't much he couldn't do from throwing a cast net with the greatest of ease to picking up a fly rod and catching anything from marlin to snook.

His boat and television show was titled "The Spanish Fly," but sadly we no longer will get to watch Jose lament on different baits or what currents to fish or which ice chest to buy. He was killed in a plane crash two weeks ago in Everglades City while taking off in his experimental plane.

The fishing world will miss Jose Wejebe. I will miss hearing him say, "I can't help you now, I'm busy ... busy catching fish."



### Outdoor Life

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## Partnership still paying dividends

By STAN KIRKLAND

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Conservation Commission

Partnerships can be great things. Every spring I'm reminded of the partnership between the people of Holmes County and our agency 15 years ago to bring wild turkeys back to the area.

Evidence of the success of that partnership is the fact that wild turkeys are found throughout much of the county. If you need proof of that, go to some of the more remote areas of the county about daylight, especially near creeks and the Choctawhatchee River, and listen for gobbling activity.

In the mid-1990s, most people who spent any time outdoors in Holmes County knew wild turkeys were gone. The culprits were illegal hunting and lack of quality habitat.

Credit it to the tenacity of landowners and hunters, but in 1997 they got staff of the then-Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission to do a countywide survey to determine the presence or absence of birds. The bait station survey showed the residents were right; turkeys were absent.

With the backing and support of people throughout the county, the Northwest Florida Water Management District and local National Wild Turkey Federation chapter members, GFC staff and their partners set a course to improve turkey habitat in the county and restock the population. In 1998 and '99, the GFC, which became the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, closed the county to turkey hunting and released 121 wild turkey hens and gobblers at eight locations across the county.

With good habitat and the county's roads and woodlands under the watchful eye of its citizens and FWC law enforcement officers, turkeys prospered.

During the spring of 2006, the FWC, with the support of the citizenry of Holmes County, had a three-day turkey hunt. Since then, the spring season has expanded to a 16-day season, plus two days open only to youth hunters. It's only a matter of time before FWC commissioners are asked to re-open the county to a full five-week season.

The benefits of the wild turkey restoration project go beyond a hunting season. The fact that the turkey numbers are increasing signals the birds have the kind of habitat and the protection they need. It also means turkeys are there for all to see and enjoy, regardless if they hunt or not.

But it also is a signal that the people of an area can call on their fish and wildlife agency and get help. And, that's a good thing.

## FWB man takes top dollar in Hog's Breath Cobia Shootout

By TINA HARBUCK

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Thirty boats were in the hunt, but Surreel landed the big one.

Gary Howard of Fort Walton Beach pulled in a 75.6-pound cobia April 7 while fishing aboard the Surreel with Capt. Jimmy Taylor to take top honors in the Hog's Breath 12th annual Cobia Shootout.

Howard's cobia was the largest on Day 2 of the event as well as first place overall, and good for \$47,250.

"We struggled the first day," Capt. Taylor said. "We lost two

good fish." The crew saw three and caught one that was about 40 pounds.

Day 2 was much better for the crew.

Fishing down west of Destin near Navarre in the "kill zone," about a half-mile off the beach, Taylor said they saw 10, caught six and kept five.

"We were right there with everybody else ... we just got lucky enough that they popped up on us," Taylor said.

About mid-day, the Surreel ran up on a trio.

"We caught all three," Taylor said, "and the big fish

was in that group.

"We fought him for about 35 to 40 minutes," he said. "We took our time ... we babied him, to get him in."

After they got the big cobia in the boat, the crew kept fishing.

"We kept one slot open and kept going because you never know when it's enough," Taylor said. "Just in case we found something bigger."

But the 75.6-pounder was the biggest fish of the day and the tournament.

Placing second overall was Destin's Danny Smith with a 73.8-pounder caught on the Sea Ya with Capt. Donnie Brown.

They caught their fish on Day 1, and it was worth \$27,000.

Placing third overall with a 68.6-pounder was Jason Yelverton who was fishing aboard the Dana Ann with Capt. Paul Sonnen. The fish was good for \$22,350 in prize money.

Winner of the Big Three, the boat with the three largest cobia, weighing 68.6, 60.1 and 38.9 was the Dana Ann.

Second place in the Big Three was Team Outcast with fish weighing 58.6, 52.3 and 46.7.

Defense Rest came in third in the Big Three with cobia weighing 61.1, 51.1 and 40.3 pounds.



Gary Howard of the Surreel shows off his prize-winning cobia, a 75.6-pounder.

## Greg Biffle ends his winless streak at Texas

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As the wind blew at speeds of up to 40 miles per hour Greg Biffle ended his 49 race winless streak. Biffle has not won a race before now since October 2010. This win gives Biffle a 19 point lead in points. Jimmie Johnson led 156 laps of the 334 laps that were run. He fell just short of the win though. Even though Johnson only came in second all four of the Hendrick Motor Sports cars finished in the top 10.

Ricky Stenhouse Jr. won the Nationwide series race. Even though the lights went out in turn three for the second time with only 30 laps to go. This win gave Stenhouse his second win of the season. Danica Patrick finished eighth. This is the highest position she has finished in since racing on the NASCAR circuit.

Kasey Kahne won the Camping World Truck Series race. This was the first race for the truck series at Rockingham since 2004.

The Sprint Cup race wasn't very exciting this week, but here is how it went down. On lap 14, Landon Cassill went on to pit road with steam coming from under the hood. This started a string of bad luck for some of the drivers, including Tony Stewart who was already racing in a back up car.

Several drivers had to take a green flag pit stop on laps 41-50. This was not the last green flag pit that would be taken — there were five during the race. The second one was on laps 141-149, the third was on laps 186-190, the fourth was on laps 230-234 and the fifth and last green flag pit was on laps 279-286. Now lets back up to lap 67, which was the first caution and was for debris in turn 4.

Caution No. 2 came when Trevor Bayne hit the wall on lap 93. The race leaders took advantage of Bayne's accident and freshened up during the caution. Brad Keselowski went into the garage on lap 160 and came back out on lap 167 and then back to the garage on lap 217.

On lap 214, NASCAR gave the teams an extra member to the pit crew over the wall to clean the windshield and assist the drivers. On lap 318, Jimmie Johnson scraped the wall but kept going. There

### RESULTS

#### Samsung Mobile 500 - Sprint Cup

1. Greg Biffle
2. Jimmie Johnson
3. Mark Martin
4. Jeff Gordon
5. Matt Kenseth
6. Martin Truex Jr.
7. Kasey Kahne
8. Carl Edwards
9. Kevin Harvick
10. Dale Earnhardt Jr.

#### O'Reilly Auto Parts 300 - Nationwide

1. Ricky Stenhouse Jr.
2. Paul Menard
3. Kasey Kahne
4. Denny Hamlin
5. Austin Dillon
6. David Ragan
7. Justin Allgaier
8. Danica Patrick
9. Michael Annett
10. Steve Arpin

#### Good Sam Roadside Assistance 200 - Camping World Truck Series

1. Kasey Kahne

2. James Buescher
3. Matt Crafton
4. Johnny Sauter
5. Timothy Peters
6. Joey Coulter
7. Nelson Piquet Jr.
8. Ty Dillon
9. Parker Kilgerman
10. Justin Lofton

### STANDINGS

#### Sprint Cup

1. Greg Biffle
2. Matt Kenseth, -2
3. Dale Earnhardt Jr., -2
4. Martin Truex Jr., -20
5. Kevin Harvick, -24
6. Denny Hamlin, -31
7. Tony Stewart, -39
8. Jimmie Johnson, -40
9. Ryan Newman, -48
10. Clint Bowyer

#### Nationwide

1. Elliott Sadler
2. Ricky Stenhouse Jr., -4
3. Austin Dillon, -20
4. Sam Hornish Jr., -54
5. Michael Annett, -64
6. Cole Whitt, -65
7. Trevor Bayne, -67
8. Tayler Malsom, -84

8. Justin Allgaier, -84
10. Mike Bliss, -100

#### Camping World Truck Series

1. Timothy Peters
2. Justin Lofton, -6
3. Ty Dillon, -7
4. James Buescher, -10
5. Parker Kilgerman, -20
6. Nelson Piquet Jr., -1
7. Jason White, -27
8. John King, -28
9. Ron Hornaday, -31
10. David Starr, -37

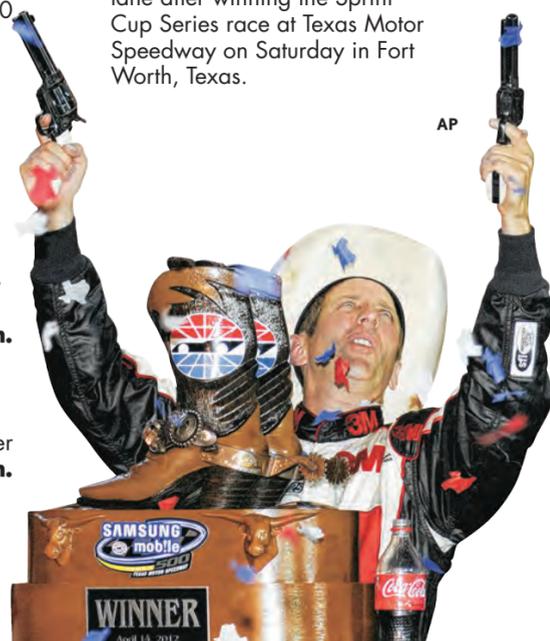
### THIS WEEKEND'S RACES

There is no Nationwide Race this weekend  
**April 21 - 12:30 p.m.**  
 • Speed - SFP 250  
 • Kansas Speedway  
 • Kansas - last year's winner was Clint Bowyer  
**April 22 - 11:30 a.m.**  
 • Fox - STP 400  
 • Kansas Speedway  
 • Kansas - last year's winner was Brad Keselowski

### COUNTDOWN TO TALLADEGA

We have 18 days until the Sprint Cup race at Talladega. Be sure to follow me on Twitter by searching @catspitstop.

Greg Biffle celebrates in victory lane after winning the Sprint Cup Series race at Texas Motor Speedway on Saturday in Fort Worth, Texas.



was no caution and somehow he still managed to finish second.

The Nationwide series was more exciting than the Sprint Cup race but not much. The first caution came on lap 45 when Kurt Busch scraped the wall because of debris on turn three. Keselowski took his car to the garage. It just wasn't his weekend.

Brian Scott pitted on lap 63 because of smoke coming from the tail pipe, and then on lap 64 he takes his car to the garage. Keselowski comes out of the garage on lap 90 and then spins in turn four bringing the second caution. Caution three came on lap 95 when Blake Koch and Kurt Busch make contact and Koch spins in turn 2. The lights went out in turn three on lap 98 extending the caution.

The one and only green flag pit in the Nationwide series race came on laps 147-154. The yellow flags came out when the lights went out in turn three on lap 162. The red flag came out and the race was stopped on lap 169 so the technicians could change the circuit breaker so the lights would stay on. Kurt Busch's engine started smoking on lap 186 and put him in the pits for the rest of the race.

### BIG BEND BASEBALL

## Horsemen rout Red Birds, 12-2

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After a weekend off, the Big Bend Baseball League got back under way on Saturday. There were only two games scheduled, with only one being played. The game played was between the Calhoun County Horsemen and the Chattahoochee Red Birds. The score of this game was the Horsemen 12 and the Red Birds 2. This win by the Horsemen was their first win of the season.

The game between the Bay Elite Blue and the Bay

Elite Grey was postponed due to organizational matters. Elite Blue and Elite Grey will make up this game at a later date.

This weekend will bring the Elite Blue to Chattahoochee to play the Red Birds at 3 p.m. EDT on Sunday. The Horsemen will travel to Panama City to play the Elite Gray at 2 p.m. CDT on Sunday.

The standings so far this season are: 1<sup>st</sup> place Elite Blue; 2<sup>nd</sup> place Elite Gray; 3<sup>rd</sup> place Horsemen; 4<sup>th</sup> place Red Birds.

The teams would like everyone to come out and support their favorite team.

## MAY STUDENT ATHLETES



### Congratulations to these top athletes!



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Basketball, Guard  
11th Grade



**Shelby Sellers**  
Vernon H.S.  
Softball, Catcher  
11th Grade



**Kaitlynn Carroll**  
Ponce de Leon H.S.  
Point Guard/Catcher  
Played East-West All-Star



**Dan Wells**  
Poplar Springs H.S.  
Baseball, 3rd Base & Pitcher, 12th Grade



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- 3rd place: Chanley Gilbert, Farmall Super C, Vernon, 81.11 feet

**3,500-pound Modified**

- 1st place: Larry Mitchell, Allis Chalmers WD, Marianna, 106.3 feet
- 2nd place: Chanley Gilbert, Farmall Super C, Vernon, 99.6 feet
- 3rd place: Joey Kent, Minneapolis Moline R, Chipley 78.1 feet

**4,500-pound Farm Stock**

- 1st place: Chanley Gilbert, Farmall Super C, Vernon, 126.5 feet
- 2nd place: Clay Baxley, Farmall F-20, Panama City, 73.4 feet

**4,500-pound Modified**

- 1st place: Chanley Gilbert, Farmall Super C, Vernon, 123.0 feet
- 2nd place: Clay Baxley, Farmall F-20, Panama City, 2 feet

**5,500-pound Farm Stock**

- 1st place: Terry Pittenger, Case DC, Panama City, 184.11 feet
- 2nd place: Frank Hall, John Deere 48A, Ponce de Leon, 181.1 feet
- 3rd place: Taylor Dowdy, Case DC, Panama City, 179 feet

**5,500-pound Modified**

- 1st place Alex Whitaker, Case DC, Panama City, 179 feet
- 2nd place Terry Pittenger, Case DC, Panama City, 194.3 feet
- 3rd place: Frank Hall, John Deere 48A, Ponce de Leon, 182.7 feet

**6,500-pound Farm Stock**

- 1st place Joey Kent, Farmall 400, Chipley, 267.5 feet
- 2nd place: Terry Pittenger, Case DC, Panama City 246.2 feet
- 3rd place: Alex Whitaker, Case DC, Panama City, 232.5 feet

**6,500-pound Modified**

- 1st place: Joey Kent, Farmall 400, Chipley, Full Pull (300 feet)
- 2nd place: Taylor Dowdy, Case DC, Panama City, 252.2 feet
- 3rd place: Terry Pittenger, Case DC, Panama City, 244 feet

**7,500-pound Farm Stock**

- 1st place: Frank Hall, John Deere 620, Ponce de Leon, Full Pull (300 feet)
- 2nd place: Heather Taylor John Deere 70, Chipley, 272 feet
- 3rd place: Chad Taylor, John Deere 70, Chipley, 243.22 feet

**7,500-pound Modified**

- 1st place: Frank Hall, John Deere 620, Ponce de Leon, 291.1 feet
- 2nd place: Chanley Gilbert, John Deere 70, Vernon, 279.7 feet
- 3rd place: Dennis Gainer, John Deere 70, Chipley, 274.7 feet

**8,500-pound Farm Stock**

- 1st place: Dennis Gainer, John Deere 70, Chipley, 222.5 feet
- 2nd place: Frank Hall, John Deere 620, Ponce de Leon, 222 feet

**8,500-pound Modified**

- 1st place: Frank Hall, John Deere 620, Ponce de Leon, 222.5 feet

**9,500-pound Farm Stock**

- 1st place: Dennis Gainer, Minneapolis Moline G705, Chipley 365.1 feet
- 2nd place: Chanley Gilbert, Minneapolis Moline G705, Vernon, 361 feet

**9,500-pound Modified**

- 1st place Steven Hurst, Minneapolis Moline G705, Cottondale, 379 feet
- 2nd place: Dennis Gainer, Minneapolis Moline G705, Chipley, 356.3 feet

**10,500-pound Farm Stock**

- 1st place: Dennis Gainer, Minneapolis Moline G705, Chipley, 383.1 feet
- 2nd place: Chanley Gilbert, Minneapolis Moline G705, Vernon, 369.2 feet

**10,500-pound Modified**

- 1st place: Dennis Gainer, Minneapolis Moline G705, Chipley, 382.2 feet
- 2nd place: Steven Hurst, Minneapolis Moline G705, Cottondale, 377.3 feet



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A John Deere tractor slows down as the sled gets heavier during the Holmes Valley Heritage Day festival tractor pull competition.

# START YOUR ENGINES

## Rescheduled Holmes Valley Heritage Day successful

From Staff Reports

**VERNON** — Beautiful weather greeted visitors to the eighth annual Holmes Valley Heritage Day Saturday in Vernon.

The event was rescheduled from its original March date because of rain, but wet weather was far from everyone's mind Saturday. Hundreds of spectators turned out to watch the

tractor pull competitions, and numerous local elected officials and those wishing to become elected officials were on hand to visit residents and do a little old-fashioned politicking to the roar of tractor engines and the smell of funnel cakes.

The kids' pedal pull was a popular event, and this year also featured a women's skillet tossing competition.



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Carlie Cooper of Graceville, right, and Abbie Tomlinson of Panama City, above, try their hands at the pedal pull during the Holmes Valley Heritage Day festival in Vernon on Saturday.



### PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING

**VALEE ROAD OVER BIG REEDY CREEK BRIDGE REPLACEMENT**

Holmes County  
Financial Project Identification Number: 428575-1-32-01

Date: Tuesday, May 8, 2012

Time: 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. CDT

Place: Ponce de Leon Town Hall  
1580 Highway 90  
Ponce de Leon, Florida



The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) will hold a public information meeting regarding the proposed bridge replacement on Valee Road over Big Reedy Creek Tuesday, May 8, 2012, from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. CDT. The meeting will be held at Ponce de Leon Town Hall, located at 1580 Highway 90, Ponce de Leon.

This meeting will provide citizens an opportunity to preview the proposed design, ask questions and/or submit comments. There will be no formal presentation. FDOT will be available to explain proposed improvements and answer questions.

Improvements include replacing the existing single lane wooden bridge on Valee Road over Big Reedy Creek with a concrete structure, paving the approaches, new guardrail, minor drainage improvements, sodding, and placement of new signs and pavements markings. Valee Road will be closed during construction. Highway 90 (County Road 10), Oak Grove Church Road and Old US 90 have been identified as detour routes.

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability or family status. Persons who require special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act or persons who require translation services (free of charge) should contact the department's General Consultant Project Manager, Dean Mitchell, P.E. at 1141 Jackson Avenue, Chipley, FL, 32428, or (850) 638-2288 least seven (7) days prior to the meeting.

If you have any questions about the proposed project or this meeting, please contact Dean Mitchell at the information above or via email at [dean.mitchell@atkinsglobal.com](mailto:dean.mitchell@atkinsglobal.com). You may also contact Ian Satter, District Three Public Information Director, toll-free at (888) 638-0250, extension 205 or via email at [ian.satter@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:ian.satter@dot.state.fl.us).

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## Washington, Holmes at a glance

### 2012 Holmes County Farm Bureau Scholarship

**HOLMES COUNTY** — The Holmes County Farm Bureau will award a \$1,000 scholarship annually, \$500 per semester, to a graduating senior from any Holmes County high school who will be attending any college or post-secondary school.

To be eligible to receive the scholarship the parents or grandparents of the applicant must be a current member (in good standing) of Holmes County Farm Bureau and have maintained their membership for at least two years prior to the application. The application deadline is May 1. To get an application or for more information, call Debe Miller at 547-4227.

### Miss Holmes County Beauty Pageant

Miss Holmes County Beauty Pageant is a "Peanut Preliminary." This year's theme is Mardi Gras Bash. The pageant will be held on May 5, at the Holmes County Agriculture Center. Deadline to enter is Sunday, April 29 for Future, Little, Junior and Miss. The deadline to enter is May 1 for all other age divisions, no exceptions.

All Queens will ride on a float at the National Peanut Festival Parade. There will be registration meeting at 5 p.m. for Baby, Toddler, Tiny, Petite, Young, Teen, Ms. and Mrs., and at 6 p.m. for Future, Little, Junior and Miss on April 19 at the Holmes County Ag Center. Age Divisions will be: Baby Miss, 0-11 Months; Toddler Miss, 12-23 Months; Tiny Miss, 2-3 Years; Future Little Miss, 4-6 years and not in First grade; Little Miss, first grade (must reside in Holmes County or attend a school in Holmes County); Petite Miss, second to fourth grade; Young Miss, fifth to sixth grade; Teen Miss, seventh or eighth grade; Junior Miss, ninth to 11th grade; Miss Holmes County (must reside in Holmes County or attend a school in Holmes County); Ms. Holmes County Single, Divorced; and Mrs. Holmes County Married. Call Amanda 547-5435 or Christi 547-5668 or email [missholmescounty@ gmail.com](mailto:missholmescounty@ gmail.com).

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# TWO-TOED TAKEOVER

## Two-Toed Tom Festival comeback a success

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**ESTO** — Vendors lined the track of John W. Clark Park, bands played in the covered area, demonstrations and politicians vied for the attention of hundreds as they enjoyed the cool and clear weather and pristine beauty of the park for Esto's comeback of the Two-Toed Tom Festival April 14.

With the efforts of the Esto Town Council and the Esto Fire Department, the Two-Toed Tom Festival was brought back in full force.

Event coordinator Darlene Madden thanked those who supported the event and made the event possible since the last festival in 2001.

"The day was perfect, the weather was perfect, we got so much support from the community and local businesses," said Madden. "It couldn't have been any more perfect."

She said she wanted to thank the Town of Esto, Esto Fire Department, Holmes County Sheriff's Office and all the vendors, volunteers, entertainers, sponsors and participants.

"I especially want to thank all those who came to attend because without the people being there the event wouldn't have been a success," Madden said. "It's amazing the amount of support that was shown for our first year back."

Two-Toed Tom is an alligator of legendary proportion in the Southern United States and has been terrorizing swamp residents along the Alabama-Florida border for hundreds of years.

His name supposedly came from the tall tale that all but two toes had been lost in a steel trap and that he could be identified by the unusual markings he left behind, showing that he only had two toes.

Two-Toed Tom is supposedly over 20 feet long, attacked people and animals and, despite the use of guns, dynamite and other arsenals, the locals could never kill him.

For more information on the legend of Two-Toed Tom, visit [ExploreSouthernHistory.com](http://ExploreSouthernHistory.com) [www.exploresouthernhistory.com/alligator2.html](http://www.exploresouthernhistory.com/alligator2.html).

Madden said that they were already getting ready for next year's festival, which is set for April 13, 2013.



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Vendors gathered from near and far to participate in this year's 2012 Two-Toed Tom Festival.



Holmes County Sheriff's Office participated with free information and other items for both children and adults.



Entertainment came from all across the area, most donating their time and talent to aide in the return of the Two-Toed Tom Festival.



**CRUTCHFIELD AND COMER WED**



Minnie Rae Comer, of Albany, Ga., and Brandon Foster Crutchfield, of Albany, Ga.

Minnie is the daughter of Oscar Grimes, of Tampa. She graduated from Mitchell County High School in Camilla Ga. in 2009. Minnie is currently attending Albany Technical College for Dental Hygienist.

Brandon is the son of Eddie and Jacqueline Crutchfield, of Albany,

Ga. and the grand son of Jack and Marilyn Ulrich of Bonifay and Jimmy and Martha Bryant of Bonifay.

He graduated from Tallahassee Community College with a certificate as a Correction Guard and is currently in the United States Army Reserves.

The couple married on March 17, 2012 at the Bonifay Country Club in Bonifay.



Representing WCCS are front row from left: Jordan Bynum (5th grade), Zoe Shafer (5th grade), and Justin Lee (5th grade). Middle: Kaleigh Laurel (6th grade), Allyanna Haddock (6th grade), Isabella Owens (7th grade), Tyler Lee (7th grade), and Shane Reed (7th grade). Back row from left: Mandolin Brown (3rd grade), Emma Rines (4th grade), Jayla Kindelspire (4th grade), and Nina Carrillo (3rd grade).

**WCC School competes in Math Olympics**

Special to the News

Several students from Washington County Christian School competed in the ACSS Math Olympics for the Florida Region at Rocky Bayou Christian School in Niceville on March 31. Students placed in their school competition to earn the opportunity

to compete on teams in math computation and reasoning. The teams brought home first place for fourth grade Reasoning and fifth grade Computation. Second place wins were awarded in sixth grade Computation and seventh grade Computation. Third place wins were won in third grade Reasoning,

fourth grade Reasoning, fifth grade Computation, and sixth grade Computation. In addition, a fifth place win in seventh grade Reasoning was also received for that team. Emma Rines also received an award for achieving the highest score in her category of fourth grade Reasoning.

**Westville ranch receives certification**

Special To Extra

**WESTVILLE** — The beef cattle at Greg Gillman Ranch have been certified as Animal Welfare Approved. This certification and food label lets consumers know that these animals were raised in accordance with the highest animal welfare standards in the U.S., using sustainable agriculture methods on an independent family farm.

Like other AWA farmers across the country, Greg Gillman understands the growing consumer interest in how animals are being raised. Raising animals outdoors on pasture or range has known benefits for animals, consumers and the environment. Greg's cattle roam freely, grazing and foraging, and are raised without added hormones or animal

byproducts. Cattle at Greg Gillman Ranch are raised in an environmentally sustainable way, and the farm's pasture-based farming methods provide a net benefit for the land and community of West Florida.

AWA Program Director Andrew Gunther says, "The accountability and integrity offered by Animal Welfare Approved farmers like Greg are unmatched in food production. We're glad to have his farm in the AWA family."

Animal Welfare Approved is a national nonprofit organization that audits, certifies and supports farmers raising their animals according to the highest welfare standards, outdoors on pasture or range. Called a "badge of honor for farmers" and the "gold standard," AWA has come

to be the most highly regarded food label when it comes to animal welfare, pasture-based farming, and sustainability. All AWA standards, policies and procedures are available on the AWA website, making it one of the most transparent certifications available.

Animal Welfare Approved's Online Directory of AWA farms, restaurants and products enables the public to search for AWA farms, restaurants and products by ZIP code, keywords, products and type of establishment. In addition, AWA has published Food Labeling for Dummies, a regularly updated guide available free for download on our website, that provides clear and factual definitions for the most commonly used food claims and terms.



**Hatchers announce birth of son**

Clay and April Hatcher announce the birth of their second son, Canaan Harrison Hatcher. Canaan was born on March 5, 2012 at 7:09 a.m. He weighed 8 pounds 12 ounces and was 21.5 inches long.

Canaan was welcomed home by his big brother, Caleb. His grandparents are Joe and Dianne Hardy and Jon and Janet Hatcher. His great-grandparents are Thelma Garrett, Fed and Mary Hatcher, and Clayton and Wynell Harrison.

**GROCE FAMILY REUNION PLANNED**

The Groce Family Reunion will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, April 21, at the Leslie Porter Park in Lynn Haven.

Please come and bring pictures and a well filled dinner basket. We hope to see

you all there for fun and fellowship.

To get to the park, go south on U.S. Highway 77 until you come to the bridge.

For more information, call Donna at 773-3456.

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PET TALK

# Does your rabbit have a case of the snuffles?

If your Peter Rabbit has a runny nose, he may have more than a case of the sniffles. He could have "snuffles," a common upper respiratory infection in rabbits.

"Snuffles is a disease which affects the eyes and nose and sometimes the lungs, skin, or even the middle ear of rabbits," says Dr. Jill Heatley, associate professor at the Texas A&M College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences (CVM). "Also referred to as paranasal sinusitis, snuffles is most often caused by a certain bacteria known as Pasteurella multocida, but sometimes other bacteria can also be involved."

Heatley adds, "Snuffles is a very common disease of rabbits and can be found in up to 10 percent of rabbits which appear normal. It is found in almost all rabbits that show clinical signs, such as a runny nose, skin infections, or a head tilt.

Symptoms for snuffles vary among rabbits. According to Heatley, the most common signs to look for relating to snuffles are nasal discharge, head tilting, and skin sores.

"Many times a veterinarian will make a presumptive diagnosis of snuffles based solely on a physical examination," explains Heatley. "However, radiographs

(x-rays) and blood work are also often used to determine a diagnosis. This disease can progress to a serious infection like septicemia and pneumonia, which rabbits are very good at hiding."

"The treatment plan for snuffles varies based on the clinical signs, but antibiotics are often prescribed because it is a bacterial disease," Heatley says. "However one must be very careful with antibiotic use in rabbits as improper types or routes of antibiotic administration can cause problems within the rabbit's stomach and intestines that could lead to death. Please make sure the veterinarian you visit is familiar with antibiotics that are safe for use in rabbits."

Heatley also recommends using probiotics in rabbits, because they help replace the good normal bacteria in the rabbit's gut which it needs to live.

If you are looking into purchasing a new rabbit for your household, it is best to talk with your breeder or pet store representative about a particular animal's health history and breeding conditions. Very few facilities can guarantee a completely disease free environment. If any rabbit in the facility shows even the slightest symptom of snuffles, such as wet facial

fur or paws due to a runny nose, it would be better to look elsewhere for your new pet.

Sub-clinical snuffles (infected rabbits that show no symptoms) can be diagnosed through a physical examination administered by your veterinarian. Physical examinations should be a routine part of your pre-purchase or initial 'well pet' health exam.

To try to avoid snuffles in your current pet, keep its environment stress free.

"Most, if not all, rabbits have this bacteria and can have a bout with snuffles if they become stressed," Heatley says. "So for your rabbit we recommend a healthy diet, stress free environment, and plenty of enrichment and exercise. Their diet should consist primarily of grass hay, such as oat or timothy, but not alfalfa which has too much protein and fat. A grass hay diet will ensure normal tooth wear and good gut health. Also, remember to regulate their temperature, because if they get too hot or too cold they will become stressed."

Snuffles is extremely contagious among rabbits, and infected rabbits should never be allowed to come into contact with healthy rabbits. Any cage or bedding that

has been in contact with infected rabbits should be thoroughly disinfected with a mild bleach solution before using for healthy rabbits. Humans that handle infected rabbits should wash their hands and clothes before handling healthy rabbits.

"Pasteurella multocida, as with most bacteria, is contagious to man, but usually requires a skin break such as a bite or a wound to enter the system," says Heatley. "This bacterium can cause diseases to other animals such as chickens and pigs. So if your bunny has snuffles, it should not play with other animals until it is well or at least until it starts an antibiotic treatment program."

"With adequate care and treatment most cases of snuffles can be resolved and have a good prognosis," Heatley adds. "However, some cases of snuffles can have multiple bacteria or may involve a tooth problem or bone infection in the rabbit's nose. These bunny patients may require months of treatment and require much patience on the part of the owner."

To ensure a healthy pet rabbit at home, begin with a healthy rabbit and then maintain that good health by avoiding any contact that could infect your rabbit. When in doubt, hop

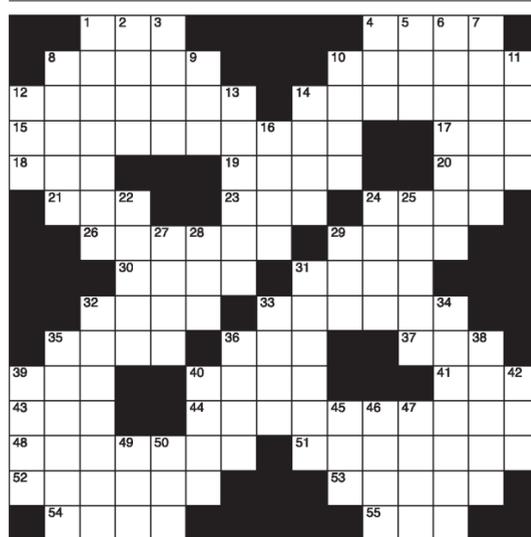
down to your veterinarian for a complete checkup.

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Suggestions for future topics may be directed to [cvmtoday@cvm.tamu.edu](mailto:cvmtoday@cvm.tamu.edu).

## Crossword PUZZLE



### CLUES ACROSS

1. Milk producer
4. Am. Music Awards
8. Engaged in
10. Moved over the water
12. Deflects in fencing
14. Southwest or United
15. Elin's ex
17. Signing
18. Macao's monetary unit
19. 1st Korean pres. Syngman
20. The god of the sun
21. Old world, new
23. Metal food storage container
24. Dutch colonist
26. 2 source sound system
29. Prohibitions
30. Oh, God!
31. Poly and Octa are some
32. Clip
33. 1st, 2nd and home
35. Highest cards
36. Equals 1/100 afghani
37. One and only
39. Don't know when yet
40. Ripped
41. Smallest whole number
43. White vestment worn by priests
44. C.S. Forester officer
48. Made it forbidden
51. Monkshood or helmet-flower
52. Director Spielberg
53. Palm tree fruits
54. Mild yellow Dutch cheese
55. In favor of

### CLUES DOWN

1. Goods carried by ships
2. Shrek is one
3. Stream fence to catch fish
4. Air America Radio
5. 1/1000 of an inch
6. AKAs
7. Detector
8. Voluntarily set aside
9. Morning moisture
10. VI
11. A small wooded hollow
12. Parent Teacher Assoc.
13. Arranged according to size
14. Gulf in the Arabian Sea
16. The Mississippi's largest tributary
22. Comb-plate
24. Prohibits
25. The early stages
27. Breastplate
28. Popular spoken music
29. Cattle genus
31. 61036 IL
32. Crusted over a wound
33. US VP 1801 - 1805
34. More flamboyant
35. Remove an organ or bodily structure
36. Russian weight unit = 36 lbs
38. Siberian nomads
39. Makes lacework
40. At a specific prior time
42. Before
45. Binary coded decimal
46. Loiter
47. Upon
49. Egg cells
50. Original equipment manufacturer

SOLUTION ON PAGE B5

# Bring Up Grades program presents at VES

**VERNON** — The second Bring Up Grades presentation was held at Vernon Elementary School on March 23. Third grade students at Vernon Elementary School were recognized as part of a special presentation in the school cafeteria at 1 p.m. Students, parents, and grandparents attended the presentation. Sponsor of the program, the Chipley Kiwanis Club, presented T-shirts and special awards to students who improved a subject by one grade or maintained current grade level in all subjects, and each student also received a certificate. Students who already make an "A" or "B" are recognized for maintaining that grade. The program continues from grade period to grade period to encourage constant improvement in school results. In addition to personal grade improvements or maintaining acceptable grade levels, students can also be designated a "Super BUG" by helping other classmates as a mentor to achieve grade improvements.

The BUG program was created last year at Kate M. Smith Elementary through the coordination with the

Kiwanis Young Children/Priority One Committee chaired by Kiwanian Patsy Justice. Further student recognition is provided by a school "BUG Honor Roll" for the 3rd-graders that is distributed school-wide.

A total of 112 students were recognized at the VES presentation ceremony for BUG in Washington County. Third grade teachers with award recipients were Regina Capps & Judy Young, Kelly Galloway, Jessica Lee, Linda Smothers, Sandra Taylor, and Leigh Ann Yates. Principal Chris Beard conducted the presentations.

Recipients of the awards were:

### Ms. Capps' & Ms. Young's Class

Jasmine Baker, Trevor Balcom, Kynley Braxton, Damien Brown, Jada Brown, Jamar Brown, Zadrion Brown, Nathaniel Buell, Elijah Burch, Taylor Church, Lancin Dybdal, Carlos Escobar, Lillian Garner, Markus Hammack, Raqayya Hogsans, Calyn Jones, Hannah Kirkland, Kason Kolmetz, Aaliyah Lassiter, Amelia McCrone, Jacob Mitchell, Cayden Nelson, Wyatt Pitts,

Paislee Poppell, Wayne Potter, Preston Russell, Azelette Sanders, Xavier Seaman, Katie Smith, Chris Sweet, Ethan Taylor, Samantha Tucker, Nevaeh Walker, Webster Wood, Julia Wycuff, and Patrick Yarbor.

### Ms. Galloway's Class

Ileanna Clemente, Kayla Douds, James Earl, Zechary Hooks, Trey Nettles, and Khalil Smith.

### Ms. Lee's Class

KeSean Calloway, Donaldson Campbell Jr., Parker Gentry, Steven Glenn, Leah Lines, Kourtnee Ladd, Gavin Myer, Holly Parham, Tyler Paul, Kaydance Peterson, Waylon Pitts, Arianna Simmons, Kelis Smith, Jakob, Spence, Cecilia Wakeley, Nathalie Ziniewicz, Valton Hogue, and Dillon Jones.

### Ms. Smothers' Class

Ayleah Brown, Zyquez Brown, Ethan Driver, Kalen Evans, Nicholas Everett, Bobby Green, Kason Haddock, LaKayla Harmon, Alana Justice, Logan Mathis, Samantha Moore, Braiden Pate, Bryan Stone, Hailey Wasson, C.J. Yates, Rylan

Evans, and Colton Owens.

### Ms. Taylor's Class

Abby McCoy, Adrian Paul, Christian Brown, Derek Greer, Dyvion Bush, Jason Prather, John Skelton, Kaylee, Bullard, Keaton Everett, Lexus Rhodes, Shyan McKinney, Trevor Johns, Wyatt Ward, Trenton Balkcom, Veronica Casey, Camdyn Evans, and Jayson Wills.

### Ms. Yates Class

Faith Pettis, Zachary Best, Dalton Eastling, Shakiah Edwards, Ellen Grantham, Isabella Hall, Mitchell Harmon, Brock Hodges, Gavin Jackson, Timothy Keister, Samantha Marsh, Jyh'kerius Peterson, Faith Reynolds, Ja'rius Ridgeway, Trent Rudd, Brookelyn Vaughn, Lane Wells, Brian and Willis.

The Kiwanis Club of Chipley has been providing support to youth oriented events and programs for 71 years and last year supported 30 organizations throughout Washington County.

For more information about the Kiwanis Club of Chipley, visit [www.ChipleyKiwanis.com](http://www.ChipleyKiwanis.com).

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## Faith BRIEFS

### Otter Creek Methodist to present the Staffords

**PONCE DE LEON** — The Staffords will be singing at Otter Creek Methodist Church, 4 miles north of Ponce de Leon off Highway 81, at 7 p.m. April 21. Everyone is invited.

### New Orange Baptist Gospel Jamboree

**CHIPLEY** — New Orange Baptist Church, on Alford Road, ¼ mile off Orange Hill Road, 5 miles south of Chipley, will hold their Gospel Jamboree at 6 p.m. April 21. Dinner will follow the sing. For more information, call 638-1166 or 850-773-0020.

### New Easter Missionary Baptist installation service

**GRACEVILLE** — New Easter Missionary Baptist Church will be holding an Installation Service at 3 p.m. April 22. The Rev. Dr. H. G. McCullough and the Rev. William H. Harvey will be presiding. The Rev. Leroy McLeroy will give the installation message, the Rev. is from St. Peter Community Church in Dothan, Ala. For more information, call 850-263-6834.

### Wausau Assembly of God to present John Starnes

**WAUSAU** — John Starnes will be ministering in word a music at Wausau Assembly of God Church, Highway 77 in Wausau, at 10:45 a.m. April 22. For more information, call 638-0883 or 850-596-4451.

### Come Together and Worship Event

**BONIFAY** — Come Together and Worship, a free event, will be 7 p.m. April 28, at Spirit and the Bride Harvest Ministries, 2059 Highway 177 in Bonifay. Concessions will be available. Performing will be Kenny Crain and Creations Call. For more information, call 547-2168.

### Gap Pond Free Will Baptist hosts The Wilson's

**SUNNY HILLS** — Gap Pond Free Will Baptist Church will be hosting 'The Wilson's' at 6:30 p.m., on May 5. For more information call Sister Doris Burned at 850-265-3080.

### Saint Agatha's Episcopal breakfast

**DEFUNIACK SPRINGS** — Saint Agatha's Episcopal Church will be having breakfast in the Parish Hall, 150 Circle Drive in DeFuniack Springs, from 7-11 a.m. May 5. Breakfast will include eggs to order, grits, homefries, pancakes, bacon, sausage, toast, sausage gravy on biscuits or toast, juice, milk, coffee, there will also be healthy choice items. Adult plates will be \$4.50 and children 10 and under are \$2.50.

### Open mic gospel sing

**SUNNY HILLS** — Gap Pond Free Will Baptist Church will be hosting an open mic gospel sing at 6:30 p.m. on May 26. A covered dish dinner will follow in the Fellowship Hall. Call Sister Doris Burned at 265-3080.

## Stick Up for the Little Guy

One of the recurring themes in the Bible is that God loves an underdog. There are numerous occurrences of the little guy defeating a bigger and stronger opponent. David slaying Goliath is perhaps the most obvious example, but there are many others. God chose a stutterer to be his mouthpiece when he chose Moses. The youngest son is chosen to fight for and lead his people in the case of David, and prostitutes and outcasts are sometimes heroes, as with Rahab and Tamar. When God's chosen ones have their crisis of confidence, which they almost always do, God tells them to buck up (or "gird up their loins") and know that He, the Lord, is behind them. We are earthen vessels, weak and fragile, but we can do all things through God who strengthens us. So, stick up for the little guy, especially when he is outnumbered and the odds are against him. Remember also, that we too may often be the little guy, or the one who is outnumbered, and we should take pride and confidence in the fact that the Lord has our back.

*"But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong. God chose the lowly things of this world and the despised things, and the things that are not, to nullify the things that are, so that no one may boast before him."*  
1 Corinthians 1:27-29

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# Knights of Columbus donate \$5,000 to pregnancy center

From Staff Reports

**BONIFAY** — The Infant of Prague Council 10513 of the Knights of Columbus presented a check for \$5,000 to the West Florida Pregnancy & Family Center in Bonifay Friday morning.

The Knights of Columbus meet at Blessed Trinity Catholic Church in Bonifay but is comprised of members from both Washington and Holmes counties, went to the state council for funds to donate to the center.

"We support the center 100 percent," said Grand Knight Mike DeRuntz, "and I am thrilled we can share God's abundance, so thrilled that we are able to do this."

Center Director Mary

Rockburn said she is Baptist, but women who come to the center aren't required to belong to any denomination. "We just want them to love Jesus our Lord and follow him," she said.

Women who come to the center are required to take classes on various topics such as nutrition, pre-natal care and parenting, and the bible, and for each hour spent in class they receive 3 "baby bucks" which can be used at the center or area thrift stores for diapers and baby supplies.

"We aren't a hand out organization," Rockburn said. "Our girls earn their way here." Over the 10 years the center has been in operation, about 900 women have been helped by the center, she said.



West Florida Pregnancy & Family Center Director Mary Rockburn receives a check for \$5,000 from Mike DeRuntz, grand knight of the Knights of Columbus' local council on Friday.



Photos by RANDAL SEYLER | Extra

The Infant of Prague Council 10513 of the Knights of Columbus presented a check for \$5,000 to the West Florida Pregnancy & Family Center in Bonifay Friday morning. Present were, front row from left: Marlene Borst, center board member and volunteer; Mary Rockburn, center director; Theresa Lowe, board chairman and volunteer; the Rev. Ken Harrison, moderator for the Holmes County Baptist Association. Back row, from left: Robert Scholl, council pro-life chairman; Bob Dinkins, treasurer; John T. Jones, trustee; Grand Knight Mike DeRuntz; Ron Gresham, financial secretary; Bill Williams Sr., council advocate.

## Is time a friend or an enemy?

By Rev. James L. Snyder

The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage and me were locked in a hopeless Mexican standoff. She was effectively arguing her side of the issue and I was, well, let's say I was not agreeing. I will not say who won, just that it wasn't me.

She then looked at me, put both hands on her hips and said, "Time will tell that I'm right."

I cannot wait. The problem is, time is never on my side. I simply do not know what it is about time, but it never does me any favors. Always, and I mean always, time proves my wife was right. I hate it.

I thought it was supposed to be "Father Time" we are dealing with. If it is, he certainly does not have the male side of the issue in good grips. Why does time always prove my wife right? Perhaps Mother Nature has so bullied Father Time that he always takes up the side of my wife.

The past week, I have been thinking about this aspect of life; time. It seems that for the most part, we have put a lot of pressure upon time. For example, my wife keeps reminding me that time heals all wounds. If it was not for time I would have no wounds, I retorted.

I got in trouble just this past week because I was running out of time. I had to get across town for an appointment and believe me; time was not on my side. It would have been nice if I could just sit down with Father Time and negotiate a little bit. Would it be that hard for him to press the pause button and suspend time in order for me to catch up? Why is it so important that time keeps marching on? Why can't it, at least on the weekends, just take a slow stroll down memory lane?

Often I look at my watch to

determine if I have enough time to do a certain project. Time has become an austere taskmaster, refusing to give up one second.

Think with me a little bit. Wouldn't it be nice to have every week just one "do over" moment? How hard would that be? Father Time insists on perfection always. He does not allow for screw-ups, which is rather pressing for me. If I could just have one 15-minute period during the week that I could do over, I might be able to catch up a little.

He wants me to be "on time" every time. When it is 2 p.m., it is only 2 p.m. for one second that is all. I believe there is an error here somewhere. If time is so valuable, why can't I enjoy 2 p.m. for say, 15 minutes? But no, by the time I acknowledge that it is 2 p.m. Father Time is tapping his finger on his watch and saying, "Let's keep moving because time waits for no man."

At the very center of my life, and everybody else's as well, is the infamous clock representing time. And what a harsh, demanding element this invention has become. Who invented that clock in the first place? Why was it not good enough just to look at the sun and guess what time of day it was? If it was dark, it was time to go to sleep. If the sun was up and it was light outside, it was time to get up.

Oh, how I miss those good old days.

But no, Father Time tricked somebody into inventing a device that keeps time. Or, so Father Time convinced the unsuspecting inventor.

The joke is on us who wear watches. No watch I have ever owned has ever kept time. All it does is show me that time is passing and I am late for an appointment. Where

is that inventor that can invent some mechanism or some technology that can actually keep time? I would be the first one to buy such a contraption.

Why can't Bill Gates come out of retirement and do something useful for humanity and invent the technology that actually keeps time. I would settle for half-hour increments. I could live with that.

For many years now, time has not been on my side and neither has it been involved in the healing of any of my many wounds. Then never, contrary to what my wife says, has time ever told me anything. It just keeps on ticking while giving me a licking.

I am older, but certainly, I am not any wiser. And I blame Father Time. He has not given me enough time to learn everything that I need to know. Every day it seems I am always running out of time. And I cannot believe it is my fault.

Time marches on and I need to make the best of it as best I can.

The apostle Paul understood the urgency of this matter we call time. He writes in his epistle, "For he saith, I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I succoured thee: behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation." (2 Corinthians 6:2 KJV).

The only time we really have is now. I never have a "now" to do over, so I need to make time my friend and not my enemy.

*The Rev. James L. Snyder is pastor of the Family of God Fellowship, PO Box 831313, Ocala, FL 34483. He lives with his wife, Martha, in Silver Springs Shores. Call him at 352-687-4240 or e-mail jamesnsnyder2@att.net. The church website is www.whatafellowship.com.*

# Relay BRIEFS

## Relay For Life

Washington County's Relay For Life will be at 6 p.m. on May 11-12 at Pals Park soccer fields on Rustin Drive. This year's theme is "Storybook." This year's slogan is "Our Storybook Ending is a Cure." All teenagers without an adult must leave by midnight.

Holmes County's Relay will begin at noon April 28 at Memorial Field in Bonifay and will conclude at sunrise April 29.

## Luminaries for donations

All Relay For Life teams are selling luminaries to be displayed on the night of the Relay around the track. After dark, the Relay For Life celebration will include a special luminary ceremony. Encircling the track with lights of hope, the Luminary Ceremony reaches for tomorrow with each candle of life and touches the stars for only a moment to remember those of yesterday.

Your donation for each bag will place a luminary along the pathway to memorialize or honor someone you love. The bags will stay lit throughout the evening, reminding us that hope lives among us. The ceremony will begin just after dark. If you would like to participate in the ceremony by honoring or remembering a loved one who has battled cancer, contact a Relay For Life team.

## Relay track markers for sale

All Relay For Life teams are selling track markers to be displayed on the night of the Relay around the track. Track markers are 18 feet by 14 inches and are \$100. Rules for the markers:

- Message must fit in boxes on the order form
  - The squares include letters and/or spaces (there are 46 squares)
  - No logos or pictures
  - No political or campaign issues
  - Messages may be business or personal
- For more information, contact a team.

## Luminaria ceremony pictures due

For those wishing to honor someone who has

cancer or to remember someone you have lost to cancer, email your pictures to [clamb@chibleypaper.com](mailto:clamb@chibleypaper.com) or [cspears@chibleypaper.com](mailto:cspears@chibleypaper.com). Pictures may also be brought into the Washington County News. If you bring pictures in they will be scanned while you wait and then given back to you. These pictures will be shown on a PowerPoint presentation with names being read by Paul Goulding during the luminaria ceremony just after dark on May 11 at the Relay. Please make sure to include the name of the person in the picture. The deadline to have the pictures emailed or brought in will be 2 p.m. April 27.

## NWFRFC Offering

### WASHINGTON COUNTY

Tired of our same date nights? Support the Relay for Life by entering in your chance to win a night out on the town, which includes:

- Dinner for two at Bonefish Grill
- Movie tickets to a movie of your choice
- Two night hotel stay at any Marriot Hotel
- \$50 Walmart gift card

You can purchase a ticket for only \$5 a ticket or catch a deal with five tickets for \$20. Tickets will be on sale until the Relay for Life event on May 11. You can purchase the tickets from any member of "The Headshrinkers" team in the Main Unit Mental Health Department at 773-6100 D. Wiedlund ext. 259, D. Carter ext. 307, S. Weimorts ext. 309, K. Floys ext. 318, L. Hornsby ext. 306, or T. Trombly ext. 319.

## Sponsorship

### WASHINGTON COUNTY

Any one wishing to be a sponsor for this years Relay should call Cindy Johnson-Brown at 407-625-5111 or email her at [cindyadajon@gmail.com](mailto:cindyadajon@gmail.com) for more information. Sponsorships must be paid by March 30 to be included on the back of the participant T-shirts. Gold sponsorship is \$5,000, Silver sponsorship is \$3,500 and Bronze sponsorship is \$1,500. In order to get your name on the participant shirts you must be a Silver sponsor or Gold sponsor. All sponsors will be on the banner at Relay. Our sponsorship goal is \$8,000. As of March 5, we are at \$3,156.

## Jewell Miller

Jewell Gladys Miller, age 89, of Social Circle, Ga., died on April 11, 2012. She was born in Dacula, GA on Oct. 3, 1922 to the late Jesse Kiley and the late Bertha Kidd Kiley.

She was preceded in death by her husband, the late Robert Miller, and her son, the late Joel Michael Miller.

Surviving are daughters and son-in-law, Vivian Bush of Fountain, Evelyn and Ron Corn of Tucker, Ga., Alice Miller of Buffalo Valley, Tenn.; sons and daughters-in-law, Lewis and Kathleen Miller of Carmel, Ind., Aubrey and Glyniss Miller of Social

Circle Ga.; sister, Carol Turk of Winder, Ga.; brothers, Buck Kiley of Winder, Ga., and Clenton Kiley of Hoschtion, Ga.; 11 Grandchildren, and 19 Great Grandchildren.

A Funeral Service was held on Friday, April 13, 2012 at the Chapel of Meadows Funeral Home with the Rev. Richard Noth officiating. Interment followed on Saturday, April 14, 2012 at Bonifay City Cemetery in Bonifay. Meadows Funeral Home, Inc. was in charge of arrangements. Please sign the guestbook at [www.meadwsfuneralhomeinc.com](http://www.meadwsfuneralhomeinc.com).

## Earl D. Davidson

Mr. Earl Donnie Davidson, age 68, of Vernon, passed away April 13, 2012 at Bonifay Nursing and Rehab Center in Bonifay. He was born Aug. 10, 1943. As a special friend of the Compton and Austin families of Vernon, "He was a man with a heart of gold, a diamond

in the rough. He had love for man and beast alike, an angel in disguise. Now he's homeward bound for Heaven above. Peace at last." Your Loving Friend, James Reubin Austin friend of the Compton and Austin families of Vernon, "He was a man with a heart of gold, a diamond

## Mary O. Ward



MARY O. WARD

Mrs. Mary Odie Enfinger Ward, age 84, of Ponce de Leon, passed away April 6, 2012 at Bay Medical Center in Panama City. She was born Jan. 22, 1928 in Red Level, Ala., to the late Leon

C. Enfinger and Martha V. Ramer Enfinger. Mrs. Ward graduated from Port St. Joe High School in 1947. She is an honorary alumni of the Class of 1947 at Ponce de Leon High School where she attended most of her school career. She married in 1949 to James and began a wonderful life that would allow her to live in 16 different countries. When James retired, they moved back to where it all started from, Ponce de Leon. Mrs. Ward went to work for Holmes County Council of Aging where she started as the bookkeeper and 18 years later retired as the Assistant Director and Bookkeeper. Mrs. Ward spent her time after retiring going to church and shopping. She also enjoyed reading the Bible.

Mrs. Ward is preceded in death by her parents and a loving stepmother, Leola Morris Enfinger and a half-sister, Donna Gail Enfinger Redmon.

Mrs. Ward is survived by her husband of 63 years, James Earl Ward; a son, Terry Ward of Tallahassee; a daughter, Sherry Ward of Ponce de Leon; a daughter/niece, Susie Moon of Ponce de Leon.

Funeral services were held at 9 a.m. Wednesday, April 11, 2012 at Peel Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Edward Williams and Speaker Don Morris officiating. Interment followed in the Ponce de Leon Cemetery with Peel Funeral Home of Bonifay directing. Pallbearers serving were Don Morris, Wade Moon, Billy Jack Mitchum, Frankie Townsend, Scott Simmons, and Wilburn Baker. Family received friends from 5 to 7 p.m. Tuesday at Peel Funeral Home in Bonifay.

## Willie F. Williams

Mr. Willie "Billy" Frank Williams age 69 of Bayou George, passed away on Monday, April 9, 2012 at his home. He was a native of Caryville, moving to Panama City in 1977. Mr. Williams was of the Baptist faith and was a member of the International Union of Operating Engineers Local #675. He retired from Tower King, Inc. after giving 36 years of services as a Tower Technician Supervisor Operator. Billy was a good man to all that knew him even when they weren't looking.

Mr. Williams was preceded in death by his parents, Eugene and Seretha Williams; two brothers, Carlton Williams and Charles Wayne Williams.

He is survived by his loving wife, Andrea Williams of Bayou George;

four sons, Roger Williams and Doug Williams both of Chipley, Matt Cody of Mobile, Ala., and Bill Williams of Albany, N.Y.; two daughters, Lori Swearington and her husband Mark of Chipley and Kris Peoples of Bayou George; one sister, Jill Milford of Panama City; 13 grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

A celebration of life service was held at 2 p.m., on Thursday, April 12, 2012 in the Marianna Chapel Funeral Home with Chaplain Virgil Tillman officiating. A time of remembrance will be held one hour prior to the service. Marianna Chapel Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Expressions of sympathy may be submitted online at [www.mariannachapelff.com](http://www.mariannachapelff.com).

## Donald B. Nelson

Donald Bryan Nelson, age 91, passed from this life Thursday, April 12, 2012 in Dothan Ala., at Flowers Hospital. He was a native of Washington County and a Baptist by Faith. Donald graduated from Chipley High School in 1938, the University of Florida in 1942, served in the Army Air Corps during WWII. He graduated from Auburn University as a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine in 1954. He was born to the late John Wesley and Eva (Harrell) Nelson Dec. 13, 1920.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Florence Marie (Salter) Nelson; three brothers, Rex, Farrell, and Julian Nelson, and one sister, Nannie Merle Nelson.

His survivors include two sons, Donald Nelson of Chipley, Dr. Wes Nelson and wife Laura of Dothan,

Ala.; two daughters, Mary Gano and husband Richard of Southport, and Kathleen Woodham of Chipley; seven grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at 3 p.m. Saturday, April 14, 2012 at Brown Funeral Home Brickyard Road Chapel with the Rev. Shawn Justice and Donald Rogers officiating. Interment followed at New Orange Baptist Cemetery. Visitation was held at 1:30 p.m. just prior to the service. The family suggests those wishing to do so, make contributions to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, 1311 Mamaroneck Ave., Suite 310, White Plains, N.Y. 10605, or to the New Orange Baptist Church Cemetery Fund. Friends and Family may sign the online registry at [www.brownfh.net](http://www.brownfh.net).

## Martha Jane Darling

Mrs. Martha Jane Darling, age 97, of Bonifay, passed away April 11, 2012 at her home. She was born Sept. 28, 1914 in Williamsport, Pa., to the late Frederick Allen Waltz and Adda Jane Lundy Waltz.

In addition to her parents, Mrs. Darling is preceded in death by her husband, Howard Darling.

Mrs. Darling is survived by her son, Gary Darling and wife Pam of Bonifay; two grandchildren, Chris Darling, Wendy and

husband James Pilcher both of Bonifay; two great-grandchildren, Trenton Pilcher and Lyndsey Pilcher.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. Friday, April 13, 2012 at the First United Methodist Church of Bonifay with the Rev. Dan Godwin officiating. Interment followed in the Bonifay City Cemetery with Peel Funeral Home directing. Visitation was from 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday at Peel Funeral Home.

# Community CALENDAR

## Library hours

Wausau Library  
Monday: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Tuesday: 1-6 p.m.  
Wednesday: Closed  
Thursday: 1-6 p.m.  
Friday: Closed  
Saturday: Closed  
Sunday: Closed

## Holmes County Library (Bonifay)

Monday: Closed  
Tuesday: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Wednesday: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Thursday: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Friday: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Saturday: 8 a.m. to noon  
Sunday: Closed

## Washington County Library (Chipley)

Monday: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
Tuesday: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
Wednesday: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
Thursday: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
Friday: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
Saturday: Closed  
Sunday: Closed

## Vernon Library

Monday: Closed  
Tuesday: 1-6 p.m.  
Wednesday: 1-6 p.m.  
Thursday: Closed  
Friday: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Saturday: Closed  
Sunday: Closed

## Sunny Hills Library

Monday: 1-6 p.m.  
Tuesday: Closed  
Wednesday: 1-6 p.m.  
Thursday: Closed  
Friday: Closed  
Saturday: Closed  
Sunday: Closed

## MONDAY

10 a.m. to noon: Holmes Council on Aging provides bingo, exercise, games, activities, hot meals and socialization.

11 a.m.: Washington Council on Aging (Chipley) senior lunches; for reservations, call 638-6217. Donations accepted.

5 p.m. Coupon clipping at the Washington County Library

6-7:30 p.m.: Salvation Army Domestic Violence and Rape Crisis Program hosts a domestic violence support group at the SADVP Rural Outreach office, 1461 S. Railroad Ave., Apartment 1, in Chipley. Call Emma or Jess at 415-5999.

## TUESDAY

10 a.m. to noon: Holmes Council on Aging provides hot meals and socialization.

11 a.m.: Washington Council on Aging senior lunches; for reservations, call 638-6217. Noon: Chipley

Kiwanis Club meeting.  
Noon: Alcoholics Anonymous open meeting, New Life Assembly

Fellowship Hall, Chipley.  
6 p.m.: Holmes County Commission meets second Tuesdays.

7 p.m.: Narcotics Anonymous meeting, Blessed Trinity Catholic Church on County 177A

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## Community EVENTS

### Adult Driving Class offered in Holmes County

**BONIFAY** — Holmes County Council on Aging is offering American Association of Retired Persons refresher driving course from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Friday, April 20 at the Ester Lodge 144 on Tracy Street in Bonifay.

It's an eight-hour class with frequent 10-minute breaks and a lunch break at noon.

This is a refresher driving class for those 50-years of age and older and is \$12 for AARP members and \$14 for non-members.

For more information contact JoAnn Albrilton at 547-2345 or Henry Day at 535-2657.

### 5th annual Groce reunion

**LYNN HAVEN** — The fifth annual Groce Reunion will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday April 21. This year it will be held at the Leslie Porter Park in Lynn Haven. As you enter Lynn Haven from the North on Highway 77. This reunion is in honor of Mary and Claude Groce whom were married in the early 1900s and lived their entire lifetime in Holmes County. All relatives and friends are invited, come and bring a well-filled picnic

basket. We certainly hope you'll come be with us for a time of fellowship and meeting new members of the family. For more information or concerns please call Donna at 773-3456. Please bring pictures. Hope to see you there.

### Farmers Market Coupons

**CHIPLEY** — Washington County Council On Aging will be taking applications for Farmers' Market Coupons from 8:30 a.m. until on April 25 at their offices at 1348 South Blvd, in Chipley. To be eligible you must be at least 60 years of age and live in Washington County. To apply you must bring a drivers license or a picture ID, and proof of income. Qualifying applicants will receive \$40 worth of coupons to purchase fresh produce from program farmers markets. For more information call 638-6216.

### Washington Rehab and Nursing Center to Hold Open House

**CHIPLEY** — The Washington Rehab and Nursing Center will be holding an open House and Hall of Fame Cafe on April 26. The open house will be from 4:30 to 6 p.m. The Hall of Fame Cafe will begin at 6 p.m. Please come out and

help us celebrate our new 5 star rating.

### 14th Annual Gulf Coast Charity Horse Show

**PANAMA CITY BEACH** — The 14th Annual Gulf Coast Charity Horse Show and Music Festival will be held April 26 – 28 at Frank Brown Park. Shows will start daily at 6:30 p.m.

### Worship Under the Stars 2012

**CHIPLEY** — Worship Under the Stars 2012 will be kicking off this year on April 28 and will be held again at 1100 Main Street, Chipley, featuring two great bands and a guest speaker.

The music and fun will start at 7 p.m. and will run till 9:30 p.m. at the latest. Bring your family and friends and anyone else who would enjoy a relaxed evening of contemporary worship music and fellowship. Food and drinks will be available. Dress is casual and this is an open format public event.

"Our ministry is aware of an event last year in which our volume level was unacceptable and we would like to apologize and assure you that measures have been taken to ensure that this cannot and will not happen again," said Cody Baker

with Bridge. "We would also like to thank the community of Chipley for your unwavering support last year, and hope that you will come out and join us this year, too, as we continue to move forward in our calling. Bring your friends, family and your lawn chair and plan to have an evening of worship and fellowship in our community. Food and drinks will be available. This is a family friendly, all age appropriate event."

### LVWC Make the Grade Homework Program

The Literacy Volunteers of Washington County will be offering an after school program at the Caryville Community Center. Make the Grade homework program is centered around helping families help children with homework to improve literacy. Hours will be from 4-6 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays.

The Literacy Volunteers of Washington County programs are free of charge and our certified tutors are dedicated to preparing students to reach their goals. Whether they need reading, math, English as a second language or help in preparing for their GED test. The Literacy volunteers are

always available to assist them. We are always on the lookout for tutors and students. For more information call Mairanda King at 638-6317 or 373-3787.

### LVWC to Offer Mommy and Me

Literacy Volunteers of Washington County will be offering a Mommy and Me Single Parent Program. This program centers around the growing number of young undereducated mothers in Washington County. This class provides the opportunity to bring your children and study at your own pace to further your education. We offer a great support for anyone interested. This class will be held at the Vernon Center at the Vernon city hall in room two on Mondays from 9:30 to 10:30 p.m. Please Pre register with Lara Stucki at 260-5541

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### 2012 Holmes County Farm Bureau Youth Scholarship

**HOLMES COUNTY** — The Holmes County Farm Bureau will award a \$1000 scholarship annually, \$500 per semester, to a graduating senior from any Holmes County high school who will be attending any college or post-secondary school.

To be eligible to receive the scholarship the parents or grandparents of the applicant must be a current member (in good standing) of Holmes County Farm Bureau and have maintained their membership for at least two years prior to the application.

Applicants must complete the application and include a copy of their high school transcripts and a letter of acceptance to the college. In order to receive the second semester award applicants must send official notice from the college that shows they are in good standing.

The application deadline is May 1. To get an application or for more information call Debe Miller at 547-4227.



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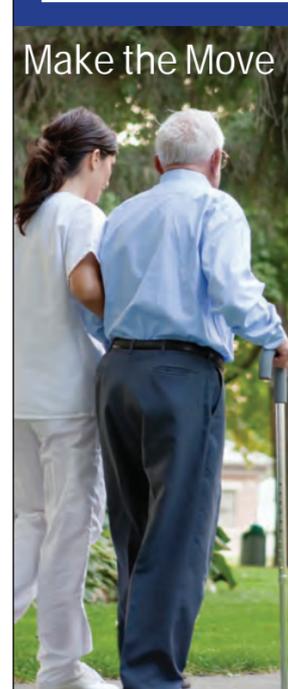
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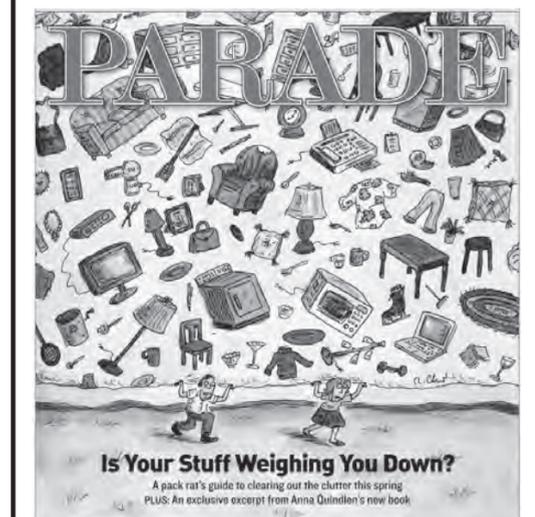
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**LEGAL ADVERTISING 1100**

4-5074 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HOLMES COUNTY, FLORIDA, Civil Circuit  
**CASE NO. 12-21CA RICHARD J. GILMORE, WILLIS C. WILSON AND JOHN E. WORTHINGTON, Plaintiffs v. JOSEPH H. BASS AND HEATHER L. BASS, Defendants**

**CLERK'S NOTICE OF SALE**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the cause pending in the Circuit Court in and for Holmes County, Florida, being case no. 12-2CA, the undersigned clerk will sell the property situate in Holmes County, Florida described as follows:

Commence at the SE Corner of Section 15, Township 5 North, Range 17 West, thence run along the south line of said section S89°44'05"W for 1335.87 feet, thence run N00°19'48"E for 1035.72 feet for a POB, thence continue N00°19'48"E for 330.00 feet, thence run S89°20'34"E for 637.99 feet to the Western most right of way of a proposed 60 foot wide road right of way, thence along said right of way S00°20'01"W for 330.00 feet, thence run N89°20'34"W (Bearing Base) for 637.99 feet to the POB containing 4.83 acres more or less, all lying and being a part of the SE ¼ of Section 15, Township 5 North, Holmes County, Florida. AND: Commence at the SE Corner of Section 15, Township 5 North, Range 17 West, thence run along the south line of said section S89°44'05"W for 1335.87 feet, thence run N00°19'48"E for 1035.72 feet for a POB, thence continue N00°19'48"E for 330.00 feet, thence run S89°20'34"E for 637.99 feet to the Western most right of way of a proposed 60 foot wide road right of way, thence along said right of way S00°20'01"W for 330.00 feet, thence run N89°20'34"W (Bearing Base) for 637.99 feet to the point of beginning, containing 4.83 acres more or less, all lying in and being a part of the SE ¼ of Section 15, Township 5 North, Range 17 West, Holmes County, Florida, at public sale, to the highest and best bidder for cash at 11:00 a.m. on the 10th day of May 2012, at the front door of the Holmes County Courthouse, Bonifay, FL. Dated this 9 day of April, 2012  
CODY TAYLOR  
CLERK OF COURT  
By: Cindy Jackson  
Deputy Clerk

As published in the Holmes County Times Advertiser April 18, 25, 2012.

**LEGAL ADVERTISING 1100**

4-5069 PUBLIC SALE  
Tharp & Sons Mini Storage in Bonifay, FL. will hold a sale on these units for non-payment of unit in accordance with the FL Statute Act 83-801-83-809. Tenants will have until April 26, 2012 to pay in full. No checks are accepted.  
1. Daisy Queen, Cherokee, N.C.  
2. Ashley Edmonson, Westville, FL.  
3. Unknown

As published in the Holmes County Times Advertiser April 11, 18, 2012.

4-5073 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR HOLMES COUNTY, FLORIDA  
**CASE NO. 12-34-PR IN RE: ESTATE OF BONNIE ANDREW BOOTHE.** Deceased.

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
The administration of the estate of BONNIE ANDREW BOOTHE, deceased, whose date of death was January 11, 2012, and the last four digits of whose social security number are 8497, is pending in the Circuit Court for Holmes County, Florida, the address of which is P.O. Box 397, Bonifay, FL 32425-0397. 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 first publication of this notice is April 11, 2012. JOHN P. MARTIN  
Attorney for Petitioner  
Florida Bar No. 0055440 SPN# 01681259. 401 South Lincoln Avenue, Clearwater, Florida 33756. Telephone: (727)467-9470.  
GERALD R. CHRISTIE  
Personal Representative  
12718 Tar Flower Drive, Tampa, FL 33626.

As published in the Holmes County Times Advertiser April 11, 18, 2012.

4-5064 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR HOLMES COUNTY, FLORIDA DIVISION PROBATE, FILE NO. 12-26PR IN RE: ESTATE OF HAZEL G. CHRISTIE, Deceased.

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
The administration of the estate of HAZEL G. CHRISTIE, deceased, whose date of death was November 17, 2011; File Number 12-26PR, is pending in the Circuit Court for HOLMES County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is P.O. Box 397, Bonifay, Florida 32425. 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 first publication of this notice is April 18, 2012. Attorney for Personal Representative: TIMOTHY H. WELLS  
Florida Bar No. 559806  
P.O. Box 155  
Bonifay, FL 32425-0155  
(850) 547-3644.  
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**AUCTIONS 3130**

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