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## IN BRIEF

### Ponce de Leon High Fundraiser

**WESTVILLE** — Ponce de Leon High School's FCCLA Chapter will have a fundraiser from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. April 5 at the Pine Log Community Volunteer Fire and Rescue. There will be a yard sale and hamburger and hot dog plates for \$5. The FCCLA is raising money for travel expenses to their national convention in San Antonio.

### HCHS Alumni luncheon

**CHIPLEY** — Holmes County High School alumni will have a luncheon at 11 a.m., April 8 a Baileys Surf and Turf. For more information, call 547-3526.

### Byrd benefit

**WESTVILLE** — Westville City Hall will serve fish, smoked pork and chicken plates with two sides starting at 10 a.m. April 5. Plates will cost \$6, and all proceeds will go to Zan Braxton Byrd to help pay medical expenses.

### HCHS spring musical planned

**BONIFAY** — The Holmes County High School Drama Department will present the musical "Cats" at 7 p.m. May 8-10, 12 and 15 in the HCHS Auditorium.

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# Board partners with Embry-Riddle

Holmes to sign contract with aeronautical university

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**BONIFAY** — Holmes County District School Board approved to sign a contract agreement to partner with Embry-Riddle Aeronautical

University during their regular meeting on March 18. "The equipment needed from us is computers, which we already have and most of the required equipment and items are supplied by them," said Superintendent of Holmes County Schools Eddie

Dixon. "The students enrolled will receive dual credits and the estimated cost per year is \$1,800. Kids are really excited about it." Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University focuses on the study

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# GUARDIAN SHORTAGE

Counties report lack of much needed volunteers

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**CHIPLEY** — Judge Chris Patterson of the 14th Judicial Circuit praises volunteers with the Guardian ad Litem program as the ears and eyes of the court — and the voice of the state's at risk children. However, Judge Patterson and 14th Judicial Circuit Director of GAL Recruiting and Training, Theresa Roberts, say a volunteer shortage can make the voices of Holmes and Washington counties' children more difficult to hear.

By law, every child under state supervision must have a guardian ad litem.

"Guardian ad Litem volunteers are the boots on the ground for the judge," said Roberts. "But (one person) can't possibly visit all 70 kids in Washington and Holmes counties."

"There is a tremendous need for volunteers in Holmes and Washington counties," agreed



Judge Chris Patterson (center) swore in the area's two newest Guardian Ad Litem, Dorothy Powell (left) and Rhonda Dickinson Thursday.

Judge Patterson. "They serve as the child's advocate and conduit for me in court. The parents have representation, the Department of Children and Families have representation, and the children need representation, too."

"They have that through the Guardian ad Litem volunteers," he added. "They're the ones who speak up for the child, and it's a great pleasure for me to serve with those who give so

freely of their time for these children. They can tell you how rewarding this process is."

Ideally, there should be one volunteer per household in each county. Amy Griffin, Case Coordinator for Holmes and Washington counties, says the area needs at least ten more volunteers to alleviate the shortage.

To volunteer, candidates must take a 30-hour class and pass an application process.

"We require the chil-

dren be seen at least once a month, but volunteers can go as often as they like," said Griffin. "We work around the volunteers' schedules, even ensuring they don't have to stay the entire day when subpoenaed for court."

The most recent swearing in of volunteers was held at the Guardian ad Litem office, located at 1352 South Blvd. in Chipley.

To volunteer, contact Griffin at 638-6043.



SPECIAL TO THE NEWS

Shannon, pictured shortly after her rescue, was characterized as "unusually quiet" during the ordeal, but is now a bubbly, energetic five-year old.

# Where is she now?

Baby Shannon is happy, healthy 5-year-old

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**CHIPLEY** — It's been nearly five years since the eyes of the nation were fixed on Chipley, watching as the search for 7-month old Shannon Dedrick unfolded.

The conclusion was a rare happy ending, with Washington County Sheriff Bobby Haddock reporting "Baby Shannon", as she became known worldwide, had been found.

"We are the proud papas of a baby girl," Haddock said in a national press conference. "There were a lot of grown men crying and shedding tears. Percentage-wise, we usually don't get this kind of ending."

But Baby Shannon's story had just begun.

Now living with a family member in another state, she celebrated her fifth birthday while in Chipley Thursday, surrounded by her newly adoptive mother and the men and women who came to know her as their own. Law enforcement "family" who helped celebrate included Sheriff Haddock and Investigator Kenny Brock, who discovered Shannon hidden in a 2x3 locked cedar box in culmination of a search

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# Council swearing in new and returning members

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**BONIFAY** — Council member Andrew Granger and Mayor Lawrence Cloud were sworn in during Monday night's meeting of the Bonifay City Council, which included swearing in the newest council member, Larry White, who ran for Council member Micah McCormick's position but since McCormick didn't run for reelection White has the seat by default.

Cloud appointed Council member Richard Woodham as Vice Mayor.

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Council member Andrew Granger and Mayor Lawrence Cloud were sworn in at Monday's meeting of the Bonifay City Council as well as a new council member, Larry White.

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# Gaetz adds 'Stand Your Ground' to bill

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State Rep. Matt Gaetz has introduced legislation to allow people found innocent of criminal charges using the Stand Your Ground defense the ability to request their records in those cases be expunged.

The amendment, introduced Wednesday and passed by the House on Thursday as an adjunct to a larger bill, generated controversy because some media outlets believe Gaetz's

proposal would hinder public access to court records.

"One Florida lawmaker is seeking to impede the media's ability to scrutinize the law," the Huffington Post Politics website reported.

Gaetz said that under his amendment, a vindicated Stand Your Ground defendant would have to seek certification from a state attorney "that says you stood your ground and charges would be improper."

Only then, Gaetz said, could the defendant petition a judge to expunge the official court record.

"If someone rightfully stands their ground and a state attorney and judge agree they rightfully stood their ground, I don't believe that a person should have a criminal record for the rest of their life," said Gaetz, R-Fort Walton Beach.

The Tampa Bay Times investigated Stand Your Ground in 2012 by reviewing 200 cases in which the law had been used as defense in a criminal proceeding.

Times Editor and Vice President Neil Brown, quoted on the Huffington Post website, said his paper's investigation would have been more difficult with Gaetz's legisla-

tion in place.

"Closing records and putting controversial cases that involve violence into the dark is a bad idea," Brown was quoted as saying. "Our work was done based on court records as well as the stories of the incidents when they occurred."

Gaetz said the Times "misrepresented the issue."

"The amendment I passed gives no Floridian any automatic right to expunge an arrest," he said. Neither would his amendment prevent media scrutiny of the Stand Your Ground law, Gaetz said.

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of science and technology in the area of aviation and aerospace and the partnership with the Holmes County District School Board will allow high school students access to online courses as dual enrollment at the Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University with an option to continue enrollment after graduation.

Board approved of Overnight/Out of State Trips for Bethlehem High School's Seniors to take their class trip to Orlando on April 24

through 28; Poplar Springs High School's senior class to visit historical sights in St. Augustine on May 21 through 26; Ponce de Leon High School's FCCLA Club to attend the FCCLA National Conference Competitive Events in San Antonio, on July 5 through 11; Bethlehem High School's FFA Club to attend Soil Judging in Sebring on March 27 and 28 pending win; and Holmes County High School's Beta Club to compete in the NAQT Small School

National Championship Tournament in Minneapolis, Minn.

School board member Shirley Owens said she was proud of the Holmes County District School Board on their representation at the legislative gathering on March 19, where Owens and School board members Sid Johnson, Debbie Kolmetz and Jason Motley traveled to Tallahassee for a legislative briefing, tour of the capital and visitation with Florida senators and

representatives.

Owens then asked Dixon why Holmes County was the only county not to hold a presentation for Teacher of the Year.

Dixon responded that it wasn't allowed by the school board and would have to be authorized and organized by the Teachers' Union.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Holmes County District School Board is set for 9 a.m. on April 1.



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Holmes County District School Board reviews contract agreement with Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University during their regular meeting March 18.

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that took a total of four thousand man-hours and the involvement of numerous local, state and federal agencies.

The friendly, chatty five-year old enthusiastically played with her birthday gifts, showing no signs of her ordeal.

Sheriff Haddock says there's no doubt of Shannon's resilience.

"The raw emotion we felt finding Shannon alive five years ago pales in comparison to the joy we

experience watching this child grow and experience life with uninhibited hope," stated Sheriff Haddock. "Shannon is happy, thriving and taking on the world with the same feisty nature we saw all those years ago. There is a light in her eyes and that is our definition of success."

Like most girls her age, she enjoys playing with Barbies, watching movies starring the Disney princesses and going to Disney-

World, a past time her mother indulges every chance she gets.

Protecting Shannon's privacy remains a priority for her mother, especially with the national attention the case received. Shannon, who has a different name for public use, checks in with the 14th Judicial Circuit on an annual basis, making sure she gets a chance to see Sheriff Haddock each time.

While Shannon's nightmare has seemingly evolved into a fai-

rytale, the villain in this real life story has been put away for a long time. Judge Allen Register sentenced Susan Baker to 25 years in prison in 2010, stating her actions were "bizarre and cruel". Authorities discovered Shannon at Baker's home in the closed small cedar chest, shoved underneath a bed. Baker reportedly stashed the baby in the box whenever investigators were near, using baking soda to mask the smell of

Shannon's dirty diapers.

Baker, who is Shannon's step aunt, occasionally babysat her, and had been given the child by her mother, who reportedly agreed to give Baker full custody. The motives for her actions are still unclear.

"We may never know why she did it," Haddock told The News Thursday. "The important thing is she was sound safe and is happy and thriving today."

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"We can't thank you enough for your continual dedication and selfless service to the City of Bonifay for 35 years," said Cloud. "Thank you. I don't know how we could do it without you."

Council discussed several drainage issues brought to the council by residents, to which Marell advised that residents should avoid raking leaves into the ditches, adding that it is actually against the residential up-



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The next meeting of the

Bonifay City Council is set for 6 p.m. on April 14.

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# Be aware of toxic household items



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As caring pet owners, we are typically well aware of the various dangers that threaten our furry friends' safety. Keeping their vaccinations up to date, making

sure they are properly groomed, and providing them with the most nutritious food to ensure good health are just a few things that we tend to with the utmost importance. However, numerous pet-poisonous items commonly found around our households are often overlooked and can be detrimental to our pets' lives.

A large variety of household plants, foods and chemicals that are considered safe for human use are toxic to our pets. Some of the most dangerous plants to keep out of your pets reach include any flowers in the lily family, including sago palms, oleander, foxglove, castor bean and poinsettias. Though these are bad for both cats and dogs, the toxic dose often differs between species.

"Some of the most common foods that can be toxic to dogs are grapes and raisins, or any food items containing the artificial sweetener xylitol, which can be contained in chewing gum as well as many low-calorie foods as a sugar substitute," said Dr. Medora Pashmakova, a clinical associate professor in emergency and critical care at the Texas A&M College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences. "Chocolate is also a well-known toxin to pets; however, it's particularly the dark chocolate and baking chocolate varieties that pose the real threats due to their higher cocoa and theobromine content."

Although cats are more discerning when it comes to eating household items, grooming themselves after coming into contact with any toxic chemicals can be very dangerous. "Owners of cats should be vigilant about any chemical spills or even the use of countertop cleaning products, which can be caustic when cats groom themselves after being in contact," Pashmakova said. "In addition, even small volumes of ingested antifreeze or



coolant fluid can be lethal to cats and requires seeing a veterinarian right away, without waiting for clinical signs to appear."

A good rule of thumb is that if something is toxic to humans, it is likely toxic to our pets as well. "At the same time, medications considered safe in people (such as over the counter pain medications or cold/flu medications) are NOT safe for dogs and cats," Pashmakova said. "Never give your dog or cat human medications without speaking to a veterinarian first."

Dr. Pashmakova said keeping your pets safe is similar to keeping babies safe. This sometimes includes pet-proofing your house and anticipating what cats, dogs, ferrets and other small animals can get into. "Keeping cupboards secured, bathrooms closed, bathroom garbage stowed away, medications locked up and any chemical spills cleaned up quickly and thoroughly are just some basics that all pet owners should keep in mind," Pashmakova said. "Having a good plan of action in the event of ingestion is also key." This can be something as simple as calling your veterinarian during daytime hours or calling an emergency hospital after-hours.

If your pet ingests any of these items, it is best to play it safe and contact your veterinarian or the Animal Poison Control Center; they can help you determine if your pet needs to be seen by a doctor and if they consumed a toxic dose. The Texas A&M Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital ER is always available to advise on toxic ingestions, and the Animal Poison Control Hotline affiliated with the University of Illinois veterinary school is a 24/7 resource with board-certified toxicologists to advise owners or veterinarians on how to deal with toxicities.

There is no harm in being extra cautious when dealing with possible toxicities around the house. Be sure to keep these particular items out of your pet's reach at all times, and to call your veterinarian or poison control center immediately if they do come into contact with them. It is always better to be safe than sorry when it comes to the safety of your furry family member.

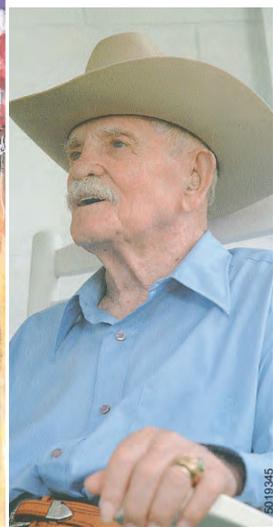
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I am a country girl from a small town near the Smoky Mountains. For several generations, my paternal grandfather's family farmed and labored in a sawmill. Farming and raising livestock was the way of life of my maternal grandfather's family. Both of my parents are descendants of hardworking people who expected everyone to do their part.

When my parents married, my father was a teacher in a small rural school and my mother was a hairdresser in a beauty shop. My mother went to college ten years after she graduated from high school. Although my mother had two young children, she worked two jobs to help support the family while attending college. She then became a teacher and is currently in her 30th year in the educational system working with children with disabilities. My father retired after 30 years in education. While my father taught, he also drove a school bus to help supplement the family's income. This meant that he worked twelve (12) hour days, five days a week.

I am very proud of my family. Both parents, by example, taught my brother and I the importance of hard work and respect for others.

I met my husband in law school and marrying him was the second best decision of my life. (The best decision was to become a Christian.) After we married, we returned to his home in Calhoun County, where he is a sixth generation Calhoun Countian. His family background, values, and beliefs are similar to mine.

We have been blessed with two wonderful sons. The oldest son is ten and the youngest is five. Both boys love baseball. One of our favorite family activities is to attend their baseball games.

I have practiced law for the past fifteen years. My experience is extensive and includes criminal law, family law, real estate law, labor law cases and numerous other types of civil litigation.

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## Thankful for Southern hospitality

My first month as Editor of the Washington County News and Holmes County Times Advertiser has been met with overwhelming community response, and I am grateful. This is no surprise, though, as that's the kind of treatment I remember our small communities giving when I was growing up here in the late 80s and early 90s.

There are few who have the pleasure of waking up and being able to unabashedly say, "Yippee! I get to go to work today!"

I am one of those lucky few.

My love for the written word developed at a young age, having a long history of pets and vehicles named after favorite authors, including a cat named Ernest Hemingway.

This affinity for writing seems a perfect marriage with the genuine love I have for this community. This new role will give me an even better opportunity to meet and serve more of you, my extended family.

Here in the infancy of my experience as an editor, there is a lot to learn, but I also have high hopes for The News and The Times-Advertiser this year. Our goal is to serve the community objectively and responsibly while giving our readers the best possible newspaper with each issue.

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newspapers. They were here long before most of us and feature news about you and people you know. The paper serves as a forum for your opinions and chronicles the milestones of your family, from those who came before you, to your children and grandchildren today.

It is for this reason, I hope to be a part of those milestones and look forward to featuring them in your local paper.

I used to simplistically believe working for a newspaper was comprised of just two skills: reporting and writing. Over time, I have learned first, that I do not work for these newspapers; I am simply employed by them. I actually work for my community. Second, everything else will come as long as I remember that first lesson.

I once heard that to write was to become "conscious." When you're conscious and writing from a place of insight, simplicity, and real caring about truth, you have the ability to throw the lights on for your reader.

I will certainly make accuracy a first priority and accept the risk of possibly being disliked on occasion for reporting with facts. Editors have a moral obligation to do nothing less.

Your help and advice in doing so will always be appreciated. The editor's door is always open.



CAROL KENT  
Editor



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Hazel Wells Tison stands at a well.

# Before rural electrification, drawing water from the well was daily chore

*Drawing water, a daily chore to us, offers today's children an opportunity to experience a link with the past and develop a greater appreciation for the ready source of water which we should never take for granted.*

As we know, the three basic needs of man are water, food, and shelter. Through -out history, the availability of water has influenced the development of civilization. Today, we turn on the tap and water comes forth and we take its availability for granted.

For those of my generation who grew up in the country before rural electrification, a central hand-dug well was the source of all water needs about the home, and it was drawn up with a bucket and rope or chain.

Songs such as The Old Oaken Bucket romanticized the drawing of water from an open well, but the daily chore of drawing water was not a "dear to my childhood" memory. A Zinc bucket, not an oaken bucket, was used for drawing up the water, but for other uses as well.

A water bucket sat on a shelf on the back porch where field hands washed up in enamel wash pans before meals, and where we washed our faces upon arising in the morning and our feet before retiring at night. A zinc or enamel bucket in the kitchen also held the water used for filling the ever-present kettle which sat on the wood stove and supplied water for cooking and dish washing. Many wood stoves also had a reservoir which had to be filled from the bucket. Whenever these were empty, a trip to the well was necessary.

Livestock and chickens needed a source of fresh water and that also came from the well and was drawn up by the zinc bucket and toted or hauled to the chicken yard or barn yard. Since we had open range, the cattle only came in the barn for the night, so they found their water in a near-by creek. The hogs also found their source of water.

However, the mule stalls had to have a constant supply of water. We also gathered and tied into bunches many bundles of turnips and other greens for sale. In order to keep them fresh and to remove some of

the soil which clings to the roots, we dipped them into zinc tubs of water drawn from the well with the zinc bucket.

Hog-killing days called for a lot of water from the well as the vat for scalding was filled from water drawn up from the well. Sometimes on those days, a drum full of water might be transported to the vat on the mule-drawn ground slide. Gallons of water for washing the chitterlings used for sausage casings also had to be drawn from the well. It was usually my chore to use a dipper and pour a stream of water through the smelly things as

Aunt Willie Mae Wells or Verdie Hewett or whoever was doing the scraping or ridding as it was called held them open.

Wash days required a lot of water-drawing. Many squeaks of the rope and pulley were required to fill the black iron wash pot and three zinc tubs for the weekly wash day. Needless to say, clothes were worn for several days and when you hear a joke about a weekly bath, it is no joke.

After the clothes were washed, often the floors were scrubbed with the lye water used to boil the dirty clothes. Then the rinse water would be poured on the floors to rinse them. Also about once a year, the kitchen chairs would get a bath in the lye water and rinsed in the tubs and left in the sun to dry. No water was wasted. Clean rinse water might be left in the sun to get warm for a bath that evening.

Instead of an open well, a few people had a pitcher pump and later, a bigger pump with a long handle that functioned the same way by means of a vacuum which drew up the water. In fact, our grandma had a pitcher pump with a sink installed in

her kitchen by her enterprising son, Uncle Josh Wells. She was the first person I knew to have "running" water in her kitchen. They still had the well outside for all other uses.

Most rural churches had no well and I have memories of going to all-day singings at Bethel in Washington County and St. Johns and New Effort in Holmes County. At Bethel, we'd walk down the hill to the Tom Collins home at the Brackin homestead where we drank from a common dipper the cool water drawn up with a zinc bucket. I don't suppose it ever occurred to us the possibility of spreading disease with the use of the common dipper. At New Effort, we walked to the Elliot home.

At St Johns, it was the Leavins home, I believe. St Johns had a spring near-by where some of the men of the church had enclosed a small pool which they used for baptisms, but I don't recall drinking from the spring. Some of the boys would slip away and go swimming there.

At Brackin School, we didn't draw water, as the spring had been channeled via a curbing and then through a pipe under a concrete slab. We could squat and drink directly from the pipe or we could drink from the common dipper and bucket carried to the classroom.

We are in the process of opening the well that supplied the Tison family with water for the purpose of allowing visiting children to experience the way our generation did laundry before rural families had electricity. Drawing water, a daily chore to us, offers today's children an opportunity to experience a link with the past and develop a greater appreciation for the ready source of water which we should never take for granted.

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# Holmes County Court Dockets

## March 12, 2014

**Bryan James Brookshire**, defendant present with attorney, withdrew previous denial, admitted violation, stipulated to a factual basis, court accepted plea and sentenced defendant as follows: Count 1: possession of controlled substance; probation revoked, adjudicated guilty, 1 year community control followed by 3 years probation, \$500 fine, reimposed special conditions, drivers license suspended for 2 years; Count 2: possession of controlled substance; probation revoked, adjudicated guilty, 1 year community control, followed by 3 years probation, concurrent with count 1, reimposed special conditions, driver license suspended for 2 years; Count 3: Drug possession marijuana under 20 grams; probation revoked, 76 days in the Holmes county Jail with credit for 76 days served, drivers license suspended for 2 years; count 4: Drug paraphernalia use or possession; probation revoked, 76 days in the Holmes county Jail with credit for 76 days served.

**Matthew Olin Bryan**, Aggravated battery on law enforcement officer; Possession of fire arm by convicted felon; flee or elude at high speed; Attorney present for defendant, order adjudging defendant competent to proceed and for the defendant to be remanded to the custody of the Holmes County Sheriffs Department entered by the court, case continued to March 19, 2014 Pre-trial, notice given to attorney  
Clayton Kyle

**Clemmons**, Defendant present with attorney for sentencing; Count 1; Armed robbery with firearm or deadly weapon; adjudicated guilty, 60 months Department of Corrections with credit for 42 days served, \$1435 fine, recommended housing in a medic facility defendant forfeits any seized items; Count 2; Resist arrest without violence; adjudicated guilty, 42 days in the Holmes County Jail with credit for 42 days served, concurrent with count 1

**Kevin Nelson Evans**, dealing in stolen property; Defendant present with attorney refered to PTI program, case continued to May 21, 2014 pretrial for tracking purposes

**Carol Ann Ezell**, Defendant present with attorney, withdrew previous denial, admitted violation, stipulated to a factual basis, court accepted plea and sentenced defendant as follows; Sale or delivery of controlled substance; Probation revoked, adjudicated guilty, 1 year community control followed by 2 years drug offender probation, \$500 fine, reimposed special conditions, complete in-patient drug treatment program

**Jeffery Michael Vince Greene**, Felon in possession of a firearm; improper exhibition of firearm; battery domestic violence; Defendant present with attorney, motion to reinstate bond heard, motion granted, surety bond with all previous conditions reinstated, case continued to May 21, 2014 Pretrial, notes to appear sent to defendant in jail

David Matthew Hewitt

**Jr.**, Present with attorney, withdrew previous denial, admitted violation, stipulated to a factual basis, court accepted plea and sentenced defendant as follows; Grand theft motor vehicle; Probation revoked, adjudicated guilty, 2 years community control followed by 2 years probation, \$500 fine, reimposed special conditions

**David Matthew Hewitt Jr.**, Defendant present with attorney, withdrew previous denial, admitted violation, stipulated to a factual basis, court accepted plea and sentenced defendant as follows; Count 1: Burglary of a structure: probation revoked, adjudicated guilty, 2 years community control followed by 2 years probation, concurrent with case 12-293CF, \$500 fine, reimposed special conditions; Count 2; Grand theft motor vehicle; Probation revoked, adjudicated guilty, 2 years community control followed by 2 years probation, concurrent with count 1 and case 12-293CF, reimposed special conditions

**David Matthew Hewitt Jr.**, Defendant present with attorney, withdrew previous denial, admitted to violation, stipulated to a factual basis, court accepted plea and sentenced defendant as follows; count 1; Burglary 3rd degree; probation revoked, adjudicated guilty, 2 years community control followed by 2 years probation, concurrent with cases 12-293CF and 12-294CF, \$500 fine, reimposed special conditions; Count 2; grand theft; probation revoked, adjudicated guilty, 2 years community control

followed by 2 years probation, concurrent with Count 1 and cases 12-293CF and 12-294CF, reimposed special conditions

**Edward Hutchins**, Defendant present with attorney, withdrew previous denial, admitted violation, stipulated to a factual basis, court accepted plea and sentenced defendant as follows; Count 1; Burglary of structure; community control revoked, adjudicated guilty, 1 year community control II followed by balance of supervision thru December 11, 2017, \$500 fine, reimposed special conditions, 100 additional hours community service (no monthly rate set until community control completed), \$1 per day for device; Count 2; Grand theft; community control revoked, adjudicated guilty, 1 year community control II followed by balance of supervision thru December 11, 2017, concurrent with count 1, reimposed special conditions, \$1 per day for device

**Clannie Davis Jennings, III**, Drug possession marijuana under 20 grams; Possession of controlled substance, drug paraphernalia use or possession; Defendant present with attorney, defendant stated he intends to hire a private attorney, court discharged public defender, evidentiary hearing continued to April 19, 2014, notice given

**Derrick Paul McCallister**, Burglary of dwelling; Grand theft; Criminal mischief 3rd degree felony; Defendant present with attorney,

probation unsuccessfully terminated by the court

**Charles Anthony Miller**, Defendant present with attorney, withdrew previous denial, admitted violation, stipulated to a factual basis (Except to felony new law violation in Bay County), court accepted plea and sentenced defendant as follows; Uttering forged instrument; community control revoked, adjudicated guilty, 30 months Department of Corrections with credit for 121 days served \$500 fine, recommended housing in faith based facility in Northern Florida

**Charlie James Radford, Jr.**, Defendant present with attorney for sentencing; Driving while license permanently revoked; Community control revoked, adjudicated guilty, 18 months Department of Correction with credit for time served, \$500 fine

**Joshua Todd Redding**, Grand theft; Defendant present with attorney, defendant stipulated to owing \$300 restitution, court ordered payment as condition of defendants probation

**Tridiny James Robinson**, Defendant present with attorney, withdrew previous denial, admitted violation, stipulated to a factual basis, court accepted plea and sentenced defendant as follows; Possession of controlled substance; Drug possession marijuana under 20 grams; Drug paraphernalia use or possession; Community control revoked, adjudicated guilty, 86 days in Holmes County Jail with credit for 86

days served, complete balance of supervision thru August 13, 2015, \$500 fine, reimposed special conditions

**Tridiny James Robinson**, Defendant present with attorney, withdrew previous plea of not guilty, pled no contest to ament the charge of disorderly conduct, stipulated to a factual basis, court accepted plea and sentenced defendant as follows; Disorderly Conduct Est only on first offence; adjudicated guilty, 60 days in the Holmes count jail with credit for 60 days served, concurrent with case 10-206CF, \$290 fine, \$100 public defender fee

**Danny Ray Stevens, Jr.**, Defendant present with attorney, withdrew previous denial, admitted violation, stipulated to a factual basis, court accepted plea and sentenced defendant as follows; Manufacture of controlled substance; Community control revoked, adjudicated guilty, 2 years community control, \$500 fine, reimposed special conditions, complete Keeton or other approved in-patient drug treatment program, defendant to report when bed is available

**David Karen Reid**, Promoting sexual performance by child; felony battery; Defendant present with attorney, court dismissed violation, defendant reinstated to supervision with judicial warning about forgetting GPS unit, court will not wave the requirement that defendant wear GPS device and will sign violation if defendant is away from monitor for any length of time



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# Hotel stay highlights Halifax All-Star Classic giveaways

By BRAD MILNER  
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**PANAMA CITY** — What does a two-night hotel stay, gift cards to area retailers, Miracle Strip tickets and a skateboard have in common? They're all up for grabs at the 10th annual Halifax All-Star Classic on April 5 at Gulf Coast State College.

This year's Panhandle senior basketball showcase features giveaways for the first time and the list already is impressive. A grand prize will be announced later this week.

Prizes tentatively are set to be given away during halftime of the boys and girls games and between each tipoff. The girls game begins at 11 a.m. and the boys follow at 1 p.m.

Spectators will be entered into the drawing by paying the admission price of \$5. Additional tickets may be purchased to increase chances to win. Winners must be present to retrieve their prize.

This year's event again offers free admission to youth and prep basketball teams accompanied by a coach on a pre-approved list sent to [sports@pcnh.com](mailto:sports@pcnh.com). Active duty and retired military also are admitted free. Only paid entrants will be included in the drawing, however, and anyone gaining free admission can be included in the drawings by paying the admission fee.

The current list of prizes is highlighted by a two-night stay at LaQuinta Inn and Suites in Panama



City Beach. The certificate is good until Feb. 28, 2015, for any day, excluding holidays and special events.

Gift cards range from local entertainment, sports apparel and area department stores. There will be four \$15 gift cards to the Nike Factory Store in Pier Park. The store also is providing players with discount certificates for a grab-bag, which also includes an event T-shirt, a full-sheet program page and more.

A \$75 gift card to Wal-Mart and a \$50 gift card to Target also will be in the drawing. That is in addition to 10 sets of 12 ride tickets, valued at \$40, to Miracle Strip Pier Park and a new skateboard provided by Surfside Pawn in Panama City Beach.

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- Gift cards to the Nike Factory Store, Wal-Mart and Target
- Miracle Strip Pier Park ride tickets
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- And a yet to be announced grand prize

ty, Domino's Pizza of Bay County and Amavida Coffee and Tea.

Anaconda Sports and Baden Sports are again supplying MVP game balls for the top performer chosen from each team. And Gulf Coast Regional Medical Center is the sports medicine provider for the event.

Apparel decorating specialist Shelley Harvey is this year's shirt supplier and has provided the more popular dri-fit moisture wicking material. T-shirts will be given to players and coaches and also will be on sale in the Billy Harrison Field House lobby during the games. Harvey will be on hand for screen printing for event shirts with a range of options and fees.

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# Bonifay Book Club reviews 'A Star for Mrs. Blake'

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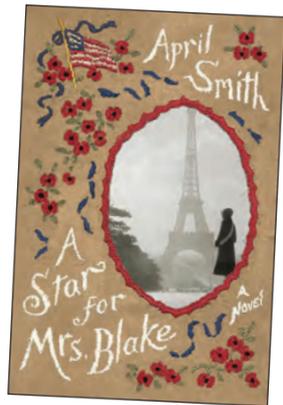
The Bonifay Book Club met at the home of Hazel Tison on March 11. Present were Brenda Alford, Joyce Brannon, Cynthia Brooks, Medea Callahan, Barbara Howell, Nancy Riley, DiAnn Shores, Dianne Smith and Tison.

The meeting was called to order by President Cynthia Brooks. Minutes from the previous meeting were read and adopted as read with one correction.

Nancy Riley reviewed the book "A Star for Mrs. Blake" by April Smith, published in 2014. This is an emotionally charged novel set in the 1930s about five Gold Star Mothers who travel to France to visit the graves of their World War I soldier sons. It is a pilgrimage that will change their lives in unforeseeable

ways. The women meet for the first time just before their journey begins: Katie, an Irish maid; Minnie, wife of an immigrant Russian Jewish chicken farmer; Bobbie, a wealthy Boston socialite; Wilhelmina, a former tennis star in and out of mental institutions; and Cora Blake, a single mother and librarian from coastal Maine.

They are escorted on their journey by an Army officer and a nurse to care for their physical and emotional needs. In Paris, Cora meets a journalist who is hiding



from his own wartime fate, facial wounds so grievous he's forced to wear a metal mask. Cora will share a secret with him. This man will change Cora's life in wholly unexpected ways. The women finally arrive at Argonne to visit the graves where their sons are buried. Shocking events happen. A death, a scandal and a secret revealed will guarantee Cora's life and those

of her traveling companions will become intertwined.

Delicious refreshments were served by Tison at the conclusion of the meeting.

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I'm told they use the hot steam to turn the turbines to make electricity, which in turn is how the Hot Water Canal gets its name. Usually when you see steam or smoke coming from the stacks at the plant you can depend on hot water coming out on the discharge side.

The last time I was up there I could see smoke coming from the stacks, but the water was not any warmer than the bay water. During our last freeze a few weeks ago mullet were seen stunned on the bottom due to the water temperature being so cold.

I have been up there in freezing weather and watched fly fishermen wading in the shallow parts of the canal just like it was the middle of June. Maybe when I got there they had stopped discharging warm water, but the trout didn't seem to notice they were packed in there from end to end.

It is possible at times to catch trout on just about anything you throw at them. When the water is clear it is possible to sight fish trout using grubs or live shrimp. The average depth is about three feet of water. But if you want to catch really big trout you just about have to have finger mullet and this is where the rub comes in.

I know of nowhere a fisherman can buy finger mullet because they are so hard to keep alive. That means you have to cast net your own. In the summer, finger mullet are a dime a dozen in shallow water. Not so in freezing weather.

If you can figure out where to catch finger mullet fish them with just a hook and no lead. You will catch the trout of a lifetime, but remember you can only take home a picture. The fish has to go back to the water unharmed.

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# FEELING SHEEPIISH

## Tips for landing a tasty sheephead

Sheepshead look like an oversized saltwater bluegill in a convict suit, and as such, they ought to be very easy to catch. To be sure, they are abundant panfish of the saltwater kind, but catching them can at times be a challenge. However, if you're interested in eating bottom fish — and who isn't — they are becoming one of the few games in town, so tightly are the feds limiting our take of grouper and most snappers. And they're one of the more active species in Panhandle waters from now through March.

The limit on sheepshead still allows you to take them home by the flock; the rule is 15 daily over 12 inches, which means if you have two or three anglers aboard and happen into a swarm of hungry 'heads, you can actually fill the cooler, a rarity with any species these days.

You won't be taking home any 20-pounders, as you might with gags or red snapper, to be sure, (the all-tackle sheepshead record is 21 pounds, 4 ounces, the Florida record 15-2) but a stack of 1- to 3-pounders is likely, and if you fish offshore rockpiles during the February/April spawn, you might add some fish of 5 to 8 pounds to the box. (There are no federal regulations on the species, but you must comply with state limits when you return to shore.)

Sheepshead are not wimps; they're remarkably powerful critters for their size. A five-pounder caught on the flats is a match for a redfish of similar size — though it's rare to catch 'em on the flats because they are so much more wary than redfish (see below). And when you hook up with a heavy one around a piling, he's just as quick to wrap up and cut you off as any snook.

First, a quick scoop of biology; *Archosargus probatocephalus* is a member of the porgie family, thus his shape. Sheepshead are named for their teeth, which do look somewhat sheeplike, and enable them to crunch up the shellfish and crabs which are their primary diet. Inside the mouth are hard, bony nodules which complete the crushing operation; they can grind up anything from oysters

to mussels to barnacles — if you've ever tried to scrape barnacles off a boat bottom, you have to truly admire the power in the sheepshead jaws, because they nip them off like carrots.

Catching sheepshead is a learned art. It looks as if it should be very simple; toss a piece of fresh-cut shrimp in front of them and they eat it, most of the time. But that parsimonious mouth is very stingy when it comes to ingesting hooks; often they nip off the bait and leave Mr. Mustad hanging naked.

First, it's essential to use a hook small enough to fit the relatively small mouth of the fish; size 1 or 1/0 is the ticket to admission. Actually smaller hooks work even better, but the teeth are so strong that the fish can occasionally bite right through the light wire of smaller hardware. (They also can bite through mono or fluoro leader and line, and there's not much you can do about that if the hook goes in far enough for them to chomp on either. Adding wire leader is not an option — they will rarely eat even the tastiest bait suspended on wire.)

You usually need a sinker of some sort because 'heads are most often found in holes, channels and cuts, usually around rocks, concrete or other hard structure where shellfish can fix and grow and where small crabs live. Boat docks and bridge pilings also attract them. One good way to rig is to put the hook on a dropper made of 20-pound test hard mono or fluoro (both have more resistance to teeth than standard mono) and then hang the sinker on the bitter end of the line about 18 inches below.

With this rig, you can immediately feel it when a fish starts nibbling on the bait; if the sinker is above the hook, as in a standard rig, the fish has to bite hard enough to move the sinker before you feel anything—and by that time the bait might be long gone. Using braided line helps a lot — the no-stretch fiber transmits the feel of the nibbles much better than mono.

Another good rig is a 1/8 to 1/4 ounce jig head with an oversized hook, size 1/0 or so, on which a piece of fresh cut shrimp, about thumbnail-sized, is impaled. With the jig, you feel the bite immediately, and it casts more easily than a separate sinker/dropper rig.

While fresh shrimp is by far the easiest bait to come by, sheepshead also readily take an assortment of other natural baits; oysters, fiddler crabs, sand fleas and tubeworms are all high on the list of sheepshead aficionados.

Whatever the bait, the trick is to hold light tension on the line when you feel that first bump. If you can sense weight there as you take up the slack, go ahead and set the hook; you miss some,



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Light spinning gear does the job on most sheepshead, and braided line makes it easier to feel the light bites and set the hook.

but you hook most once you develop the touch.

You often can visually locate sheepshead in clear water; they tend to hang near the surface, and you can spot them as they turn and flash. But even if you don't see them, you often can stir fish up by chumming around crusty pilings and riprap; use a hoe or spud to scrape the barnacles. As this stuff showers down, sheepshead will smell it and move in from considerable distance.

Larger 'heads congregate on rockpiles and ledges in 8 to 30 feet of water to spawn from February into early April: many nearshore reefs also hold them at this time. There also is a limited flats fishery for small sheepshead in Panhandle bays in early spring, anywhere you might see redfish tailing. On the lowest tides, it's not uncommon to see them up in the shallows waving that gray tail as they root out an oyster or a shrimp. However, a sheepshead seen in this way is not a sheepshead caught; they are paranoid on a level that makes bonefish seem like carp. If you land an artificial lure anywhere in the same zip code, they will instantly vaporize. The only tactic that has ever worked for me is to cast a whole shrimp, unweighted, on a light spinning rig uptide from the fish and let it sit there. Sometimes the fish smells it, swims up and eats it — when that happens, you have achieved one of the

pinnacles of flats angling. They put up a nice battle in the shallows, too, with some fast, powerful runs.

Oddly, these same fish might travel to nearby potholes when the spirit moves them, and then they become dumb as catfish; most of the large winter catches are made by finding these backcountry holes. They also settle into rocky holes in many coastal rivers during cold weather.

Sheepshead are in the same gang as the pinfish, which explains something about their physiography — they are armed with some of the sharpest, longest spines in fishdom — sort of the uberpinfish, if you will — and the armament sprouts in all directions, from the back, the chest and the nether regions; there is hardly a safe way to pick up a sheepshead except with tongs.

But pick up a sheepshead you must, because that's what it takes to extract those wonderful white fillets. As you might expect of a creature that eats only shellfish, the taste of sheepshead completely belies the barnyardian name; it is among the finest of all fishes, right up there with hog snapper — another critter with a nasty name and a wonderful taste, come to think of it.

After years of being wounded by 'heads, I finally came to the conclusion that the only reasonable way to deal with them was to disarm

them. These days, when I catch one it goes on ice immediately to "put it to sleep," as we like to tell the grandkids, and then out come the poultry shears. I systematically nip off every pointed spine on every fish — if you leave even one, I can assure you it will find a way to bury itself in your finger.

Once the spines are gone, sheepshead fillet pretty much like other fish, but they do have a thicker hide and tougher scales — run the point of a sharp fillet knife up each side of the backbone to make a channel before you start the filleting cut and it will go more smoothly. You have to cut around the base of the dorsal spines, too; they extend well into the meat. Now strip off the skin and you're ready to cook. On small fish, trim off the rib cage because it doesn't have much meat; on larger ones, you might find it better to leave the rib meat in place and deal with the bones once the fish is cooked.

Sheepshead are delicious any way you care to cook them. One of my fishing friends likes to cube the meat, boil it briefly in crab boil spices like Zataran's, and then dip in melted butter and lemon juice— tasty as lobster, and more tender. Of course, you can't beat breeding and deep frying, and simply putting them in a fish basket, adding a little nonstick oil and plopping them on a hot grill is also a great way to go.

# Smoking cessation class scheduled

Special to the Times-Advertiser

Big Bend AHEC along with the Florida Department of Health in Holmes County will be offering a free smoking cessation class from 4 – 6 p.m. Monday, April 28.

Class will be held at the Holmes County Health Department, located at 603 Scenic Circle in Bonifay. Free nicotine replacement patches, gum and lozenges are available.

Class covers all forms of tobacco.

For more information, please contact Leann Jones at (850) 547-8500, ext. 240 or email [ljewis@bigbendahec.org](mailto:ljewis@bigbendahec.org).

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SPECIAL TO THE TIMES-ADVERTISER

From left: Shirley Owens, Debbie Kolmetz, Sid Johnson, Representative Marti Coley, Eddie Dixon, Jason Mötley, Jim Goodman

# Holmes County well represented in Tallahassee

Special to the Times-Advertiser

Members of the Holmes County School board along with superintendent of schools Eddie Dixon and Jim Goodman attended the Florida School Board Association 27th Annual Day in the legislature on March 19-20 in Tallahassee. Legislative and educational leaders provided updates on the 2014 legislative session.

A big issue for Holmes county is the funding for the Special Facilities construction account program.

This funding is a critical tool in providing quality education for small counties. There are seven projects recommended by the special Facilities committee to be funded this year. Holmes County is one of the seven projects in the Governors Budget.

This funding would allow

the construction of a new K-8 facility in Bonifay.

The House and Senate budget should be released next week. Another big funding for Holmes county is the sparsity supplement.

This supplement is the most important FEFP provision regarding targeted funding for small counties.

Along with attending committee meetings and a Senate

session, The Holmes County group also met with Senator Don Gaetz, Representative Matt Gaetz, Senator Bill Montford, Representative Marti Coley and Dr Kim McDougal from the governors office.

Also Shirley Owens ,school board liaison for small district council cortsortium ,and Sid Johnson attended the SDCC briefing on Wednesday March 19 th at the city Hall.

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**1) From a "Seinfeld" episode, on what TV show did Jerry agree to wear the "puffy shirt"?**  
Oprah, Tonight, Today, 60 Minutes

**2) What's all of these: a chess piece, a card game, and a member of the crow family?**  
Pawn, Rook, Bishop, Knight

**3) A typical bed usually houses over how many dust mites?**  
Hundred thousand, Half million, 3 million, 6 billion

**4) When was the peace symbol created as a nuclear disarmament symbol?**  
1945, 1950, 1958, 1968

**5) Of these, which does not border the state of California?**  
Nevada, Arizona, Oregon, Washington

**6) What's the largest city in Scotland?**  
Glasgow, Aberdeen, Edinburgh, Dundee

**7) When did the Daytona 500 become the season opener for NASCAR?**  
1962, 1972, 1982, 1992

**8) Which state's license plates include it's "The Natural State"?**  
Arkansas, Delaware, New Hampshire, Arizona

**9) What city is the European headquarters of the United Nations?**  
London, Rome, Geneva, Madrid

**10) What was the last name of Arnold, the pig on older TV's "Green Acres"?**  
Douglas, Ziffel, Haney, Kimball

**11) Where in Russia is the world's largest art gallery?**  
Moscow, St. Petersburg, Kazan, Perm

**12) Which margarine has utilized the slogan, "It's not nice to fool Mother Nature"?**  
Chiffon, Parkay, Country Crock, Imperial

**13) Though shot and killed in 1928, what was the notoriety of Arnold Rothstein?**  
Politician, Gambler, Writer, Pilot

**14) What was the highest single reward ever offered for the capture of Billy the Kid?**  
\$500, \$1,000, \$5,000, \$8,500

### ANSWERS

1) Today. 2) Rook. 3) 6 billion. 4) 1958. 5) Washington. 6) Glasgow. 7) 1982. 8) Arkansas. 9) Geneva. 10) Ziffel. 11) St. Petersburg. 12) Chiffon. 13) Gambler. 14) \$500.



PHOTOS BY CECILIA SPEARS | Extra

Whether it be as a group, duo, solo, back-up, the Holmes County High School Chorus did it all as they performed "Decades of Music" recently to a crowded house.

HCHS presents

# 'Decades of Music'

By RICKY WARD  
Special to Extra

**BONIFAY** — The Holmes County High School Chorus presented "Decades of Music" to a packed house March 13-15 at the HCHS Auditorium.

Everyone enjoyed an evening of music, dance, lights and live band as the group performed many old songs like "Rock-n-Roll is Here to Stay," "Lean On Me," "Faithfully," "We Are the World," songs from the Broadway hit "Les Miserables" and much more, while several students sang solos throughout the evening.

On March 14 and 15, there was a special pre-show beginning at 6 p.m., as Mike Booth performed a salute to Elvis.

The high-energy show also included a live band with more than a dozen from the HCHS Chorus singing back up and many favorite Elvis songs such as "Burning Love," "American Trilogy," "Hound Dog" and "Can't Help Falling In Love."

"We are proud to be an active member of the community," Director Ricky Ward said. "We are currently working on something we've never done before and view it as a welcomed challenge, which will be the production (the Broadway musical) "Cats." The students are working really hard, and even though they are excellent at singing and dancing, their current challenge is costume design."

Opening night for "Cats" will Thursday, May 8.

Check back with the Holmes County Times Advertiser for more details on this show as they become available.



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## Wedding



### Gainer and Betts wed

The families of Phillip Wayne Gainer Jr. and Elizabeth Marie Betts announce their recent wedding, held Saturday, March 22, in Cleveland, Tenn. They would like to invite all family and friends to a reception celebrating their union, to be announced at a later date. The reception will be at Orange Hill Baptist Church, 3485 Gainer Road in Chipley. For more information, email wayneandelizabeth322@gmail.com.



## Congratulations



### Laurie graduates Basic Training

Tiffany Laurie graduated from Air Force Basic Training on Feb. 14. AMN Laurie was an honor graduate, being in the top 10 percent. Laurie is a 2013 High Honors Graduate of Chipley High School. Laurie is currently attending Tech School at Keesler Air Force Base. Laurie's grandparents are Mike and Betty Laurie of Chipley.

### PDL fundraiser

**WESTVILLE** — Ponce de Leon High School's FCCLA Chapter will have a fundraiser from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. April 5 at the Pine Log Community Volunteer Fire and Rescue. There will be a yard sale and hamburger and hot dog plates for \$5. The FCCLA is raising money for travel expenses to their national convention in San Antonio.

### Kindergarten registration

**WASHINGTON COUNTY** — Kate M. Smith and Vernon elementary schools will begin kindergarten registration April 8 for the 2014-2015 school year. Stop by the school office to pick up a registration packet. All requirements for registration will be attached to the packet. All forms and proper documentation must be complete for child to be registered. Children must be 5 years of age on or before Sept. 1, 2014.

### Friday Fish Fries during Lent

**BONIFAY** — The Knights of Columbus, Child of Prague Council 10513, will have a fish fry from 4-7 p.m. Friday during Lent (through April 11) at Blessed Trinity Catholic Church. Plates are \$10 and include "all the fish you can eat," as well as sides, sweet tea and a dessert. Carry-outs are available. The church is at 2331 Highway 177A.

### Golden Dragon Acrobats at Chipola

**MARIANNA** — The Chipola College Artist Series will host the Golden Dragon Acrobats at 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 1, in the Center for the Arts. The Golden Dragons are recognized throughout the U.S. and abroad as the premiere Chinese acrobatic touring group representing a time-honored tradition that began more than 25 centuries ago. These artists will amaze with their breathtaking skill and spellbinding beauty.

Tickets are \$14 for adults, \$10 for children under 18, with special pricing for Chipola students and employees. Online tickets are available at www.chipola.edu. Tickets may be printed at home, or with an order confirmation, will-call tickets will be available at the box office the night of the show. Tickets also are available at the Center for the Arts Box Office from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 9 a.m. to noon Friday. The box office is also open one hour before the event. For information, call 718-2277 or visit www.chipola.edu/fine-and-performing-arts.

### Retherford Reunion

The annual Retherford Reunion will be April 5 at Curry Boat Landing and Baseball Field. All family and friends are invited to celebrate with fun, fellowship and a covered dish lunch. For more information, call Sharon Johnson at 956-2772.

### Orange and Blue Golf Classic

**VERNON** — Vernon Middle School will have the Orange and Blue Golf Classic to benefit girls and boys athletic programs on Saturday, April 5, at the Sunny Hills Golf Club. A fee of \$65 per person or \$260 per four-man/woman team includes green fees, cart rental, breakfast, lunch and prizes. Tournament format is a Captains' Choice Scramble. There will be an 8 a.m., shotgun start. Individual registrations are welcome; you will be assigned to a

## Community EVENTS

team. Hole sponsorships are \$50 per sign. For questions and registration, call Laurie Simmons at 258-4332 or VMS at 535-2808.

### Breakfast 'Cooked to Order'

**DEFUNIAK SPRINGS** — Breakfast "Cooked to Order" will be available April 5 and May 3 in the Parish Hall at St. Agatha's Episcopal Church, 150 Circle Drive. Menu selections include pancakes, eggs, grits or home fries, sausage or bacon, sausage gravy on toast or biscuit, juice, milk and coffee. Breakfast will be offered from 7-11 a.m., along with service with a smile. Healthy choice selections will also be offered. Cost for the breakfast is \$5.50 for adults and \$3.50 for children under 10. Take-outs are available. Proceeds benefit the church, which has a "Hospitality and Food Ministry" as a part of its outreach efforts. The historic church will also be open for tours.

### Byrd benefit

**WESTVILLE** — Westville City Hall will serve fish, smoked pork and chicken plates with two sides starting at 10 a.m. April 5. Plates will cost \$6, and all proceeds will go to Zan Braxton Byrd to help pay medical expenses.

### HCHS luncheon

**CHIPLEY** — Holmes County High School will have a luncheon at 11 a.m. April 8 at Baileys Surf and Turf. For more information, call 547-3526.

### Jazz Concert and Spaghetti Dinner

**BONIFAY** — The Blue Pride Band Jazz Concert and Spaghetti Dinner will be at 6 p.m. April 11 at Holmes County High School. Tickets are \$6 in advance, \$8 at the door. For more information, call Connie at 209-0531.

### Benefit dinner

**BONIFAY** — Campground Cemetery will have a benefit dinner at 11 a.m. April 12. There will be fish and chicken plates with all the trimmings for \$6. There will also be a cake auction. All candidates are welcome.

### Ribs for Relay

**CHIPLEY** — Community South Credit Union will have Rib Sale on April 17. One rack will cost \$20. Ribs can be picked up from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Community South Credit Union in Chipley. Delivery is available for several orders. To order, email rebecca.harris@communitysouth.net.

### BMS selling Vidalia onions

**BONIFAY** — Bonifay Middle School is selling Vidalia onions through April 11. Each 10-pound bag costs \$10 and must be paid for on or before April 11. A portion of the money raised will go directly to each grade level for the purchasing of new equipment/supplies and to help with some of the costs of student field trips. To make a purchase, see a Bonifay Middle School student or call JaLisa Brannon at 547-2678.

### CHS students to perform 'Grease'

**CHIPLEY** — Chipley High School music theater students will perform their spring musical, "Grease," at 7 p.m. April 10-12. For more

information, call 638-6100.

### Two Toed Tom Festival

**ESTO** — The Two Toed Tom Festival will be 8-11 a.m. April 12 at John W. Clark Park. To be a vendor, call Darlene Madden at 263-3201.

### Flea Across Florida

Flea Across Florida, a 383-mile yard sale, will be April 11-12 along U.S. 90 from Jacksonville to Pensacola.

### Community Easter Egg Hunt

**CHIPLEY** — The annual Community Easter Egg Hunt will be 5:30-7 p.m. April 16 at Shivers Park. Call Anne Chenault at 638-1830 or Sherri Biddle at 638-7348 if you would like to participate.

### Earth Day

**MARIANNA** — Bring the family and enjoy the annual Earth Day Event from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. April 22 at Florida Caverns State Park. There will be many displays, exhibits, walks and programs highlighting the unique plants and animals of the park.

### VMS 5K Run/Walk

**VERNON** — Vernon Middle School will host the Put a Little Spring in Your Step 5K Run/Walk, on April 26 at VMS. Registration is \$20 per person if you pre-register and \$25 per person on the day of the race. To be guaranteed a shirt, you must be registered by April 16. Registration will be 7-7:45 a.m. with the race starting at 8 a.m. For more information, call VMS at 535-2807.

### Miss Holmes County

**BONIFAY** — Little Miss and Miss Holmes County will be April 26 at the National Guard Armory. This pageant is a Peanut Festival preliminary. Registration is 5:30-7 p.m. Friday, March 28, and Friday, April 4, at Pho Noodle and Kaboodle. Please use the side door.

Age divisions for the pageant will be Baby Miss, 0-11 months; Toddler Miss, 12-23 months; Tiny Miss, 2-3 years; Future Little Miss, 4-6 years, not in the first grade; Little Miss, first grade only; Petite Miss, second-, third- and fourth-graders; Young Miss, fifth- and sixth-graders; Teen Miss, seventh- and eighth-graders; Junior Miss, ninth-, 10th- and 11th-graders not yet 17 years of age; Miss, 17 to 20 years; and Ms., single, married and not wanting to compete in the National Peanut Festival Pageant.

Future Little, Little, Junior and Miss contestants must reside in or attend a school in Holmes County. Little and Miss categories must have three contestants in the age division to attend the National Peanut Festival Pageant. Attire for Future and Little Miss is heirloom dresses only. Optional awards include, prettiest hair, prettiest eyes, best dressed and photogenic. All contestants will receive a crown; no one goes home empty-handed.

Entry forms will be available at registration. For more information, call Amanda at 547-5435.

### Chipola retirement reception

**MARIANNA** — The public is invited to celebrate the retirement of Chipola College President Dr. Gene See **EVENTS B3**

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## MU ALPHA THETA INDUCTS NEW MEMBERS



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The Chipola College chapter of Mu Alpha Theta, a national honorary mathematics club, recently had an initiation for new members. Pictured are officers, new members and sponsors. Front row from left are new members Christina Watson, Christina Fulford, Emily Fuqua, Christen Howell, Amy Christmas. Back row from left are Hayley Johns, Allen Campbell, Dr. Lou Cleveland, Wesley Chevillot, Jae Jung Hyun, Annie Braxton, sponsor Joy Ree Ashmore, Ashley Rogers and Dr. David Hilton.

## New health plans bring hefty fees for certain drugs

**MIAMI (AP)** — Breast cancer survivor Ginny Mason was thrilled to get health coverage under the Affordable Care Act despite her pre-existing condition. But when she realized her arthritis medication fell under a particularly costly tier of her plan, she was forced to switch to another brand.

Under the plan, her Celebrex would have cost \$648 a month until she met her \$1,500 prescription deductible, followed by an \$85 monthly co-pay.

Mason is one of the many Americans with serious illnesses — including cancer, multiple sclerosis and rheumatoid arthritis — who are indeed finding relatively low monthly premiums under President Barack Obama's law. But some have been shocked at how much their prescriptions are costing as insurers are sorting drug prices into a complex tier system and in some cases charging co-insurance rates as high as 50 percent. That can leave patients on the hook for thousands.

"I was grateful for the Affordable Care Act because it didn't turn me down but ... it's like where's the affordable on this one?" said Mason, a 61-year-old from West Lafayette, Ind., who currently pays an \$800 monthly premium.

Before the federal health law took effect, Mason paid slightly more for her monthly premium on a plan that didn't cover her arthritis or pain medications and some routine doctor's visits.

Avalere Health, a market research and consulting firm, estimates some consumers will pay half the cost of their specialty drugs under health overhaul-related plans, while customers in the private market typically pay no more than a third. Patient advocates worry that insurers may be trying to discourage chronically ill patients from enrolling by putting high

cost drugs onto specialty tiers.

Brian Rosen, senior vice president for public policy for The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, said the group studied premiums and benefits for patients with blood cancer in seven states, including Florida, California, Texas and New York. They found 50 percent co-insurance rates for specialty drugs on several plans in Florida and Texas, while the highest co-insurance rates on California plans were 30 percent. New York co-pays were typically \$70.

Under the law, insurers can't charge an individual more than \$6,350 in out-of-pocket costs a year and no more than \$12,700 for a family policy. But patient advocates warn those with serious illnesses could pay their entire out-of-pocket cap before their insurance kicks in any money.

"The challenge is for the sickest patients, the ones that need access to these specialty drugs, the costs are going to come in most cases from that out-of-pocket cap ... they are likely to hit that \$6,350 ceiling and in some cases quickly," Rosen said.

### Specialty drugs

Only 1 percent of prescriptions written in 2012 were for specialty drugs, but they accounted for 25 percent of the total cost of prescription drugs, according to a study by America's Health Insurance Plans.

Insurers generally can choose to put whichever drugs they want into the specialty tier of a plan. Generic drugs for blood pressure or cholesterol typically fall into categories that require patients to pay less than \$20 out of pocket. But patients can end up spending significantly more when they pay for a percentage of a specialty drug's cost. Two of the most frequently prescribed specialty drugs in recent years include the cancer

drug Avastin, with an \$11,000 average annual price per patient, and the hypertension drug Letairis, which costs \$32,000 per year, according to health insurers.

Even before the Affordable Care Act took effect, insurers had increasingly begun requiring patients to pay a percentage of the drug costs instead of a flat co-pay, but experts say patients often spend more for their prescriptions in plans offered under the health law because of the co-insurance.

"There's a significant percentage of plans who are using co-insurance of 50 percent or higher," said Caroline Pearson, who tracks the health care overhaul for Avalere Health, which studied plans in 19 states. "It is generally a lot higher than what we see in private insurance."

Once they pay more than several hundred dollars, Pearson says patients start to abandon their medications.

William Hurd signed up for a Cigna plan with a \$616 monthly premium that covered him and his wife in December. The government kicks in about \$900 a month in tax credits. Hurd, a 61-year-old diabetic who works a construction job in Orlando, was eager to fill his insulin prescription along with two other medications. But he was shocked when the pharmacy said he would have to pay \$1,400 out of pocket for a 90-day supply. He was under the impression that prescriptions were part of the plan and thought he only had a \$10 co-pay for prescriptions.

"I already had the plan. I was in, and I was ready to cancel it. If I've got to pay 1,000 more dollars for drugs ... then it's not worth it," he said.

Fortunately, Hurd called his doctor and was able to switch to a cheaper brand of insulin and ended up paying only \$112.

"This was an extremely expensive misunderstanding," said his insurance broker Leslie Glogau.

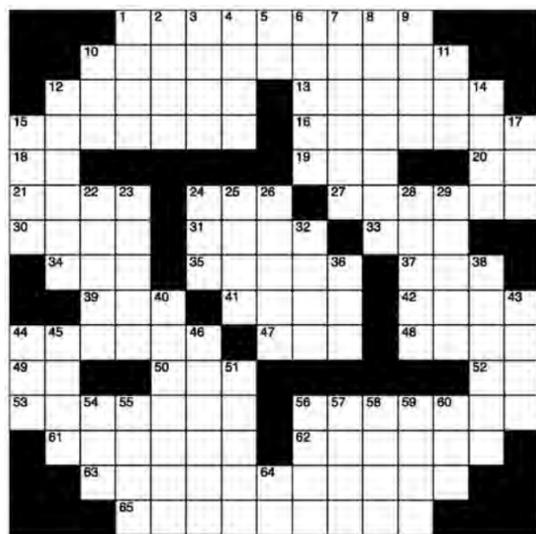
## EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH



SPECIAL TO EXTRA

Annie O'Pry, center, is Chipola College's Career Employee of the Month for March. O'Pry serves as senior office assistant in the financial aid department and has worked at the college since 1981. Above, O'Pry is congratulated by Director of Financial Aid Sybil Cloud, left, and Chipola President Dr. Gene Prough.

## Crossword PUZZLE



### CLUES ACROSS

- Recapture the past
- "Tosh.0" and "South Park" are two
- Military greeting
- Passenger ships
- Can't move
- Any omission of a part
- 43rd state
- Compassionate nursing care
- Pa.'s partner
- Dutch cheese
- London radio station
- Perfumed powder bag
- Liquid body substances
- Expresses pleasure
- Escape from prison
- Long-wave hue
- Bleated
- Male swan
- Head cover
- Fewer calories
- Teal duck genus
- Inspire with love
- Grab
- Cruel inhuman person
- 6th musical tone
- Indigenous tribe of Indonesia
- Megabyte
- Headpin in bowling
- Light, fitful naps
- Precede
- Greek and Turkish Sea
- Pot 'o gold location
- Was in disagreement

### CLUES DOWN

- A player's part
- Ratites
- Distribute
- 15th day of March
- Empire State
- Small island
- Con or swindle accomplices
- Oasts kiln shape
- Female sheep
- Motor vehicle
- \_\_\_ Lanka
- More melancholy
- Not all
- Apple, pumpkin or a la mode
- \_\_\_ King Cole, musician
- Palms with egg shaped nuts
- Mistress of a household
- Founder of Babism
- Semitic fertility god
- Connected links
- Chocolate tree
- Miao-Yao is their language
- Moss capsule stalk
- Young society woman
- Bartenders
- Buried port city
- One point S of SE
- Cervid
- Inexperienced (var.)
- Handles authority over
- Neither
- Alumnus
- Sunrise
- Cease exertion
- Double curve
- Maneuver
- Not happy
- Old English

SOLUTION ON PAGE B5

## EVENTS from page B2

Prough and Joyce Traynom, his administrative assistant, at a drop-in reception from 3-5 p.m. Monday, March 31, in the lobby of the Chipola Center for the Arts. No gifts, please.

### HCHS spring musical planned

**BONIFAY** — The Holmes County High School Drama Department will present the musical "Cats" at 7 p.m. May 8-10, 12 and 15 in the HCHS Auditorium.

### A Very Disney Variety

**BONIFAY** — The Bonifay Middle School Theatre Department's spring

show, "A Very Disney Variety," will be at 6 p.m. May 22-23 in the HCHS auditorium. Tickets will be available at BMS two weeks before to the show and are \$5 for adults, \$3 for school-aged students and free for kids 4 and under. Admission at the door also will be available.

Reminiscent of such variety shows as "Carol Burnett and Friends," "Saturday Night Live!" and "So Random," the performance will feature original scenes based on memorable Disney characters. In addition, the BMS Treble Makers will be on hand to provide musical entertainment for the evening with favorite Disney tunes. With the Mad

Hatter (Bryce Etheridge) hosting the show and the White Rabbit (Sydney Shugars) keeping things in order backstage, the evening is sure to be full of mayhem, magic and memories.

For more information, contact Jill Cook at 547-2754 or cookj@hdsb.org.

### Relay For Life Wrap-Up Party

**CHIPLEY** — Relay For Life of Holmes/Washington County will have its 2014 Wrap-Up Party at 6 p.m. June 2 at Pattillo's restaurant, on the campus of the Washington-Holmes Technical Center. For more information, call Connie Smelcer at 703-9977.

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## Faith EVENTS

### Red Hill UMC Mission Supper

**BONIFAY** — Red Hill United Methodist Church Fourth Friday Mission Supper, Friday, March 28, at Red Hill United Methodist Church. The Menu will be Catfish Fillets, Smoked Chicken, Cheese Grits, Baked Beans, Coleslaw, Hushpuppies and Dessert. We begin serving at 5 p.m. Dine In or Carry Out. Donations are accepted. We are a small church having a great time in the Lord. Come and enjoy a good meal and great fellowship.

### Gospel Sing

First Free Will Baptist Church of Bonifay will hold a Gospel Sing at 6 p.m., Saturday, March 29. The sing will feature the Four Seasons. Refreshments will follow the sing. The church is located at the corner of Oklahoma and Kansas.

### Fifth Saturday Sing

**GRACEVILLE** — East Mt. Zion United Methodist Church will host Fifth Saturday Sing at 6:30 p.m., Saturday, March 29. The church is located at 1590 County Highway 173, Graceville. For more information call 263-4610.

### The Tipton Singers

**CARYVILLE** — The Caryville Evangelistic Center Church will host The Tipton Singers, at 6 p.m., Sunday, March 30. The church is located on Wrights Creek Road. For more information call 547-3069.

### Union Hill Baptist Church Homecoming

**BETHLEHEM** — The Union Hill Baptist Church will celebrate their 110th Homecoming, Sunday, April 6. "FOUR CALVARY," a local Southern Gospel quartet, will be in concert at 10 a.m., and then again during the 11 a.m., worship service. Immediately following the morning worship service, there will be a fellowship meal.

The 11 a.m., Homecoming speaker will be the Rev. Robb Goodman. Robb has been the Senior Pastor of the Summerville Baptist Church in Phoenix City, Ala., since 2005.

## Community CALENDAR

### WEDNESDAY

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

**10 a.m. to 2 p.m.:** The Vernon Historical Society Museum is open to the public from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Meetings are fourth Wednesdays at 2 p.m.

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

**1 p.m.:** Line dancing, Washington Council on Aging in Chipley.

**7 p.m.:** Depression and Bipolar Support Group meets at First Baptist Church educational annex building in Bonifay. Call 547-4397.

### THURSDAY

**7:30 a.m.:** Washington County Chamber of Commerce breakfast every third Thursday

**9 a.m. - 11 a.m.:** Amazing Grace Church USDA Food Distribution every third Thursday (Holmes County Residents Only)

**9 a.m. - 3 p.m.:** Money Sense at Goodwill Career Training Center; call 638-0093; every third Thursday

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

**10:30 a.m.:** Chipley Library preschool story time.

**11 a.m.:** Washington Council on Aging (Chipley) senior lunches; for reservations, call

638-6217. Donations accepted.

**11 a.m.:** Care Givers Support group meets third Thursdays at the First Presbyterian Church at 4437 Clinton St. in Marianna.

**Noon:** Alcoholics Anonymous open meeting at New Life Assembly Fellowship Hall, Chipley

**1 p.m.:** Caregivers Meeting at Washington County Council on Aging in Chipley for more information call 638-6216

**2 p.m.:** Writers Group meets the first Thursday of each month (unless a holiday) at the Chipley Library

**4 p.m.:** Holmes County Historical Society 2nd Thursday of each month.

**6 p.m.:** TOPS meets at 7 p.m. with weigh in at 6 p.m. at Mt. Olive Baptist Church

**6 p.m.:** The Holmes County Historical Society meets first Thursdays at 6 p.m. The public is invited to attend.

**6 p.m.:** Washington County Council on Aging Line Dancing Class for more information call 638-6216

**6:30 p.m.:** T.O.P.S. Mt. Olive Baptist Church on State Road 79 North.

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

### FRIDAY

**6 a.m.:** Men's Breakfast and Bible Study at

Hickory Hill Baptist Church in Westville.

**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.

**11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.:** On third Fridays, Washington County Council on Aging (Chipley) will have a plate lunch available to anyone as a fundraiser for our local senior citizens. Plates are \$6. Must make reservation at 638-6216 or 638-6217.

**3:30:** Bead Class every second Friday at Laurden-Davis Art Gallery call 703-0347

**5 p.m.:** Red Hill Methodist Church Mission Supper 4th Friday of every month January - September.

**6-8 p.m.:** Washington County Council on Aging 50+ dance club for more information call 638-6216

**6-8 p.m.:** Marianna's Gathering Place Foundation has a get-together for 50+ senior singles, widowed or divorced on last Fridays at Methodist Youth Center in Marianna. Come join the fun for games, prizes and snacks. For more information, call 526-4561.

**8 p.m.:** Alcoholics Anonymous open meeting at Chipley Presbyterian Church.

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2:1-6	2:7-10	2:11-14	2:15-19	2:20-23	3:1-13	3:14-18

This chipmunk seems to be oblivious of the danger in front of him and interested only in the food. This cute illustration holds an important message for Christians. At times we may become blinded to the danger that surrounds our situation in our efforts to reach a prize. We can assume that we are all more intelligent than this cute little chipmunk and although temptations may occasionally be overwhelming, God has given us the strength to endure. Looking past the immediate and seeing the long term effects will help us make the healthy and moral decision. God has a wonderful journey for our lives, but to receive His blessings we must hold tightly to His hand and follow His path.

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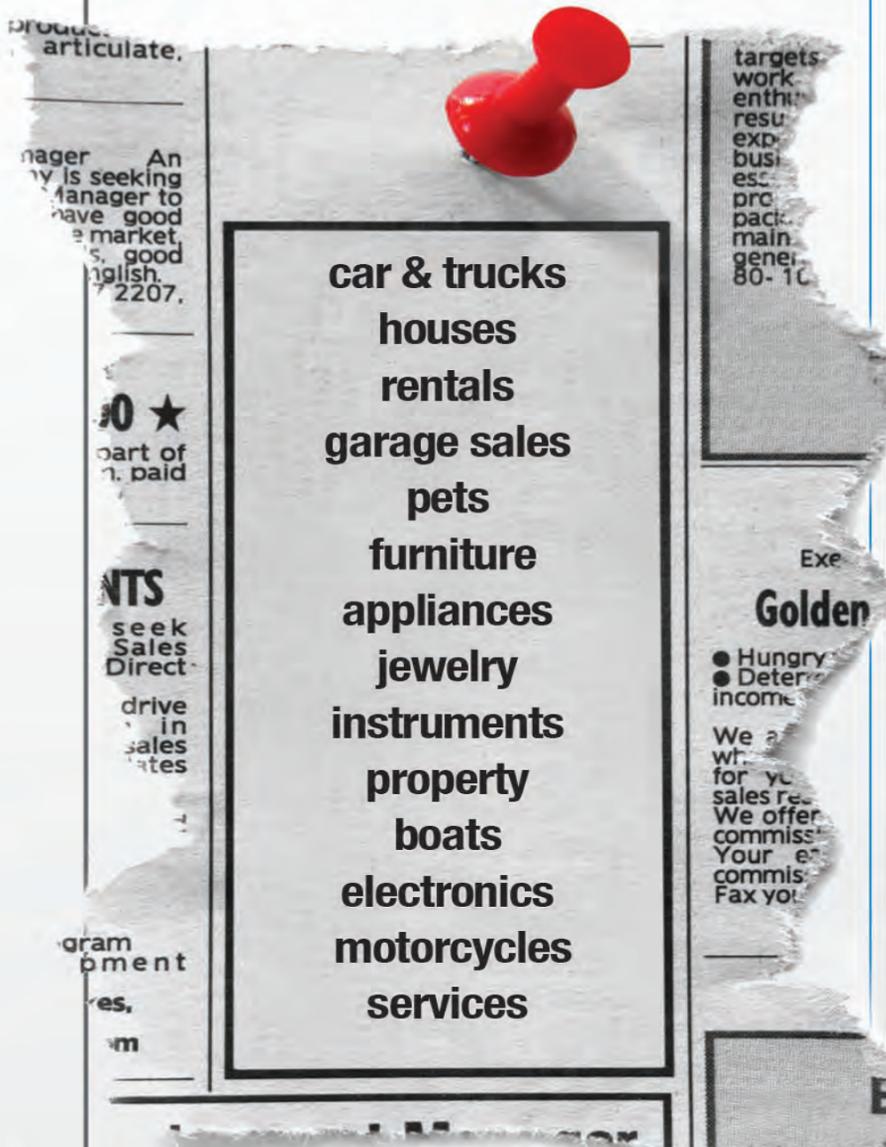
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of 2635.09 feet to a point, thence leaving said South boundary, run North 17 degrees 46 minutes 36 seconds West, a distance of 1433.79 feet to a point, thence North 22 degrees 49 minutes 52 seconds West a distance of 1006.28 feet for a Point of Beginning, thence from said Point of Beginning run North 46 degrees 09 minutes 30 seconds West, a distance of 846.57 feet to a point, thence South 31 degrees 13 minutes 09 seconds West, a distance of 1143.15 feet to a point in the centerline of a 60 foot wide roadway, utility and drainage easement, thence run along said centerline as follows: South 08 degrees 10 minutes 43 seconds East, a distance of 184.54 feet to a point, thence South 19 degrees 55 minutes 58 seconds East, a distance of 151.84 feet to a point, thence South 20 degrees 29 minutes 32 seconds East, a distance of 283.81 feet to a point, thence leaving said centerline, run North 46 degrees 14 minutes 01 seconds East, a distance of 1420.35 feet to the Point of Beginning. Containing 20.00 acres, more or less. SUBJECT TO AND TOGETHER WITH A 60 foot wide roadway, utility and drainage easement over and across the Westerly 30 feet thereof. Name in which assessed: BEATRICE TEKEH, QUINTA TEKEH, DIANA FENTON, JONAS GEORGES Said property being in the County of Holmes, State of Flor-

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ida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on 4/15/14, at 11:00 A.M. DATED this 2/25/14. Kyle Hudson, Clerk of the Circuit CourtHolmes County, Florida March 12,19,26, April 2, 2014  
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**NOTICE OF TAX DEED APPLICATION**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That US BANK AS C/F FL DUNDEE LIEN INV, LLC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the name in which it was assessed are as follows: Certificate No. 653 Year of Issuance 5/26/10 Description of Property : 1615.00-000-000-002.000 SEC: 15 TWN: 06 RING: 17 ALL THAT PART OF NW 1/4 OF NE 1/4 & NE 1/4 OF NE 1/4 LESS 13 AC DES IN OR 45/262 LESS COMMENCE WHERE THE E RW LINE OF A GRADED PUBLIC RD (PEAK RD) INTERSECTS THE N LINE OF THE NE 1/4 OF SEC15, T6N, R17W, TH GO S 640FT SE ON THE E RW LINE OF THE PUBLIC GRADED RD (PEAK RD) TO A POINT, TH DUE E (FOR MORE LEGAL REFER TO TAX R And being further described as: Begin at the NW corner of the NE 1/4 of NE 1/4 of Section 15, Township 6 North,

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Range 17 West, thence East 140 yards along said forty line to the Point of Beginning; thence East 140 yards; thence South 70 yards; thence West 140 yards; thence North 70 yards, more or less to the Point of Beginning. Said property containing 2.0 acres, more or less. AND Begin at the NW corner of the NE 1/4 of NE 1/4 of Section 15, Township 6 North, Range 17 West, thence South 70 yards, more or less, along the East right-of-way line of Peak Road to a point, said point being the Point of Beginning of the parcel herein described; thence East 140 yards; thence South 70 yards; thence West 140 yards, more or less, to the East right-of-way line of Peak Road; thence North 70 yards, more or less, along the East right-of-way line of Peak Road to the Point of Beginning; said property containing 2 acres, more or less. Name in which assessed: HOSEA PEAK, JR., HOSEA PEAK, JR. C/O ROGER DALE PEAK Said property being in the County of Holmes, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on 4/15/14, at 11:00 A.M. DATED this 2/26/14. Kyle Hudson, Clerk of the Circuit Court Holmes County, Florida March 12,19,26, April 2, 2014

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**NOTICE OF TAX DEED APPLICATION**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That US BANK AS C/F FL DUNDEE LIEN INV, LLC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the name in which it was assessed are as follows: Certificate No. 721 Year of Issuance 5/26/10 Description of Property: 1802.00-001-000-051.000 SEC: 2 TWN: 04 RING: 17 LOT 51, REEDY CREEK CROSSING PHASE II, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: A PORTION OF SECTION 2, TOWNSHIP 4 NORTH, RANGE 17 WEST, HOLMES COUNTY, FLORIDA; BEING MORE DESCRIBED AS F O L L O W S : COMMENCE AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SECTION 2, Township 4 North, Range 17 West, Holmes County, Florida. Thence South 89 degrees 35 minutes 36 seconds East, along the North line of said Section 2, a distance of 1873.41 feet; thence South 05 degrees 59 minutes 50 seconds West a distance of 490.93 feet; thence

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South 86 degrees 21 minutes 51 seconds West a distance of 225.10 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence continue South 86 degrees 21 minutes 51 seconds West a distance of 252.46 feet; thence South 01 degrees 38 minutes 22 seconds West a distance of 815.56 feet to the centerline of a 60 foot proposed road; thence along said centerline of a 60 foot proposed road the following 5 calls: (1) thence South 78 degrees 44 minutes 40 seconds East a distance of 86.76 feet; (2) thence South 85 degrees 27 minutes 23 seconds East a distance of 52.14 feet; (3) thence North 77 degrees 51 minutes 17 seconds East a distance of 62.79 feet; (4) thence North 73 degrees 24 minutes 37 seconds East a distance of 90.96 feet; (5) thence North 84 degrees 55 minutes 34 seconds East a distance of 9.51 feet; thence departing said centerline of a 60 foot proposed road, North 01 degrees 23 minutes 51 seconds West a distance of 812.52 feet to the Point of Beginning. Containing 5.22 acres, more or less. Together with a 60' right of way for ingress and egress as set forth in declaration recorded in Official Records Book 396, page 838. Name in which assessed: AMJAD M. FARHAN, Said property being in the County of Holmes, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property de-

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scribed in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on 4/15/14, at 11:00 A.M. DATED this 2/26/14. Kyle Hudson, Clerk of the Circuit Court Holmes County, Florida March 12,19,26, April 2, 2014

3-3359 NOTICE OF TAX DEED APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT US BANK AS C/F FL DUNDEE LIEN INV. LLC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the name in which it was assessed are as follows: Certificate No. 40/31/11 Description of Property: 1707/741-001-002.000 SEC: 27 TWN: 07 RANG: 14 LOTS 9, 10, 11 & 12 BLK 1 OR 64/535 OR 304 668 WD-OR 429/944 ALSO LOT 13 BLK 1 DES OR 179/741-WD-429/944 And being further described as: Commencing at the NE corner of the NW 1/4 of the SE 1/4, Section 27, and running thence South 88 degrees 45 minutes West a distance of 40.00 feet; thence Southerly along the Westerly right-of-way of Main Street a distance of 240.00 feet; thence South 02 degrees 27 minutes East along the Westerly right-of-way of Main Street a distance of 120.00 feet; thence South 88 degrees 45 minutes West a distance of 100.00 feet; thence North 02 degrees 27 minutes West a distance of 120.00 feet; thence North 88 degrees 45 minutes East a distance of 100.00 feet to the Point of Beginning. Said property lying in the NW 1/4 of SE 1/4, Section 27, Township 14 North, Range 14 West, Holmes County, Florida and being further described as being a part of Lots 9, 10, 11 and 12 in Block 1 in the Town of Noma, Holmes County, Florida, as per plat, located in Section 27, Township 14 North, Range 14 West. Name in which assessed: LUTHER VICKERS, BERTHA ELIZABETH VICKERS Said property being in the County of Holmes, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on 4/15/14, at 11:00 A.M. DATED this 2/25/14. Kyle Hudson, Clerk of the Circuit Court Holmes County, Florida March 12,19,26, April 4, 2014

3-3378 NOTICE OF TAX DEED APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT US BANK AS C/F FL DUNDEE LIEN INV. LLC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the name in which it was assessed are as follows: Certificate No. 439 Year of Issuance 5/31/11 Description of Property: 1207.00-000-000-005.100 SEC: 07 TWN: 06 RANG: 16 A PARCEL LOCATED IN NE 1/4 OR SW 1/4 DES IN OR 97/376 DES OR 190/132 OR 212/124 OR 220/682 OR 237/520 OR 238/145 AA OR 248/373 AND being further described as: Lot 1: Beginning at NE Corner of NW 1/4 of SW 1/4 of Section 7, Township 6 North, Range 16 West; thence South 0 degrees 41 minutes 05 seconds West along the forty line, 200 feet; thence North 89 degrees 18 minutes 55 seconds West, 446.87 feet to the Easterly Right of way line of a county road; thence Northwesterly along said Right of way line 208.53 feet to the North line of said forty; thence South 89 degrees 42 minutes 18 seconds East, 505.72 feet to the Point of Beginning, said parcel containing 2.19 acres, more or less. Lot 2: Commence at the NE Corner of the NW 1/4 of SW 1/4 of Section 7, Township 6 North, Range 16 West; thence South 00 degrees 41 minutes 05 seconds West 200 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence continue South 00 degrees 41 minutes 05 seconds West, 200 feet; thence North 89 degrees 18 minutes 55 seconds West, 385.98 feet to the Easterly Right of way line of a county road; thence North 16 degrees 15 minutes 00 seconds West along said Right of way line 209.07 feet; thence South 89 degrees 18 minutes 55 seconds East, 446.87 feet to the Point of Beginning, said parcel containing 1.91 acres, more or less. Name in which assessed: ANNIE A. WRIGHT Said property being in the County of Holmes, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at

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the courthouse door on 4/15/14, at 11:00 A.M. DATED this 2/26/14. Kyle Hudson, Clerk of the Circuit Court Holmes County, Florida March 12,19,26, April 2, 2014

3-3375 NOTICE OF TAX DEED APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT US BANK AS C/F FL DUNDEE LIEN INV. LLC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the name in which it was assessed are as follows: Certificate No. 766 Year of Issuance 5/31/11 Description of Property: 1802.00-001-000-110.000 SEC: 2 TWN: 04 RANG: 17 LOT 110, REEDY CREEK CROSSING, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 2, TOWNSHIP 4 NORTH, RANGE 17 WEST OF HOLMES COUNTY, FLORIDA; THENCE RUN S22°23'17"E, 1783.04 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE (FOR MORE LEGAL REFER TO TAX R AND being further described as: LOT 110, Reedy Creek Crossing, more particularly described as follows: Commence at the Southwest corner of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 2, Township 4 North, Range 17 West of Holmes County, Florida; thence run S22°23'17"E, 1783.04 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence run N76°02'48"E, 706.01 feet; thence S10°22'46"E, 239.62 feet; S86°53'09"W, 761.97 feet to the Easterly right of way line of a proposed road; thence run along said right of way line on a chord bearing of N06°17'13"W, for a chord distance of 403.27 feet to the Point of Beginning. Name in which assessed: PATRICK LAFORTUNE, Said property being in the County of Holmes, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on 4/15/14, at 11:00 A.M. DATED this 2/26/14. Kyle Hudson, Clerk of the Circuit Court Holmes County, Florida March 12,19,26, April 2, 2014

3-3375 NOTICE OF TAX DEED APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT US BANK AS C/F FL DUNDEE LIEN INV. LLC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the name in which it was assessed are as follows: Certificate No. 784 Year of Issuance 5/31/11 Description of Property: 1812.00-001-000-080.000 SEC: 07 TWN: 04 RANG: 16 LOT 80, REEDY CREEK CROSSING, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 7, TOWNSHIP 4 NORTH, RANGE 16 WEST OF HOLMES COUNTY, FLORIDA; THENCE RUN S81° 23'03"W, 2002.24 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE (FOR MORE LEGAL REFER TO TAX R AND being further described as: LOT 80, Reedy Creek Crossing, more particularly described as follows: Commence at the Southwest corner of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 7, Township 4 North, Range 16 West of Holmes County, Florida. Thence South 81° 23' 03" West, 2002.24 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence run North 16° 19' 55" West 491.60 feet; thence South 73° 50' 35" West 461.41 feet; thence South 15° 00' 41" East, 464.25 feet to the Northerly right of way line of a proposed road; thence run North 77° 06' 46" East along said right of way line, 480.98 feet to the Point of Beginning. Name in which assessed: ALFREDO JATIVA, Said property being in the County of Holmes, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on 4/15/14, at 11:00 A.M. DATED this Kyle Hudson, Clerk of the Circuit Court Holmes County, Florida March 12,19,26, April 2, 2014

3-3425 NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Writ of Execution issued in the County Court of Bay County, Florida on the 12th day of February, 2014, in the cause wherein Innovations Federal

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Credit Union, is plaintiff and James A. Roper, is defendant, being Case No. 12-781CC in said Court. I, Tim Brown, as Sheriff of Holmes County, Florida, have levied upon all the right, title and interest of the defendant, James A. Roper in and to the following property, to wit: A 1999 Ford Truck bearing V.I.N.: 2FTRX08L2XCA59930 And on the 30th day of April, 2014, at the impounded yard of Eastern Diesel & Auto, Inc., in the City of Bonifay, at 2005 S. Waukesha Street, Holmes County, Florida, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as possible, I will offer for sale all of the said defendant, James A. Roper, right, title and interest in aforesaid property at public outcry and will sell the same, subject to all prior liens, encumbrances and judgements, if any, to the highest and best bidder for CASH IN HAND, plus Florida State Sales Tax, if applicable, the proceeds to be applied as far as may be to the payment of costs and satisfaction of the above described execution. TIM BROWN Sheriff of Holmes County, Florida In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons with disabilities needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact, Tim Brown, Sheriff, at 850-547-4421 not later than seven days prior to the proceeding. March 26, April 2, 9, and 16.

3-3363 NOTICE OF TAX DEED APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT US BANK AS C/F FL DUNDEE LIEN INV. LLC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the name in which it was assessed are as follows: Certificate No. 294 Year of Issuance 5/26/10 Description of Property: 0831.00-001-000-042.000 SEC: 31 TWN: 06 RANG: 15 COMMENCE AT AN AXLE MARKING THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SECTION 31, TOWNSHIP 6 NORTH, RANGE 15 WEST, HOLMES COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND RUN SOUTH 87 DEGREES 33 MINUTES 16 SECONDS EAST ALONG THE SOUTH BOUNDARY OF SAID 31, A DISTANCE OF 1 : 345.69 FEET TO A POINT, THENCE LEAVING THE SOUTH BOUNDARY OF SAID SECTION 31, (FOR MORE LEGAL REFER TO TAX R AND being further described as: Commence at the Southwest corner of Section 31, Township 6 North, Range 15 West, Holmes County, Florida, and run South 87 degrees 33 minutes 16 seconds East along the South boundary of said Section 31, a distance of 2358.46 feet to a point, thence leaving the South boundary of said Section 31, run North a distance of 1386.83 feet to a point in the centerline of a 60 foot wide roadway, utility and drainage easement, thence North 00 degrees 12 minutes 06 seconds East, along said centerline a distance of 1321.94 feet to a point, thence leaving said centerline run North 53 degrees 03 minutes 38 seconds East a distance of 546.16 feet for a Point of Beginning, thence from said Point of Beginning continue North 53 degrees 09 minutes 38 seconds East, a distance of 581.34 feet to a point, thence South 01 degrees 15 minutes 31 seconds East, a distance of 1336.35 feet to a point in the centerline of a 60 foot wide roadway, utility and drainage easement, thence run along said centerline as follows: South 56 degrees 21 minutes 28 seconds West, a distance of 256.92 feet to a point, thence South 41 degrees 39 minutes 59 seconds West, a distance of 246.55 feet to a point, thence South 46 degrees 05 minutes 19 seconds West, a distance of 200.18 feet to a point, thence leaving said centerline, run North 01 degrees 06 minutes 19 seconds East, a distance of 1452.29 feet to the Point of Beginning. SUBJECT TO AND TOGETHER WITH A 60 foot wide roadway, utility and drainage easement over and across the Southerly 30 feet thereof. Name in which assessed: JONATHAN H. KLINE, BARBARA KLINE Said property being in the County of Holmes, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on 4/15/14, at 11:00 A.M. DATED this 2/25/14. Kyle Hudson, Clerk of the Circuit Court Holmes County, Florida March 12,19,26, April 2, 2014

3-3367 NOTICE OF TAX DEED APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT US BANK AS C/F FL DUNDEE LIEN INV. LLC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the name in which it was assessed are as follows: Certificate No. 303 Year of Issuance 5/26/10 Description of Property: 0832.00-001-000-079.000 SEC: 32 TWN: 06 RANG: 15 COM AT SE COR STR 32/6/15 & RUN N87-41-55W ALG E 1/2 OF W 1/2 OF E 1/2 3989.10' TH LEAVING E BDRY RUN 575-40-10W 675.41' TH N0-59-37W 686.74' TH N85-46-34W 1339.79' FOR POB TH N85-46-34W 614.26' TH S5-33-54E 1135.77' TO CENTERLINE TH N82-17-49E (FOR MORE LEGAL REFER TO TAX R AND being further described as: DESCRIPTION (TRACT #79) Commence at an iron rod marking the Southeast Corner of

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which assessed: PEDRO BATISTA, MOISES HERNANDEZ, Said property being in the County of Holmes, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on 4/15/14, at 11:00 A.M. DATED this 2/25/14. Kyle Hudson, Clerk of the Circuit Court Holmes County, Florida March 12,19,26, April 2, 2014

3-3364 NOTICE OF TAX DEED APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT US BANK AS C/F FL DUNDEE LIEN INV. LLC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the name in which it was assessed are as follows: Certificate No. 297 Year of Issuance 5/26/10 Description of Property: 0831.00-001-000-054.000 SEC: 31 TWN: 06 RANG: 15 COMMENCE AT AN AXLE MARKING THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SECTION 31, TOWNSHIP 6 NORTH, RANGE 15 WEST, HOLMES COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND RUN SOUTH 87 DEGREES 33 MINUTES 16 SECONDS EASTALONG THE SOUTH BOUNDARY OF SAID 31, A DISTANCE OF 2358.46 FEET TO A POINT, THENCE LEAVING THE SOUTH BOUNDARY OF SAID SECTION 31, (FOR MORE LEGAL REFER TO TAX R AND being further described as: Commence at an axle marking the Southwest corner of Section 31, Township 6 North, Range 15 West, Holmes County, Florida, and run South 87 degrees 33 minutes 16 seconds East along the South boundary of said Section 31, a distance of 2358.46 feet to a point, thence leaving the South boundary of said Section 31, run North a distance of 1386.83 feet to a point in the centerline of a 60 foot wide roadway, utility and drainage easement, thence North 00 degrees 12 minutes 06 seconds East, along said centerline a distance of 1321.94 feet to a point, thence leaving said centerline run North 53 degrees 03 minutes 38 seconds East a distance of 546.16 feet for a Point of Beginning, thence from said Point of Beginning continue North 53 degrees 09 minutes 38 seconds East, a distance of 581.34 feet to a point, thence South 01 degrees 15 minutes 31 seconds East, a distance of 1336.35 feet to a point in the centerline of a 60 foot wide roadway, utility and drainage easement, thence run along said centerline as follows: South 56 degrees 21 minutes 28 seconds West, a distance of 256.92 feet to a point, thence South 41 degrees 39 minutes 59 seconds West, a distance of 246.55 feet to a point, thence South 46 degrees 05 minutes 19 seconds West, a distance of 200.18 feet to a point, thence leaving said centerline, run North 01 degrees 06 minutes 19 seconds East, a distance of 1452.29 feet to the Point of Beginning. SUBJECT TO AND TOGETHER WITH A 60 foot wide roadway, utility and drainage easement over and across the Southerly 30 feet thereof. Name in which assessed: HIBNER JEAN BAPTISTE. Said property being in the County of Holmes, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on 4/15/14, at 11:00 A.M. DATED this 2/26/14. Kyle Hudson, Clerk of the Circuit Court Holmes County, Florida March 12,19,26, April 2, 2014

3-3372 NOTICE OF TAX DEED APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT US BANK AS C/F FL DUNDEE LIEN INV. LLC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the name in which it was assessed are as follows: Certificate No. 450 Year of Issuance 5/26/10 Description of Property: 1221.00-000-000-024.000 SEC: 21 TWN: 06 RANG: 16 THAT PORTION OF FOLLOWING DESC PARCEL WHICH LIES E OF CURRY FERRY ROAD BEGIN 225 YARDS N OF SE 1/4 OF NW 1/4 & RUN N 90 YARDS W 660 YARDS S 90 YARDS TO POB WD-OR 381/927 And being further described as: That portion of the following described parcel which lies East of Curry Ferry Road; Begin 225 yards North of Southeast corner of Southeast Quarter of Northwest Quarter and run North 90 yards, West 660 yards, East 660 yards to Point of Beginning, in Section 21, Township 6 North, Range 16 West, Holmes County, Florida. Name in which assessed: HIBNER JEAN BAPTISTE. Said property being in the County of Holmes, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on 4/15/14, at 11:00 A.M. DATED this 2/26/14. Kyle Hudson, Clerk of the Circuit Court Holmes County, Florida March 12,19,26, April 2, 2014

3-3372 NOTICE OF TAX DEED APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT US BANK AS C/F FL DUNDEE LIEN INV. LLC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the name in which it was assessed are as follows: Certificate No. 712 Year of Issuance 5/26/10 Description of Property: 1801.00-001-000-087.000 SEC: 2 TWN: 04 RANG: 17 LOT 87, REEDY CREEK CROSSING, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 2, TOWNSHIP 4 NORTH, RANGE 17 WEST OF HOLMES COUNTY, FLORIDA; THENCE RUN S69°53'30"E, 2579.19 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE (FOR MORE LEGAL REFER TO TAX R AND being

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Section 32, Township 6 North, Range 15 West, Holmes County, Florida, and run North 87 degrees 41 minutes 55 seconds West, along the South boundary of said Section 32, a distance of 1318.66 feet to the Southeast corner of the West Half of the East Half of said Section 32, thence run North 01 degrees 28 minutes 28 seconds East, along the East boundary of the West Half of the East Half of said Section 32, a distance of 3989.10 feet to a point, thence leaving said East boundary, run South 75 degrees 40 minutes 10 seconds West, a distance of 675.41 feet to a point, thence North 00 degrees 59 minutes 37 seconds West, a distance of 6867.4 feet to a point, thence North 85 degrees 46 minutes 34 seconds West, a distance of 1339.79 feet for a Point of Beginning, thence from said Point of Beginning continue North 85 degrees 46 minutes 34 seconds West, a distance of 614.26 feet to a point, thence South 05 degrees 33 minutes 54 seconds East, a distance of 1135.77 feet to a point in the centerline of a 60 foot wide roadway, utilities and drainage easement, thence North 82 degrees 17 minutes 49 seconds East, along said centerline, a distance of 677.68 feet to a point, thence leaving said centerline, run North 09 degrees 39 minutes 08 seconds West, a distance of 1008.61 feet to the Point of Beginning; Containing 15.73 acres, more or less. SUBJECT TO AND TOGETHER WITH A 60 foot wide roadway, utility and drainage easement over and across the Southerly 30 feet thereof. Name in which assessed: LIONEL PHANOR, Said property being in the County of Holmes, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on 4/15/14, at 11:00 A.M. DATED this 2/26/14. Kyle Hudson, Clerk of the Circuit Court Holmes County, Florida March 12,19,26, April 2, 2014

3-3373 NOTICE OF TAX DEED APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT US BANK AS C/F FL DUNDEE LIEN INV. LLC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the name in which it was assessed are as follows: Certificate No. 717 Year of Issuance 5/26/10 Description of Property: 1802.00-001-000-024.000 SEC: 2 TWN: 04 RANG: 17 LOT 24, REEDY CREEK CROSSING PHASE II, STR 02/04/17 COM AT THE NW COR OF SEC 2 TH S0-87W ALG THE W LINE OF SAID SEC 1271.54' TO POB TH CONT S0-87W ALG SAID W LINE OF SAID SEC 324.04' TH S89-47-20 E 635.27 FT TO CENTERLINE OF 60' PROPOSED RD TH ALG CENTERLINE TH N21-26-33E 62.98' TH N15-40-9E 95.83' TH N12-48-29E (FOR MORE LEGAL REFER TO TAX R AND being further described as: LOT 24, Reedy Creek Crossing Phase II, Commence at the Northwest corner of Section 2, Township 4 North, Range 17 West, Holmes County, Florida. Thence South 00 degrees 08 minutes 07 seconds West along the West line of said Section 2, a distance of 1271.54 feet to the Point of Beginning, thence continue South 00 degrees 08 minutes 07 seconds West along said West line of said Section 2, a distance of 324.04 feet, thence South 89 degrees 47 minutes 20 seconds East a distance of 635.27 feet to the centerline of a 60 foot proposed road, thence along said centerline of a 60 foot proposed road the following 5 calls: (1) thence North 21 degrees 26 minutes 33 seconds East a distance of 62.98 feet; (2) thence North 15 degrees 40 minutes 09 seconds East a distance of 95.83 feet; (3) thence North 12 degrees 48 minutes 29 seconds East a distance of 49.68 feet; (4) thence North 08 degrees 15 minutes 22 seconds East a distance of 88.89 feet; (5) thence North 06 degrees 07 minutes 26 seconds East a distance of 43.04 feet; thence departing said centerline of a 60 foot proposed road South 89 degrees 42 minutes 00 seconds West a distance of 717.78 feet to the Point of Beginning. Containing 5.12 acres, more or less. Together with a 60' right of way for ingress and egress as set forth in declaration recorded in Official Records Book 396, page 838. Name in which assessed: IMUENTINYAN S. SAMALIM, TAIWU U. IMAFIDON Said property being in the County of Holmes, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on 4/15/14, at 11:00 A.M. DATED this 2/26/14. Kyle Hudson, Clerk of the Circuit Court Holmes County, Florida March 12,19,26, April 2, 2014

3-3373 NOTICE OF TAX DEED APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT US BANK AS C/F FL DUNDEE LIEN INV. LLC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the name in which it was assessed are as follows: Certificate No. 432 Year of Issuance 5/31/11 Description of Property: 1130.00-000-000-002.300 SEC: 30 TWN: 07 RANG: 16 N 1/2 OF SW 1/4 OF NW 1/4 ACS DES IN OR 146/323-324 DES OR 201/809 OR 204/76 LIFE/EST OR 299/296 And being further described as: A parcel of land described as beginning at the Northeast corner of the SW 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of Section 30, Township 7 North, Range 16 West, and from said Point of Beginning, running South along the East line of the SW 1/4 of the NW 1/4 a distance of 210 feet to a point; thence run due West perpendicular to said East line of the SW 1/4 of the NW 1/4 a distance of 420 feet to a point; thence run due North parallel to the East line of the SW 1/4 of NW 1/4 a distance of 210 feet to the North boundary of said SW 1/4 of NW 1/4 and thence run due East 420 feet to the Point of Beginning, also LESS AND EXCEPT All Department of Transportation right of way. Name in which assessed: TERRY JOSEPH NADEAU, MARY BELL NADEAU Said property being in the County of Holmes, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on 4/15/14, at 11:00 A.M. DATED this 2/26/14. Kyle Hudson, Clerk of the Circuit Court Holmes County, Florida March 12,19,26, April 2, 2014

3-3380 NOTICE OF TAX DEED APPLICATION

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3-3376 NOTICE OF TAX DEED APPLICATION

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urther described as: LOT 87, Reedy Creek Crossing, more particularly described as follows: Commence at the Southwest corner of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 2, Township 4 North, Range 17 West of Holmes County, Florida; thence run S69°53'30"E, 2579.19 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence run N40°00'03"E, 1054.82 feet; thence N00°21'11"W, 742.37 feet to the centerline of a county graded road; thence run along said centerline on a bearing of S89°05'48"E, 293.59 feet; thence departing said centerline on a bearing of S02°21'34"E, 685.98 feet; thence run S00°40'25"W, 241.89 feet; thence S26°05'30"W, 722.99 feet; thence S75°15'25"W, 610.95 feet to the Easterly right of way line of a proposed road; thence run along said right of way line on a chord bearing of N19°13'01"W, on a chord distance of 196.27 feet to the Point of Beginning. Subject to proposed cul-de-sac and county graded road. Name in which assessed: STEVEN MICHAEL SMITH, Said property being in the County of Holmes, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on 4/15/14, at 11:00 A.M. DATED this 2/26/14. Kyle Hudson, Clerk of the Circuit Court Holmes County, Florida March 12,19,26, April 2, 2014

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LEGAL ADVERTISING 1100 747-5338 at least seven (7) days before your scheduled court appearance...

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HELP WANTED 4100 Single Wide Mobile Home 2BR/1BA, 1195B Knotch Pond Lane. Outside City Limits in ChIPLEY. No Pets. Reference Required. 850-658-2138

HELP WANTED 4100 98 Coachman Leprechaun REV 30', Great Condition- low mileage 40,000 miles, sleeps 8, V10 Triton gas engine, Exterior, private queen size bedroom, full size separate shower, central heat/air, central stereo w/ disc player, 2 /, double stainless steel sinks, 3 burner stove/oven, large refrigerator/freezer, canopy, beautiful oak cabinets throughout, original decor like new. Priced well below book value at \$17,500 OBOE. 1 year warranty on engine and drive train. Also offering 2007 Harley-Davidson XL500 sportster, 50th Anniversary, 200cc engine. Commercial size grill/fryer, 60X42, dull back 1800 BTU burners with stainless steel fry vat, and commercial size fry basket. Call 850-557-9712

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# EMPLOYMENT TODAY!!!



## Public Works Department HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATOR I - DUMP TRUCK DRIVER(S)

**\*\*Applications will be accepted from both internal and external applicants.\*\***

The Washington County Board of County Commissioners is currently accepting applications for HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATOR I - Dump Truck Driver positions in the PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT. The primary function of the Heavy Equipment Operator I will be to operate machinery in connection with the construction, repair, and maintenance of roads and right-of-ways within Washington County.

**Minimum Training and Experience:** Graduation from standard high school or general education degree (GED) required. One year of verifiable experience in the operation and routine maintenance of heavy equipment. Valid Florida Class "A" or "B" CDL Drivers License required. Class A preferred. The starting hourly rate is \$10.16.

Applications may be accessed on-line at [www.washingtonfl.com](http://www.washingtonfl.com). Applications and job descriptions may also be obtained at the Washington County Board of County Commissioners' office located at 1331 South Boulevard, Chipley, FL 32428. All interested applicants MUST submit an Employment Application to the Human Resources Department in the Washington County Board of County Commissioners' office by 4:00 PM on March 27, 2014. All questions regarding this position or other vacancies should be directed to the Human Resources Department, 850-415-5151. The selected applicant will be subject to a pre-employment physical and drug screen. Veteran's Preference is accepted in accordance with FS 295.08.

Equal Opportunity/Drug-Free Workplace 1123312

The Washington County Board of County Commissioners is currently accepting applications for two (2)

## INMATE SUPERVISOR

positions in the Parks and Recreation Department. The primary function of an Inmate Supervisor position will be to supervise the Department of Corrections and/or Washington County Jail inmates in the performance of maintenance activities such as cutting brush, limbs, trees and other vegetation grown at roadsides; utilizing power equipment such as "boom" mowers tractors, and chain saws; cleaning trash and debris, and/or moves trees or other obstructive objects from County right of way and hauling debris for deposit at specified locations.

### Minimum Training and Experience:

- Graduation from a standard high school or equivalent;
- Must possess a Florida Class E drivers license;
- Must pass a background check through the Department of Corrections;
- Must attend and satisfactorily complete Department of Corrections class for inmate supervisors;
- Carpentry skills preferred.

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## Now Hiring for Warehouse Workers

In Chipley. Must have HS Diploma/ GED, Able to pass a drug screen and background check. Will be at Chipley One Stop taking applications Tuesday the 18th 9a-12p. For more information, call Manpower, 334-794-7564 1123242

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## Public Works Department FUEL TRUCK OPERATOR

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The Washington County Board of County Commissioners is currently accepting applications for a Fuel Truck Operator position in the PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT. This is a semi-skilled position responsible for the fueling of vehicles and equipment and performing preventive maintenance including oil and filter changes and lubrication, in the shop and in field located jobsites. This work is performed in connection with the construction, repair, and maintenance of roads and right-of-ways within Washington County.

**Minimum Training and Experience:** Graduation from standard high school or general education degree (GED) required. Two years of verifiable experience in the operation and routine maintenance of heavy equipment. Valid Florida Class "A" CDL Drivers License with Hazardous Material endorsement required. The starting hourly rate is \$11.48.

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## Library Services Coordinator:

Provide information services, supervise library assistants, and manage public service desk. Position will manage library operations while allowing librarians to provide higher level of services to faculty and students.

### Minimum Qualifications:

Bachelor's degree and evidence of supervisory abilities.  
**Deadline to apply: 4/04/2014**  
**Salary range begins at: \$29,131.00**  
Applicants may apply in person at GCSC Human Resources, 5230 W. U.S. Highway 98, via fax at (850) 913-3292, or e-mail your application to [bcollins2@gulfcoast.edu](mailto:bcollins2@gulfcoast.edu)  
Additional info: [www.gulfcoast.edu/hr](http://www.gulfcoast.edu/hr)  
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# GEARING FOR GROWTH

## Holmes, Washington counties showing signs of expansion

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Holmes and Washington counties are gearing for growth in 2014, with both counties showing signs of progress in the areas of the economy, health care and technology. Key indicators show both counties are also projected to experience growth from 2013 through increased median household incomes, lower unemployment rates, and larger populations.

### WASHINGTON COUNTY

The Washington County Chamber of Commerce is focusing on economic growth by hosting a series of Economic Development Symposiums in Chipley. Such symposiums have provided insight into how economic development works, while identifying Washington County's needs, strengths and weaknesses. Members of both the business community and private sectors came together to brainstorm ways to jumpstart the local economy.

Assets identified included the county's proximity to transportation corridors such as I-10 and State Road 77 and U.S. 90, availability of large tracts of quality land, quality hospital and education systems, natural resources and existing infrastructure.

Ideas to enhance those existing assets included creating and keeping a current inventory of available land tracts and their available resources, such as water and sewer access. Also discussed was the importance of pre-developing the areas most desirable to develop by initiating new infrastructure.

Expanding that infrastructure got a hand up from a recent grant from the Northwest Florida Water Management District. The city of Chipley has begun preliminary plans to use those funds to expand existing infrastructure south of Interstate 10.

State Road 77 will also see expansion, with a widening project underway from one mile north of Wausau to just south of Clayton Road (County Road 276).

Two new schools are on the horizon for Washington County as well, with construction plans underway for a new Kate M. Smith Elementary campus in Chipley and a new Vernon Elementary School in Vernon.

Meanwhile, plans by the Ebro Dog Track to seek adding slot machines as added revenue are stalled while proposed Legislation is batted back and forth by the House with the idea of setting up a new gambling commission to provide more oversight and regulation of all aspects of gambling in the state. The legislation as it stands would exempt the state lottery and mandate a constitutional amendment requiring a statewide referendum be held on any expansion of gambling.



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State Road 79 is among roads that will soon be expanded under a \$10 million FDOT project.



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Patrons gather around multiple tables in the poker room at Ebro Greyhound Park on Feb. 28.

### HOLMES COUNTY

Holmes County is hoping to see economic growth, along with new industry under the leadership of newly hired Holmes County Development Commission Executive Director Raymon Thomas. Officials are eyeing the possibility of a new industrial park in the county and report that at least one manufacturing industry may be interested in the area.

Holmes County is continuing with their Strategic Plan for Economic Development and hope to build upon its strengths, such as natural resources, a lower tax base and abundance of available property. The Holmes County Development Commission spearheads the effort to pursue that Holmes County promotes the growth of an Enterprise Zone which ensures that local businesses and residents are zone certified. The 20 square mile zone is divided into three non-contiguous areas covering Bonifay, Ponce de Leon and Esto. The Development Commission acts as the official representative of Enterprise Zone activity to ensure that businesses and residents located in the zone will be able to receive numerous incentives.

The TDC also encourages local entrepreneurship for local business

start-ups and works with the Small Business Development Center of UWF to offer its "Steps to Starting a New Business" seminars on-site in Holmes County as part of its strategic plan.

Holmes County will also experience infrastructure expansion to help encourage other new industry, with recent grant monies also helping lay the ground work for widening of State Road 79 and NFWFD grants to help the City of Bonifay, Town of Esto and Town of Noma improve water and sewer systems.

Both counties continue to participate in the RiverWay South Apalachicola Choctawhatchee project, a multi-county consortium which seeks to bring tourism into the rural counties of Florida.

The project is a 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.

Holmes Creek provides one of the most diverse habitats and richest variety of fish and mollusks in the Choctawhatchee River basin, according to the Northwest Florida Water Management District's website.

# Washington, Holmes counties to aid Riverway South Project

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**BONIFAY** — The Washington County Tourism Development Council, Holmes County Development Commission and the Holmes County Tourism Development Council continue to support the Riverway South Project here.

The RiverWay South Apalachicola Choctawhatchee project is a multi-county consortium to bring tourism into the rural counties of Florida, said Jim Brook, director of the Holmes County Economic Development Commission and a board member of the Riverway South project.

In addition to spending \$10,000 collectively in support of the rural tourism project as a part of a matching grant program to raise funds for tourism efforts, local tourism councils said they support the project's ultimate goal of promoting eco-tourism, specifically.

According to the RiverWay South website, the project is a 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.

"Much of rural tourism is what I would call 'eco-tourism,'" Brook said. "Eco-tourism has a lot to offer Holmes and Washington counties by the way of protecting our rivers and streams."

The project also includes Jackson County and was based on a similar program in Alabama, designed to bring visitors to the rural areas of the state to enjoy natural beauty and wildlife.

Agri-tourism is also part of the draw for rural areas, Brook said, with visitors coming to visit farms from the cities to experience what agriculture is like firsthand. "I would also consider farmers' markets to be part of agri-tourism," he said. Agri-tourism has not been as successful as eco-tourism in bringing in visitors, Brook noted.

"Situated between the emerald green waters and white sandy beaches of the Gulf of Mexico and the upland forest bluffs of Florida's highest vistas, RiverWay South Apalachicola Choctawhatchee is the



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A snorkeler explores Cypress Springs along Holmes Creek.

*"Situated between the emerald green waters and white sandy beaches of the Gulf of Mexico and the upland forest bluffs of Florida's highest vistas, RiverWay South Apalachicola Choctawhatchee is the center of Northwest Florida's rich cultural, historical, maritime and nature-based region."*

### Riverway South Project brochure

center of Northwest Florida's rich cultural, historical, maritime and nature-based region," a brochure for the program reads.

"Holmes Creek is one of the most pristine bodies of water in the state," Brook said, citing the creek as just one example of what makes this region a prime location for eco-tourism. "I have been told that 55 streams feed into that creek. It is a local and state treasure."

Holmes Creek provides one of the most diverse habitats and richest variety of fish and mollusks in the Choctawhatchee River basin, according to the Northwest Florida Water Management District's website. And according to the website, dozens of springs do indeed feed into Holmes Creek, including Burn-out Spring, Cypress Springs and Becton Spring.



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The proposed Rhythm development is a 1,883-acre, active-adult retirement community in Washington County, about three miles west of U.S. 231.

## 'Rhythm' stalled by more permitting

By **CAROL KENT** and **CECILIA SPEARS**

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**CHIPLEY** — Progress on the proposed Rhythm development, centered between U.S. 231 and State 77, seems to have lost a beat.

Rhythm, a proposed age-restricted community of 55 and older, is expected to have 3,200 dwelling units and promises a small amount of commercial, office and retail for the community's immediate needs. The 1,883-acre parcel — purchased in 2006 for about \$3,700 an acre and currently on the tax rolls at \$1,000 an acre — is in the southeastern corner of the county where Jackson, Bay and Washington counties join along County Line Road.

Backers of the project hope the project falls back into step, but Rhythm is at an apparent standstill as developers await answers regarding when development can begin.

"There are numerous preconditions to commencing development throughout the Development Order," said Linda Loomis Shelley of Attorneys Fowler White Boggs' office in a March 2014 letter regarding the project.

Shelley went on to list several environmental requirements such as:

- All pre-development base line conditions must be documented
- Fish sampling must be implemented prior to submittal of the Master Stormwater Management Permit
- A Master Stormwater Permit from the Northwest Florida Water Management District (NFWFMD) must be obtained
- The Habitat Management Plan must be updated
- Conservation easements must be conveyed for Buckhorn Creek, Goshum Creek, and Long Brand Creek Wildlife Corridor
- A gopher tortoise relocation permit must be obtained from the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FFWCC)

Though the property owners have indicated work on many of these activates is under way, none of the listed preconditions have been completed.

"(Based on this information) it is not possible for development to commence for a minimum of 18-24 months," Shelley said. "Even then, it is anticipated that required road work will need to be completed or substantially underway before actual work on the site can begin — and needless to say, prep work for roadway construction is substantial and time consuming."

Chief among the issues stalling out the project are the FFWCC's guidelines for gopher tortoise permitting. Though commissioners were of the understanding

no permitting was required because of preconstruction activity falling under the category of silviculture, the logging company tasked with clearing the land reports it was told otherwise.

"Gopher Tortoise Guidelines provide that silviculture activities do not require a gopher tortoise permit . . . Because a contrary position has been represented to the loggers that a gopher tortoise permit is require at this time, the logger has pulled its equipment off the site and will not return to complete work until the (FFWCC) verifies in writing that a permit is not required," Shelley said.

This is not the first struggle the development has experienced, however.

Since Feb. 29, 2008, Rhythm has worked for approval of its DRI, or Development of Regional Impact, which includes requirements for specific and detailed plans on everything from how infrastructure will be supported to the impact on the environment. It gained that approval in February 2012.

The DRI goes hand-in-hand with the needed development order and Planned Urban Development, with all three needing approval for the project to move forward.

And there were three impediments to those plans: concerns whether Rhythm's wells will draw down nearby private wells, neighborhood opposition and a less-than-willing neighbor in Bay County, which has the road with the most direct access to the property.

### WATER

The water issues, Henderson said, should be settled given the reviews by the West Florida Regional Planning Council (WFRPC), the Florida Department of Transportation, the affected Water Management District, the local School District and a number of other agencies.

The Rhythm DRI was submitted to the WFRPC in Pensacola on Feb. 29, 2008, and received WFRPC approval on Oct. 27, 2011, after all agency comments had been satisfied with three review cycles at each level.

Washington County Senior Planner Michael DeRuntz said there was also a change that had to be made to the county's comprehensive plan to identify Rhythm as a Planned Unit Development (PUD).

A PUD is essentially another method of defining how a piece of property might be used and includes specific criteria. In Rhythm's case, DeRuntz said, the PUD was refined to include a 100-foot buffering zone to adjoining land and protected land, except for when joined to agriculture/silviculture, which then would be 50 feet. And it includes language that concerns water sheds, identifying spring

sheds, both primary and secondary.

"Since water is such a precious resource, this includes the protection of water sheds," DeRuntz said. "We've got to protect our water. There are some areas with more sensitive recharge areas, and we've got to be especially careful in this area because most of the county is on wells."

### ROADS

Henderson said he believes Bay County was reluctant to grant access via County Line Road, which runs directly to the project from U.S. 231, because of ongoing friction between Bay and Washington counties over test wells Bay has drilled to the west. He said Rhythm offered to pave County Line Road up to and beyond county and state standards but was refused.

Bay County officials said the reluctance had more to do with feasibility than anything: there is not enough right-of-way to pave County Line Road to county and state standards, and the county would have to go to court to take that needed right-of-way from private property owners, which wasn't a viable alternative.

So with the clock ticking, Rhythm turned back to Washington County with a plan to spend millions of dollars paving roads between the development and Chipley, mostly with federal grant money and at no cost to the county.

The project supporters said the worst case scenario is the county gets millions of dollar in road improvements, even if Rhythm doesn't sell the first unit.

"You never know when something's going to help or hurt you, but in this case it could do nothing but help us," said Washington County Engineer Cliff Knauer during a previous BOCC meeting. "Before, this project didn't address Washington County roads, and it wouldn't have been a benefit to us, but now it is. We first addressed needing to do something about Buckhorn Boulevard in 1999, as well as that huge section in Quail Hallow."

Knauer said it wouldn't be just for the project that paving those roads would benefit.

"Its unbelievable how many people live down in that area and could benefit from these roads being paved, not to mention those are school bus routes, and it'd save the district on maintenance needing to be done to those buses that have to go down those roads every day," Knauer said. "With almost every aspect of this project, they've gone above and beyond what is required."

### NEIGHBORS

With water and roads addressed, J. Scott Henderson, of Henderson Planning Group LLC, representing Rhythm said, "We feel that we have answered all the questions, done everything we've been asked to do and then some." Henderson conceded

there is little left to do to appease those who live near the project.

"Trying to get the neighborhood comfortable has been a challenge," he said. "That's probably the biggest issue we have right now, and the neighborhood isn't going to be satisfied."

But DeRuntz said he knew the concerns of the residents and in many of the aspects shared them, given the history of the area.

"Everyone is concerned with the economy, and everyone is living with the memory of Sunny Hills," DeRuntz said. "That project was done before the land use requirements. It would have never flown with the new standards."

And key to this development, DeRuntz said, is all the conditions set forth in the agreements stay with the land and the development, not the property owner. Whatever is approved now has to be honored no matter who ends up developing the property.

"If something happens and the property changes hands, the new owner would have to follow the same guidelines to the letter or else they will have to start all over again, which is exactly where the developers were in 2008," DeRuntz said.

### DEVELOPMENT ORDER

The most pressing matter at the moment is the Development Order. Without it, nothing happens. It represents an agreement "between the developer and the county about how things are going to be developed," said DeRuntz. "That's why there are phases the development must work within so that they have to meet the requirements on their part in order to continue their development."

DeRuntz said this is the biggest development to come to Washington County.

"With something this big we've got to make sure they fit into our comprehensive plan," DeRuntz said. "The developer has met all the conditions."

And one of the big conditions is the road paving will be completed before units are built for Phase I, preparing the area for heavier traffic.

This includes creating a new road called New Buckhorn Boulevard, and paving Buckhorn Boulevard to Quail Hallow Boulevard, Quail Hallow Boulevard to Orange Hill Road and Orange Hill Road until it meets the latest in Florida Department of Transportation standards.

Those parts of the road already paved will be repaved so the entire stretch meets the latest in FDOT standards.

Funding for this project is through an already approved Tiger III grant from the Department of Transportation. The developers have agreed to make up any shortfalls between that money and the actual cost of paving.

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# Washington County Chamber's members 'No. 1 resource'

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The Washington County Chamber of Commerce's No. 1 resource is its members.

With that said, our goal is to help our business community in any way possible. If you have questions on permitting, licensing or need to find resources for your business, call us. If we do not have the answer, we can usually

find it.

There are some specific areas the Chamber is focusing on in 2014.

The Chamber is in the process of revamping our Economic Development Council. One priority will be to try and give more assistance to our local businesses and see if there is an opportunity to help them grow and expand their current operations.

The Chamber capitalizes on our legislative relationships at all levels

— state, federal and local — to assist local businesses with issues affecting their business growth. We've also sent legislative delegations to the state as well as hosted forums for local businesses to share concerns with their governmental representatives.

The Chamber spends a good deal of time to bring relevant seminars and courses to our business and consumer community. Last summer, the

Chamber partnered with the Washington County Emergency Operations Center; local utilities and others to host the Disaster Preparedness Expo.

We also hosted a Business Credit Seminar in conjunction with eight area banks. This seminar discussed the core components of a credit score and offered many tips for improving a credit score. We plan on doing so again this year. We will also sponsored a principles of

management seminar with Bay Solutions and co-hosted a small business assistance seminar that helped businesses find financial resources and learn how to create a business plan.

The Chamber continues to partner with Northwest Florida Community Hospital, the Health Department and other local businesses to combat childhood obesity in Washington County through the We Can program.

If you have a particular

need which might be addressed in a seminar or workshop or other efforts, please let us know. The mission of the Chamber is to develop a strong and balanced economy while improving quality of life for all citizens. We invite our business and community to join us so that in Washington County might benefit.

For more information about the Chamber of Commerce, call 638-4157, or visit [www.washcomall.com](http://www.washcomall.com).

Ryan Helms of the Medical Gallery takes a moment to explain his vision for the Medical Gallery to the Holmes County Chamber of Commerce.



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## 'The Medical Gallery' focuses on physical and spiritual well-being

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**BONIFAY** — Business owner and pastor Ryan Helms said his new medical supply store is about more than taking care of business. It's about taking care of the customer as well.

Helms has helped set physicians up with needed equipment and has been involved with various pharmacy chains and business owners in Jacksonville, helping them start durable equipment companies of their own.

"We set up several of them, but I was really tired of traveling, and my kids were getting to where they needed me home more, so I thought many times that Bonifay doesn't really have a full comprehensive (medical

supply) company," Helms said.

Soon, the idea of the Medical Gallery was born. The store at 217 N. Waukesha St. in Bonifay, where the Movie Gallery once was, brings a higher standard of personal care.

"One thing we do differently at the Medical Gallery is replace (the standard mattress that comes with the bed) with a nice pressure mattresses so the patient gets the best quality mattress," Helms said.

It costs them a little more to do it that way, he said, but in the long run, the patients won't get diabetic sores or cumulous ulcers.

There are also special accommodations for women who have recently undergone a mastectomy.

"We have a shelf private mastectomy fitting room

where ladies can come in, and our staff is trained for mastectomy fitting," Helms said. "It's top shelf stuff with Victoria Secret-quality bras and fittings. When a lady comes in who has had a mastectomy, we're going to treat her like royalty. We're going to give her a free manicure and pedicure from Vo's, and we're going to give her a book that's just meant so much to friends of ours by Jerry Bridges called 'What to Do When Life Hurts.'" The store also offers a line of high quality wigs.

"I just really try to love on these ladies, encourage them and develop a friendship with them in the ministry," Helms said.

Helms been married to his wife for 21 years, and they have three children. He's served as pastor of New Zion Baptist Church for 13 years.

## Holmes County devises strategic plan for economic development

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The Holmes County Development Commission's Strategic Plan for Economic Development is still on track.

With the leadership of strategic planning consultant Dr. David L. Goetsch, the plan was devised specifically for Holmes County last year and continues to move forward.

Workshops to facilitate the effort were led by Goetsch. Attending the workshops were local elected officials, city and county management, board members, school board members, local business owners, clergy, non-profit organizational leaders and members of the public.

"The mission of the Holmes County Development Commission is to mobilize the human, physical, natural, and financial resources of the County and focus them on retaining and creating jobs, improving the local economy, and enhancing the quality of life throughout the community," the mission statement devised for the county reads.

Goetsch assisted the work groups with recognizing what economic development would be desired for the county, what the county has to offer and values the county wishes to sustain during the development.

Ten strategies were then formed for implementation. The Holmes County Development Commission chose

three of those goals with the hope of implementing the strategies within the next one to two years:

1. Continually enhance the quality of the labor force, and provide speakers from businesses for high school classes. Also to sponsor, in conjunction with local businesses, corporate training seminars for improving skills and attitudes of existing employees.

2. Institute a comprehensive marketing program aimed at attracting new business and engage in "piggy-back" marketing with larger regional economic development.

3. Encourage local entrepreneurship for local business start-ups and work with Small Business Development Center of UWF to offer its "Steps to Starting a New Business" seminars on-site in Holmes County.

The Development Commission has asked that the Holmes County Chamber of Commerce partner with them in the implementation of the Strategic Plan.

Strategic Plan implementation discussions have taken place with board member Tim Wells as chairman. Wells has identified as his first goal a need to gain community interest and involvement.

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# Florida rural broadband 'middle-mile' nears completion

Additional broadband capacity is fast becoming available in the nine-county area of northwest Florida served by Opportunity Florida. As the Florida Rural Broadband Alliance (FRBA) becomes operational and commercial over the first half of 2014, attention now turns to delivering service to the Opportunity Florida region.

More than 90 percent of the construction work is completed on the northern middle-mile system which includes 56 towers for wireless, microwave broadband backhaul.

At the end of January, five sites were ready



**JIM BROOK**  
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for last mile distribution, and two fiber interconnection points were "hot," making GigE service possible for the region. This broadband capacity is made possible through a National

Telecommunications and Information Administration grant, which was awarded to the Florida Rural Broadband

Alliance in August 2010.

The \$23.6 million grant is intended to provide additional capacity to unserved and underserved areas within the region served by FRBA.

Owned jointly by Opportunity Florida in the north and Florida's

Rural Heartland Economic Development Initiative in south-central Florida, FRBA is an "open-access" provider. That means the network is open to negotiate with any and all last mile providers seeking wholesale service through the FRBA network.

So, what does this mean for the Opportunity Florida community and service area? First, the FRBA system provides lower cost, high capacity broadband to Community Anchor Institutions, commonly referred to as "CAIs." CAIs include local government and public agencies including schools, libraries and hospitals. The NTIA grant was initiated with these unserved or underserved CAIs as the

intended target. Most government and public services are in the process of moving to paperless transactions and record-keeping and need the additional broadband and Internet-based capabilities. Another benefit of the FRBA system will be capacity to schools and libraries, as both those institutions face online and digital mandates. Finally, more capacity to the area will bring a greater prospect of jobs and economic development.

Broadband can be the great equalizer for business and industry as the world becomes completely "digital" and businesses are less dependent upon higher cost, traditional, metro

areas in which to conduct commerce. Expanded broadband becomes the invisible highway infrastructure on which business now travels. The wireless FRBA system is seeking relationships with CAIs and last mile providers to deliver this additional capacity to the Opportunity Florida service area. Through June 2014, FRBA construction will be completed, and last-mile distribution points will be made ready to provide services to the community. Opportunity Florida is hopeful this new asset and the expanded capabilities it brings will provide a higher quality of life and economic benefits to the nine-county area of Opportunity Florida.

For more information about the Florida Rural Broadband Alliance, wireless, middle-mile, broadband system, visit "weconnectflorida.com" or contact Opportunity Florida at 633-4118.

*Jim Brook is executive director of Opportunity Florida, the Northwest Florida Business Development Council and Co-managing partner of the Florida Rural Broadband Alliance. Opportunity Florida serves the northwest Florida Rural Area of Opportunity (RACEC), of Holmes, Washington, Jackson, Calhoun, Gulf, Franklin, Liberty, Gadsden and Wakulla counties.*



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to improve academically and expand opportunities for all children to succeed.

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Holmes County Schools work hard to incorporate and focus on all the community resources to help each student achieve their highest potential. Our schools have worked diligently to incorporate new requirements and curricula. Holmes County teachers embrace the ever-changing educational research to improve all children's experiences in the classroom.

Holmes County School District will continue



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Holmes County School Board Superintendent

to support our teachers by providing professional development and current resources to enhance instruction in the classroom. Data analysis will be used to review student

learning gains and to drive instruction to support individual student success. Holmes County also provides a variety of instructional models to help all students achieve.

Holmes County Schools encourage parents to be actively involved in their child's education. Our goal is to improve the lives of students by fostering good relationships between students, parents, and educators. Working together, we can make a difference in the lives of Holmes County children.

As superintendent, I am always aware that the choices I make every day affect a child's life forever. I look forward to next year because, it's always a great day in Holmes County Schools.

### STAFF REPORT

Advances are made in medical technology every day, but Washington and Holmes counties have managed to stay on top of the latest trends, with local hospitals offering modern technology with a personalized touch.

Both Doctor's Memorial Hospital in Bonifay and Chipley's Northwest Florida Community Hospital have launched clinical affiliation agreements with Gulf Coast Medical Center's telemedicine network.

With its use of telemedicine — technology that provides medical services and the exchange of medical information to remote areas — Gulf Coast Medical Center is positioning itself as a regional hub for telemedicine — specifically, telestroke.

Stroke, caused when a blood vessel that carries oxygen and nutrients to the



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Neurologists Hoda Elawahry and Achra Makki communicate through the new RP-Lite robot as ER paramedic Teresa McArdle demonstrates a remote patient examination, and telehealth director Andy Long stands by, at Gulf Coast Medical Center.

brain ruptures or is blocked, is the number four cause of death and the leading cause of disability, according to the American Stroke Association.

"With Tele-Stroke technology, a neurologist interacts directly with the

patient in order to assess their condition," NFCH CEO Janet Kinney said.

"Telemedicine allows the specialist to diagnose a stroke from a remotely from an Emergency Room with the patient and the clinical ER team at bedside.

Bringing that technology home to Chipley will allow the patient to receive a diagnosis within minutes, determining treatment that can be life-changing or even life-saving, if provided within that magic window of time."

For instance, a neurosurgeon at Gulf Coast Medical Center could immediately evaluate a potential stroke patient no matter the neurosurgeon's location. The doctors are wheeled in on a robot that features two-way communication capabilities.

"This is where we're headed, I believe," said JoAnn Baker, administrator at Doctors Memorial Hospital. "Because it's so difficult to get specialists to rural areas, we want to be sure our patients receive the same quality of care (as they would in a larger city). We're very excited to offer telemedicine to our patients and continue to stay on top of new technologies."

## Growth on the horizon for tri-county area

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Key economic indicators suggest Holmes, Jackson and Washington counties will enjoy continued growth.

Leading statistics compiled by analytics company Alteryx showed overall growth in 2013, with more growth projected over the next five years.

Washington County, which currently has 24,979 residents, is expected to lead population growth in the tri-county area, expanding to 25,837 — about 3.4 percent — by 2019. Holmes County is expected to see growth of about 1.9 percent, rising from 19,889 to 20,272, while Jackson County is expected to gain a modest .8 percent over the next five years, rising from 48,799 to 49,234.

Conversely, the number of households is expected to increase in the area: Washington County households will increase about 4.5 percent from 8,879 to 9,285; Holmes, about 2.8 percent from 7,334 to 7,542; and Jackson, about 2 percent, from 16,987 to 17,340.

The median age of persons in those households is also expected to rise slightly. Jackson County is projected to see the largest average age increase, from 40.7 years old to 41.3 (1.5 percent); Holmes County's median age will increase from 41.5 to 42.1 (1.4 percent), and Washington's will rise from about 40.8 to 41.3 (1.2 percent).

Residents are expected to spend more over the next five years, as well, likely as a result of an

Key Economic Indicators	Holmes	Washington	Jackson
<b>Population</b>	19,889	24,979	48,799
<b>5 year projection</b>	20,272	25,837	49,234
<b>Growth</b>	1.9 percent	3.4 percent	.8 percent
<b>Households</b>	7,334	8,879	16,987
<b>5 year projection</b>	7,542	9,285	17,340
<b>Growth</b>	2.8 percent	4.5 percent	2 percent
<b>Total Consumer Expenditures</b>	\$291.7 million	\$373.6 million	\$697.5 million
<b>5 year projection</b>	\$365 million	\$470.2 million	\$866.80
<b>Growth</b>	25 percent	25.8 percent	24 percent
<b>Median Household Income</b>	\$36,064	\$38,769	\$40,097
<b>5 year projection</b>	\$41,480	\$46,084	\$46,584
<b>Growth</b>	15 percent	18.8 percent	16 percent
<b>Median Age</b>	41.5	40.8	40.7
<b>5 year projection</b>	42.1	41.3	41.3
<b>Growth</b>	1.4 percent	1.2 percent	1.5 percent

estimated growth in median household income.

The average annual income of Washington County residents is projected to see an 18.8 percent jump, rising from \$38,769 to \$46,084. Jackson County is expected to see a 16 percent growth in this area, from \$40,097 to \$46,584, while Holmes County is close behind, rising 15 percent from \$36,064 to \$41,480.

Increased income is expected to generate increased area revenues, with total consumer expenditures projected to rise by an average of 25 percent.

Expenditures in Washington County will experience the highest

jump, from about \$373.6 million to \$470.2 million; Holmes County will rise from about \$291.7 million to \$365 million; and Jackson County will see a slightly smaller jump, from about \$697.5 million to about \$866.8 million.

Though Washington County remains among Northwest Florida's highest unemployment rate at 7.6 percent as of February, however, that number is considerably down from this time last year, according to Richard Williams of CareerSource Chipola.

"The latest unemployment numbers from the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity show

Washington County's unemployment rate has decreased about 1.4 percent over the last year," Williams said.

Holmes County's unemployment is currently 5.6 percent, down from 6.6 percent at this time last year, and Jackson County's unemployment rate is also down slightly, from 6.6 percent to 6.3 percent.

Williams expects that trend to continue, slowly, but steadily.

"Despite some continued clouds, the overall forecast for (Washington, Holmes, Jackson) and surrounding counties appears to be much brighter than what we've experienced in the last few years."

# WHTC announces new digital technologies

## Special to Horizons

The Washington-Holmes Technical Center campus is buzzing with new digital technologies. The Digital Audio Program and Digital Media/Multimedia Design programs made their debuts this year.

With so many shows like American Idol, America's Got Talent, the Voice, X-Factor, Nashville Stars, promising young talents have big dreams and new gateways to enter the performing arts business. However, not everyone who works in this industry sings or plays music, but there are a great many opportunities behind

the scenes in these booming businesses. There's a growing need for people to operate mixing or lighting boards, write script, set-up and tear-down for live shows and edit post production. An education in digital audio production will prepare students for career as a recording studio technician, film sound engineer, sound design artist, theater sound designer, multimedia developer or game audio designer. Jobs in audio production are also found in film studios, TV studios and other similar settings.

Students who enroll in the tech center's Digital Audio Production Program are provided hands-on

training on the state-of-the-art equipment, similar to that found in Nashville recording studios. Students will learn about software platforms used in sound mixing, how to set up sound boards, connect wires and cables, write scripts, interview community leaders and celebrities, broadcast events, and produce audio recordings.

The Digital Media/Multimedia Technologies Program provides the opportunity to use technical and design skills to create complete digital experiences that drive so many industries. Digital media is revolutionizing communications. This leading-

edge communications tool is demonstrating a remarkable capacity to convey information – no matter how intricate – effectively and powerfully.

Multimedia is the art form of the digital age. Multimedia melds electronic source material—graphics, audio, text and more into valid communications for websites, video or other media. Multimedia is also an important part of the business world, because of applications such as web-based e-commerce. Using software, individuals who know multimedia are at work behind-the-scenes designing and creating graphical, audio and text

communications for web pages, marketing collateral, advertising, instructional material and video projects.

Digital media and multimedia are areas in constant flux as new technologies and techniques are developed and added to the palette of virtual tools. If you're detail-oriented, creative and like to see the results of your work come to life, multimedia is an IT area you might like to pursue.

For more information about these amazing, new digital technology programs, contact Students Services at Washington-Holmes Technical Center at 638-1180 ext. 317.

## Road expansions, infrastructure improvement on the horizon

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Washington and Holmes counties are expected to see a lot of pre-planning action in the transportation and infrastructure departments within the next several months, primarily in the areas of State Road 79, State Road 77, south of Interstate 10.

SR 79 will be widened from I-10 in Holmes County to the Alabama state line, and SR 77 will be widened from one mile north of Wausau to just south of Clayton Road (County Road 276).

The project is part of a five-year work program outlining about \$300 million in new infrastructure projects in the Panhandle that is intended to increase capacity on state roadways that connect to I-10.

Holmes County will also soon see bridge replacements on Hicks Road over West Pittman Creek and Valee Road over Blue Creek.

In addition to the road expansions, Holmes and Washington counties are looking to improve and expand existing infrastructure in preparation for new industry through grants from the Northwest Florida Water Management District.

That funding — part of about \$10 million recently approved by the NWFWD — will be used mainly for the planning and engineering of utility expansion south of Interstate 10.

The city of Chipley received \$440,000 in grants, which officials say will help develop a strategic plan to improve Washington County's appeal to new industry.

"Our goal is to provide

water, sewer and gas south of the interstate to help promote job growth out there," Dan Miner, Chipley city administrator, said.

"When the economy was rolling pretty good a few years ago, we had a lot of interest in that area (from potential industry), but (lack of infrastructure) was one of the snags, and we just didn't have the funding to make that happen.

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Three Holmes County communities were also awarded NWFWD grants at the beginning of 2014.

The town of Esto was awarded \$149,690 to replace 4,850 feet of aging water line and reduce water loss.

The town of Noma received \$415,292 to replace 28,100 feet of their water distribution system and 25 fire hydrants, as well as to provide additional valve and meter installation to identify deficiencies in their water system.

The city of Bonifay was awarded \$268,900 to replace 4,590 feet of asbestos cement and a lead joint water main to reduce water loss and help protect the public and environment.

"This is very important to the future growth of our city," Mayor Lawrence Cloud said. "We've got to have our infrastructure in order in order to accommodate any future growth. If you don't have infrastructure you can't have growth."



PHOTOS SPECIAL TO HORIZONS

Pho Noodle and Kaboodle is at 2005 S. Waukesha St. in Bonifay, in the old Simbo's building.

## FRESH EQUALS SUCCESS

### Pho Noodle and Kaboodle couples exotic taste with down home hospitality

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**BONIFAY** — The Pho Noodle and Kaboodle restaurant brings a variety of Vietnamese flavors to Holmes County.

"We believe fresh, made to order food is the key to success," said owner Son Vo.

Vo and his family are originally from California but moved to Florida, opening Pho Noodle in

2012 to provide authentic Vietnamese food to the area. Pho Noodle and Kaboodle offers menu favorites such as: Beef Pho and spring rolls, Pork and Shrimp Fried Rice, Vermicelli w. Pork, Shrimp, & Eggroll, Sizzling Cube Steak, Thai Tea and more.

As a testament to the restaurant's commitment to freshness, each egg roll is freshly made and rolled carefully by hand, a house favorite that helped earn the popular eatery last year's "Business of the



Each egg roll is hand rolled.

Year" from the Holmes County Chamber of Commerce.

Pho Noodle and Kaboodle is at 2005 S.

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**WASHINGTON COUNTY**    **HOLMES COUNTY**  
**\$53,023**                      **\$8,250**

**Funds Distributed from Our 2012 Community Campaign**

- Leadership Giving requires great leaders with an understanding of community needs. Listed here are the top Workplace Campaigns for 2013 in Holmes and Washington Counties.*
- AT&T
  - ARC of Washington/Holmes Counties
  - Capital City Bank
  - City of Chipley
  - Doctors Memorial Hospital
  - Green Circle Bio Energy
  - Gulf Power
  - Holmes County Times-Advertiser
  - Kids World of Chipley
  - Lewis Bear
  - Northwest Florida Community Hospital
  - PAEC
  - Regions Bank
  - Trawick Construction
  - Tri-County Community Council
  - United Parcel Service
  - Walmart
  - Washington County Schools
  - Washington County Council on Aging
  - Washington County News
  - WestPoint Home

**HOLMES & WASHINGTON COUNTIES**

American Red Cross .....	\$2,058
ARC of Washington/Holmes .....	\$11,880
Bay Area Food Bank .....	\$1,524
Boy Scouts – Gulf Coast Council .....	\$1,365
Chipola Healthy Start.....	\$1,750
Covenant Hospice.....	\$4,422
Early Learning Coalition .....	\$1,600
Family Service Agency.....	\$1,772
Gulf Coast Children’s Advocacy Ctr .....	\$2,026
Habilitative Services of NFL .....	\$1,190
Life Management Center .....	\$1,175
Tri-County Community Council .....	\$6,277
Washington Cty Council on Aging .....	\$13,263

*The above figures reflect funds distributed through the grant applicaiton process as well as those designated to agencies serving Holmes and Washington Counties.*

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United Way of Northwest Florida is excited to share the 2013 Community Campaign and report on the funds distributed throughout the year in Holmes and Washington Counties. After all, these results belong to the communities we serve. The strength of United Way lies in connecting people and resources across our region to improve the very foundation of our community. We are very fortunate to have a broad range of partners, individuals and organizations who have willingly joined with us to advance our work in **EDUCATION, INCOME** and **HEALTH** throughout Bay, Calhoun, Gulf, Holmes, Jackson and Washington counties. Working together as volunteers, contributors, non-profit partners, corporate partners, government, and faith groups help us change lives and build stronger communities. We are especially proud of our partner agencies and the incredible services they deliver each and every day.

