Wausau prepares for CDBG administration of $600k grant

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WAUSAU - Fred Fox Enterprise was approved to administer the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) for Possum Palace renovation project when the Wausau Town Council met in regular session February 14.

The $600,000 grant will cover the costs of refurbishment of the Possum Palace to include stage doors, restrooms, and facilites. A Request for Proposals for engineering the project were also approved to be advertised.

Also at the meeting, National Displaced Workers grant was received by the town giving them the ability to hire three workders for a one year period. One position for a Hurricane Recovery General Office Worker has been filled by Kara Brown, leaving two positions for Hurricane Recovery Laborer open. The positions are full time and start at $15 per hour.

Requirements are applicants must be displaced due to Hurricane Michael or have been out of work for six months. The Wausau Town Hall to apply.

Due to the widening of State Road 77, the Dalton Carter sign located at S.R. 77 and Forest Dr. is set to be moved into storage until the council can determine the best place to relocate the sign.

The council will also be advertising for estimates on moving the Possum Monument and the Blue Star Highway Marker. Both are being moved due to the widening project as well.

In other items, council approved placing a weight limit on second revenue of 18-20 tons due to a failing culvert on the road.

Kevin Williams was approved to use the Possum Palace for parade, football practice. Athletic Director Joy Hall tendered her resignation and the council will advertise the position.

The Wausau Fire Department will be holding a fish fry from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on March 16. They will also host an Easter egg hunt the Saturday before Easter, April 20.

The Wausau Town Council will meet again in regular session at 6 p.m. on March 14.

Chipley eyes grant writer

By Jacqueline Roslick
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VERNON - A greenhouse at Vernon High School suffered enough damages that every day since the storm, agriculture and engineering teacher Kevin Shull and his class have worked tirelessly to make repairs.

Luckily, aside of shaking everything up, Hurricane Michael has also shaken the hearts of business owner Ricky Cureton Jr. and his team at Emerald Coast Professional Erectors.

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Lawmakers grapple with felons’ voting rights

By Dara Kam
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TALLAHASSEE — Any plan on averting a “jurisdictional quagmire” on Election Day, state House members Thursday began delving into what many state officials are calling ambiguities in Florida’s new pardon amendment that restores the right to vote for most felons who have completed their sentences. Those sentencing defects, approved by 64 percent of Floridians in November, exempts felons such as people who have committed “felony sex offenses” from automatic voting-rights restoration.

“Returning citizens,” as felons are called by backers of the amendment, began registering to vote Thursday, the day before the state’s presidential primary. The amendment allows individuals who have served their time to register to vote and to cast a ballot.

Some Republicans are aghast at the bill’s provisions. Senate President Bill Galvano, a Republican, has stated that the amendment doesn’t go far enough. The Florida Rights Restoration Coalition, feels the state amendment doesn’t go far enough.

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More than a moment; it’s an opportunity

The National Coalition Against Domestic Violence reports that 1 in 5 women and 1 in 7 men have experienced some form of sexual assault. One fourth of women and 1 in 5 men have been victims of domestic violence, which accounts for 25 percent of all violent crimes in the U.S.

During the recent government shutdown, the Violence Against Women Act, which provides funding for agencies that assists victims of domestic violence, was one of the casualties. Because funding has not been restored, and because all politics is local, that lapse puts organizations such as the Domestic Violence Project here in Canton, Georgia in jeopardy.

Now, government cannot and should not be a fairy godmother granting every wish. But it can and should serve the public in doing what people cannot do for themselves. Because Ernst is a U.S. senator with the power to act, she should understand, much more than many others, the need to support policies that assist victims of domestic violence.

For instance, the reason the vast majority of Americans are nonvoters today is in large part because millions of voters are tired of the do-nothing Congress who can’t — or simply won’t — solve the country’s most important issues.

Take immigration reform, please. It’s been 13 years since my father signed the Simpson-Mazzoli Act, which granted amnesty to about 2 million illegal immigrants and was supposed to reform U.S. immigration policy but never did become law.

Since 1860 Democrats and Republicans have done virtually nothing to fix the immigration or secure the border. At one point or another, they each have had control of both the White House and Congress and are still doing nothing.

The dirty secret everyone in Washington knows is that politicians in both parties don’t really want to solve the immigration problem.

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By Julia Pollak | ZipRecruiter.com

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And that growth was unusually broad-based, taking place across many subsectors. The 12-month manufacturing Diffusion Index, a measure of the breadth of job growth, rose from 42.1 percent at the end of 2016 to 80.9 percent at the end of 2018.

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By Kimberly C. Moore

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THE FBI reports that in 2017, there were nearly one and a half million burglaries in the United States, with property losses totaling $3.4 billion. Don’t become a statistic. Keep your home safe with these DIY security tips.

Lock exterior doors and windows. ‘Duh.

Surprisingly, as many as 30 percent of burglaries occur without forced entry. Leaving a door unlocked makes it simple for the most amateur thief to walk in and help themselves to your stuff. That’s a shame, when it’s so simple to lock up.

Change your locks as necessary. One of the best – and simplest – security tips is to change locks or combinations to all entry doors as soon you move in. Ditto if you’ve recently allowed access to a crew of, say, remodelers or health care providers. If you have workers coming and going on a regular basis, a smart lock will let you control/allow access when.

Secure your door with a brace. Even the best lock is useless if a crook successfully kicks down your door. This is a common method of forced entry, most often used on the back door since it’s less visible to neighbors passing by. Foil intruder wannabes by adding a door brace.

Reinforce the door jamb and hinges, as well. The cost to purchase a do-it-yourself “door armor” type kit is usually less than $100. All you need to install one is a few basic DIY skills, a drill, and a spare half hour — a truly worthwhile investment.

Don’t open up your home to just anyone. Here’s another of those oh-so-obvious security tips that many homeowners neglect. Use a good quality wide angle peephole or a digital viewer to see who’s at your door – and to check their credentials, if you don’t know them.

Monitor doors with a smart bell. A smart doorbell connects to an app for your phone or tablet. Its camera will show you who’s at your door, and you’ll be able to talk to them as if you are at home, even when you’re actually at work or on the go. (Yes, many thieves do ring the bell - not out of politeness but to check whether anyone’s at home before they attempt a hit.)

Install a security cam. While aDIY networked security camera won’t allow you to communicate with visitors, it will record footage of anyone approaching your home’s entry and let you keep tabs on your home from afar. If, despite your other precautions, you experience a break-in, you’ll have evidence to show the police.

Keep your garage doors closed. Open garage doors are an “open” invitation to burglary. Even if you’re nearby, you may not be aware of an unauthorized someone rooting around in your garage. An automatic garage door closer with a choice of timed settings is a great home security device. Or install a pass door in your garage door for easy access, so you won’t be tempted to leave it open.

Lock garage doors, too. Always lock your garage doors, as well as the hinging door that leads from garage to house. PS. Take this wise advice from garage door pros: Play it safe. Never leave your garage door remote in your car. And make sure the remote is equipped with today’s rolling code technology.

Clean up your yard. Trimming trees and shrubs reduces potential hiding places for someone casing your house for a robbery. Yard clean up minimizes the possibility that a thief will either make off with valuable household equipment left lying around (such as hedge trimmers or a stepladder) – or use it to help break into your home.

Utilise security lighting. Exterior security lighting, particularly motion sensor lights, will discourage any-one skulking around your houses after dark. Don’t forget interior lighting too – not just the hallway bulb which is a dead giveaway the house is empty – but lights you can remotely switch on and off from wherever you may be.

Laura Firszt writes for networx.com.
Together with their families, Heather Lynn Harrison and Justin Anthony Pelt, announce their upcoming marriage.

Heather is the daughter of Marie Krutz and Neal and Barbara Reeves of Bonifay. She is the grandaughter of Earl and Essie Krutz, Inez Yates and the late Michael Yates, Dale late Ethel and Betty Cutchfield, and Marie Reeves and the late Holon Reeves, all of Bonifay.

Justin is the son of Linda and arena Simms Reeves of Marianna. He is the grandson of Ann and Ethel Pelt, and the late coconut and Erma Pelt and the late Jerome and Pauline Turner, all of Marianna.

The wedding is planned to take place at 4 p.m. Saturday, March 2, 2019 at Jordan’s Barn in Kelly Creek in midcity City, with the reception following immediately.

If you would like your events included in this list, email information to: news@chipleypaper.com.

FWEL to host next game

CHIPLEY – Friends of the Washington County Libraries will host a book night from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., Thursday, February 28 at the First United Methodist Church. The event is open to all.

Games being played will be Bridge, Bananagrams, Dominos, Mahjong and others. Tickets are available for $10 per person. Tickets are available at all the branches of the Washington County Library System. The church is located at 2185 Jackson Avenue in Chipley. More info can be found at call Sarah Franklin at 850-615-0697.

FDOH to host lifestyle change program

BONIFAY – The Florida Department of Health – Holmes County (FDOH) to hold a Lifestyle Change Program at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, March 7 at the Holmes County Annex. There will be hold a Lifestyle Change Program at 5:30 p.m.

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C.H.I.P.S. selling coupon booklets

BONIFAY – The Holmes County High School (HCHS) JROTC to host a Sweetheart for a fun picture. The kissing booth is scheduled to take place from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., Thursday, February 21.

The kissing booth is set up at the Krutz Floral Center. For more information call Judy Holcomb at 850-703-0515.

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HOLMES COUNTIES - Mitchell is pictured in the center, surrounded by the VMS softball school football and other sports writer to cover high school and Holmes County Times. We are engulfed in it. Only will we get behind it, but we are not able to make all the local sporting events, but we welcome any help uncovering Holmes and Washington County athletics are recognized for their hard work! If you have sports photos or stats you’d like to share with your fellow fans, please send information to newj@chipesppaper.com.

2019 VERNON MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL SOFTBALL SCHEDULE

February

21 – Liberty Home (High School Only) 6 p.m.
22 – Franklin Away 4 p.m., 6 p.m.
25 – Graceville Home 4 p.m., 6 p.m.
26 – Grand Ridge Away (Middle School Only) 4 p.m.
28 – Malone Away 4 p.m., 6 p.m.

March

4 – Liberty Away (High School Only) 6 p.m.
5 – Chipley Away 5 p.m., 7 p.m.
6 – Holmes Home (Middle School Only) 5 p.m.
8 – Malone Home (High School Only) 6 p.m.
11 – Grand Ridge Home (Middle School Only) 4 p.m.
12 – Port St. Joe Home (High School Only) 6 p.m.
15 – Boazman Away (High School Only) 6 p.m.
16 – Wewa Away (High School Only) 6 p.m.
19 – Ponce de Leon Away (High School Only) 6 p.m.
21 – Chipola Away (High School Only) 6 p.m.
22 – Franklin Away (Middle School Only) 4 p.m.
26 – Franklin Away (High School Only) 6 p.m.
28 – Malone Away (High School Only) 5 p.m.
29 – Ponce de Leon Away (High School Only) 6 p.m.
30 – Holmes Away (Middle School Only) 5 p.m.
31 – Chipley Home (High School Only) 5 p.m.

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19 – Bethelton Away (High School Only) 5 p.m.
21 – Chipola Away (Middle School Conference Tournament) TBA
22 – Franklin Away (High School Only) 6 p.m.
25 – Port St. Joe Away (High School Only) 4 p.m.
26 – Bethelton Home (High School Only) 5 p.m.
27 – Cottondale Away (Middle School Only) 5 p.m.
29 – Franklin Away (High School Only) 5 p.m.
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31 – Port St. Joe Away (High School Only) 4 p.m.

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By Steve Megargee

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The Associated Press

No. 5 Tennessee looks to correct mistakes after lopsided loss to Kentucky

By Steve Megargee

Tennessee coach Rick Barnes calls a play during the second half of the Volunteers’ 91-85 loss to No. 1 Kentucky on Tuesday. Tennessee is trying to avoid its 14th consecutive loss, which would match the longest skid in school history. The Commodores had a 14-game losing streak that began in the 1935-36 season and carried over to 1936-37. "We’re knocking on the door," Drew said. "We’re just trying to knock it down soon."

Tennessee’s Grant Williams, left, shots while pressured by Kentucky’s Reid Travis during the second half Saturday in Lexington, Ky. The Wildcats were 80-69. (AP Photo/James Ackerman)
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CHS FBLA storms district in a big way

By Diane M. Robinson
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CHIPLEY - Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) from Chipley High School made a big showing at district competition last month at Chipola College by bringing home seven first place wins.

Under the leadership of President Elizabeth Kiwalaby the team has excelled this year and she is honored to be in that position.

"It is my senior year and my last as president," said Kiwalaby. "As I watch my team excel to the next level is a honorable position to be in. This school year has been the most fulfilling yet."

Thirty-six students competed in computer-based testing in 20 categories ranging from business law to cyber security. Only one student competed in a presentation category, Kiwalaby, who placed first in client services. CHS FBLA members placed in the top three in 19 of the 20 categories, in the process, achieving seven first place winners, seven second place winners and five third place winners.

Sponsor Sharon Roberts says she is proud of the hard work her students have put forth to prepare for competition.

"We have 43 members and of those 36 competed," said Roberts. "I am so proud of these kids and all of their hard work."

Roberts, who has been over FBLA for the last five years is sad to see her seniors leave but is excited about the freshmen that have come aboard.

"Although I am sad to see my seniors leave that have been with me since the beginning," said Roberts. "I am confident in the freshmen that are picking up the torch. They have jumped right in and began thriving and have done great jobs."

Currently FBLA members are studying for state competition which will be held March 21-25 in Orlando. The top three students in each category are eligible for state competition, in total CHS will have 20 students competing at state level.

Roberts says that FBLA teaches valuable life lessons, the most important is that of compromise.

"At these students go out into the world and find jobs, they will learn that compromising is one of the most important things they can do," said Roberts. "Learning how to work together and how to get along and make changes that are selfless, is the best way to learn compromise. This is the most important lesson I hope my students take from FBLA."

In order to raise funds to go to competitions, FBLA hosts fundraisers to help cover part, if not all, of the associated costs. In March, CHS will have 20 students competing at state level.

$375 per student for state competition, those fundraisers are important. Donations are also accepted for anyone that would like to help.

Checks can be written to Chipley High School FBLA and dropped off at the office. Roberts says she wants to make a difference and is hoping she does just that.

"I truly hope I am making a difference in these students’ lives," said Roberts. "I am just so proud of all they have accomplished and will accomplish in their very bright futures."
China accuses US of trying to block tech development

By Joe McDonald
The Associated Press

BEIJING — China’s government said Wednesday it was in a “trade war” with the United States, accusing the country of trying to block the industrial development by alleging that Chinese information and communications technology (ICT) companies are being forced out of Western markets.

The U.S. accused China of forcing out Huawei Technologies, saying the company has forced out foreign competitors and that there are security risks to using its equipment. The U.S. said Huawei was a threat to national security.

“The U.S. government is trying to block our industrial development after Vice President Mike Pence, speaking last month in Beijing, accused Huawei and other telecom suppliers and equipment makers that are security threats to the U.S. At the time, Pence said Huawei and other Chinese telecom equipment makers provide "access to any enterprise, including their network or equipment," to "reject any enterprise that would compromise the integrity of access communications technology or our national security systems."

In what could amount to a turning point for the U.S. effort to isolate Huawei, Britain’s National Cyber Security Centre has found that the risk of using its networks is manageable, according to the Financial Times and several other British media outlets.

The reports cited sources saying as far as the U.S. is concerned, Huawei is a threat to national security and that the U.S. is moving to block Huawei’s access to markets for its 5G networks.

The British government has said its call to review its policies of its partner’s new 5G networks with Chinese and American companies is closing in on a decision. Officials in Washington, D.C., have stepped up their efforts to make sure European allies will not buy Chinese goods.

The U.S. Vice President Mike Pence, speaking last weekend in Germany, urged European allies to take seriously “the threat” he said was posed by Huawei as they look to the new 5G networks.

The 5G technology is meant to vastly expand the reach of networks to support internet-linked medical equipment, factory machines, self-driving cars and other devices. That makes it more politically sensitive and raises the potential cost of security failures.

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World stocks mostly rise

Singapore – World stocks mostly rose on Monday ahead of more trade talks between Chinese and American officials in Washington this week.

After Asian markets closed, European indexes were mostly higher. The CAC-40 gained 0.3 percent to close at 5,685.44, but the DAX in Germany was flat at 11,219.20, Britain’s FTSE 100 fell 0.2 percent to 7,310.47. Wall Street was due to remain closed for President’s Day.

On Friday, China and the U.S. announced plans to resume trade negotiations in Washington, fueling hopes that both countries were edging toward a deal.

“We feel we have made headway on very important and difficult issues,” U.S. Trade Representative Robert Lighthizer said in a meeting with Chinese President Xi Jinping.

Xi expressed hope for “a mutually beneficial and win-win agreement,” according to the official Xinhua News Agency.

Negotiators had just wrapped up two days of talks in Beijing. A truce expires March 1 and will leave the U.S. free to impose more than double import tariffs on $200 billion in Chinese goods.

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After Asian markets closed, European indexes were mostly higher. The CAC-40 gained 0.3 percent to close at 5,685.44, but the DAX in Germany was flat at 11,219.20, Britain’s FTSE 100 fell 0.2 percent to 7,310.47. Wall Street was due to remain closed for President’s Day.

On Friday, China and the U.S. announced plans to resume trade negotiations in Washington, fueling hopes that both countries were edging toward a deal.

“We feel we have made headway on very important and difficult issues,” U.S. Trade Representative Robert Lighthizer said in a meeting with Chinese President Xi Jinping.

Xi expressed hope for “a mutually beneficial and win-win agreement,” according to the official Xinhua News Agency.

Negotiators had just wrapped up two days of talks in Beijing. A truce expires March 1 and will leave the U.S. free to impose more than double import tariffs on $200 billion in Chinese goods.

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What parents should know about opioids and kids

By Melissa Ericken

Opioid abuse and addiction are frighteningly real issues especially for parents, who often have a conflicting relationship with the painkillers. While parents are concerned about allowing their kids to use opioids, nearly two-thirds of parents believe their kids to use opioids to feel that they are the most effective treatment for managing pain after surgery or a broken bone, according to a nationwide survey commissioned by the American Society of Anesthesiologists.

“Prescription opioids are among the most effective and efficacious available to treat pain,” said Connie Monitto, an assistant professor of anesthesiology and critical care medicine at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine. “They are normally prescribed only when pain cannot be adequately treated by other medicines alone. While generally safe when taken as directed, opioids should only be used when needed as they can cause side effects and be habit-forming with long-term use.”

In recent years, there’s been a steady decline in opioid prescriptions for children and teens. “Between 1994 and 2007, the number of visits to a doctor’s office that resulted in opioid prescriptions for adolescents nearly doubled, but data suggests that the prevalence of prescription opioid use among children has been trending downward since 2010,” Monitto said. “While this could be related to increased awareness of the risk of opioid addiction, Monitto said, “we don’t know that for sure.”

Alternatives exist

Parents should know that safe and effective alternatives to opioids are available and should work with their child’s physician to discuss options as well as side effects and risks. “When a child is in pain from an injury, disease or recent surgery, parents should talk to their child’s physician about what they should expect in terms of the severity and duration of pain and try to set realistic goals for managing it,” Monitto said. Sometimes over-the-counter medicines like Motrin or Tylenol work well enough, Monitto said. Alternatives that should be included in pain management plans to enhance comfort and reduce the need for opioids include numb- ing medicines, cool and warm packs, meditation, walking and a variety of physical therapy, Monitto said.

In other cases of moderate to severe pain, opioids are a necessary and valuable tool, she said.

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Prescription medicines should be stored in a locked location where others cannot easily access them. They should not be shared with other people and when they are no longer needed, they should be disposed of,” Monitto said.

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FAITH

WASHINGTON COUNTY CHURCH LISTINGS

If you would like your Washington County Church listed here, please send information to newspaper@chipleypaper.com. Due to space limitations, please only send regular church services. For special services, please send separate submissions.

Assembly of God

Corbin Road Assembly of God
Morning Worship is at 10 a.m. Evening Worship is at 6 p.m. Wednesday services are at 7 p.m. The church is located on 105 Corbin Road in Chipley.

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Country Oaks Baptist Church
Morning Worship is at 11 a.m. Bible Study is at 6 p.m. Wednesday services are at 6 p.m. The church is located at 1300 South Boulevard, Chipley.

Grace Assembly of God
Morning Worship is at 10 a.m. Evening Worship is at 6 p.m. Wednesday services are at 7 p.m. The church is located on North Main Street, Chipley.

New Bethany Assembly of God
Morning Worship is at 10 a.m. Evening Worship is at 6 p.m. Wednesday services are at 7 p.m. The church is located at 335 South Main Street, Chipley.

New Life Fellowship Assembly
Morning Worship is at 10 a.m. Evening Worship is at 6 p.m. Wednesday services are at 7 p.m. The church is located on State 39 north of Highway 298 at Hines' Crossroads.

Union Chapel Assembly of God
Morning Worship is at 10 a.m. Evening Worship is at 6 p.m. Wednesday services are at 7 p.m. The church is located at 3395 Cemetery Lane, Chipley.

Washington County Baptist Church
Morning Worship is at 10 a.m. Evening Worship is at 6 p.m. Wednesday services are at 7 p.m. The church is located on 40th Street, Chipley.

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Washington Church of God
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West Chapel Baptist Church
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Yet to Come

Inside each of us is the generation before. We carry the genes, teachings, and traditions of those before us. It is part of who we are. Respect what has been passed to you and know that all you do and all you will live on in another generation yet to come. We create the future from the past.

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VIVIAN L. YATES

**Sunday School** is at 9:45 a.m. in Vernon. Worship is at 5 p.m.

**Unity Baptist Church**

Located on Highway 79 in Caryville, just three miles south of High-


**Salem Free Will Baptist Church**

Located at 4156 Sunny Hills Boulevard in Caryville, Florida.

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**CHURCHES**

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**New Hope United Methodist Church**

Morning Worship is at 10 a.m. Morning Worship is at 11 a.m. Evening services are at 7 p.m. The church is located on 173 in Graceville.

**Church of Christ**

Morning Worship is at 11 a.m. Morning Worship is at 11 a.m. Evening services are at 7 p.m. The church is located on Sunny Hills Boulevard in Chipley.

**Evangelistic**

Morning Worship is at 11 a.m. Morning Worship is at 11 a.m. Evening services are at 7 p.m. The church is located on 1590 Highway 279 near Five Points.

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IMMUNIZATION ACTION COALITION

Vaccine storage too often fails to meet standards

By Carol Daniel

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