

City Commissioner charged with obstruction of an officer



Bennie Thomas, Live Oak City Councilman District 2.

John Willoughby: *Greene Publishing, Inc.*

On Friday, April 20, a Florida Highway Patrol (FHP) trooper was dispatched to the scene of a single-vehicle crash involving a City of Madison Commissioner and Live Oak City Councilman and left by issuing a notice to appear in court.

According to a report by the FHP, Trooper Llanes was dispatched to the crash around the area of Gooseberry St., and Gladioli Dr., in Lee. When he arrived, he

observed a white Ford F-250 on the right shoulder of the roadway, facing west. Both passenger tires were in the ditch, and a Certified Towing tow truck was parked on NE Gooseberry Rd. with a tow cable attached the F-250.

As Trooper Llanes approached the vehicle, he spoke with Rayne Cooks, City of Madison Commissioner, who was sitting in the driver's side of the pickup truck and talking with an insurance company, on the phone. A male

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Rayne Cooks, City of Madison Commissioner District 1.

City employee arrested on grand theft

John Willoughby: *Greene Publishing, Inc.*

At the beginning of May, a City of Madison employee was arrested on grand theft after stealing two items from city inventory and illegally placing an invoice under the City of Madison's name.

On Tuesday, April 24, Madison City Manager Sarah



Darrell Lashawn Graham

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Two teams; one dream



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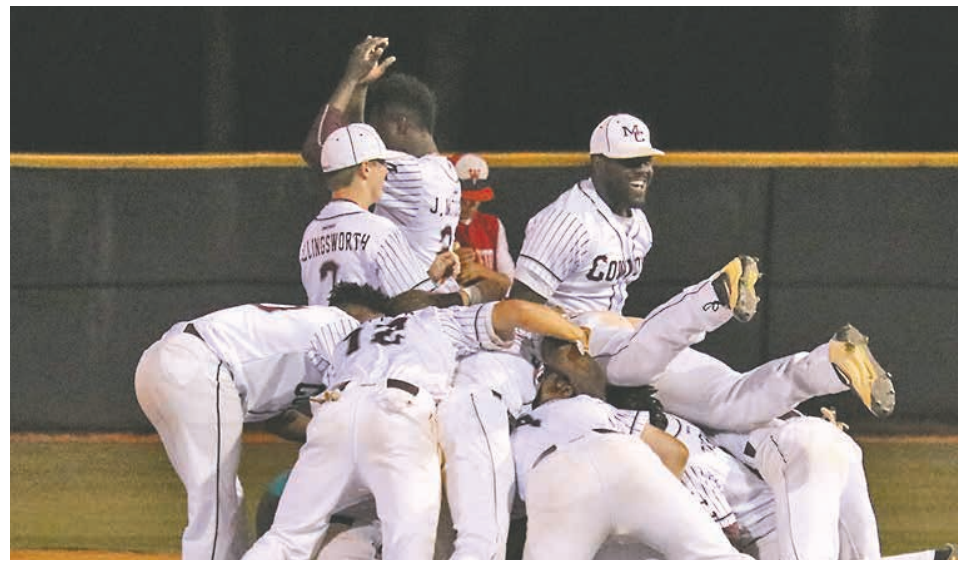
"Ten toes in!" The Cowgirls huddle up after punching their ticket to Vero Beach for the State Semi-final game.

Rick Patrick: *Greene Publishing, Inc.*

In a school year that has already seen history-making seasons from the football and boys' basketball teams, the Madison County High School (MCHS) Cowgirls softball team are the latest team with a chance to make history. For the first time since 2013, the Cowgirls are in the Final Four in the state softball tournament. In 2013, the Cowgirls made it to the championship game, only to be defeated by Gulliver Prep by a 9-1 score.

The Cowgirls' path to the Final Four this year has been one with its share of challenges. The Cowgirls made their way into the 16-team tournament by way of a second place finish in Class 1A District Five. This meant the Cowgirls were going to have to win on the road. The first round had the Cowgirls facing off against the defending State Champions, the Lady Tigers of Union County. Despite

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Greene Publishing, Inc. Photo by Rick Patrick, May 9, 2018

The Cowboys celebrate a dramatic victory!

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It was a game that will certainly live for many years in Cowboy lore. In the bottom of the seventh inning of the Region Semi-final game against the Red Devils of Williston High School on Wednesday, May 9, the Cowboys had a 4-0 lead, and it seemed that everything was in control. Just get three outs, and everyone in the packed stadium could go home. However, due to some unfortunate calls that did not go the Cowboys' way (not a complaint, that's part of baseball) and a couple of uncharacteristic errors, the bases were loaded with Red Devil base runners. A runner was walked in, putting a run on the board for the Red Devils. Then another run comes across the plate, still leaving the bases loaded. Then it happened. A deep fly ball that sails over the left-field wall; a grand slam home run. The score was now 6-4 in favor of the Red Devils.

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Greene Publishing, Inc. Photo by John Willoughby, May 4, 2018

On Friday, May 4, at approximately 4:03 p.m., a collision between a semi-truck and a car occurred near the intersection of Harvey Greene Dr. and Commerce Dr., resulting in one being transported to Tallahassee Memorial Hospital with injuries.

Car vs. Semi on Harvey Greene Drive

John Willoughby: *Greene Publishing, Inc.*

On Friday, May 4, at approximately 4:03 p.m., a collision between a semi-truck and a car occurred near Stahl-Meyer meats at the intersection of Harvey Greene Dr. and Commerce Dr. One person was injured as a result of the wreck.

According to a report by the Madison Police Department, Sandra Rivero Rodriguez, 31, of Live Oak, was traveling northeast on Harvey Greene Dr. when she approached a curve too fast, possibly distracted by the use of a cell phone. As a result, Rodriguez failed to remain in her proper lane and collided with the front-end bumper of Jerry Lee Pickles' 2016 Mack truck. Both vehicles were disabled as a result of the collision.

Rodriguez was transported by Madison County EMS to Tallahassee Memorial Hospital. Pickles, 66, of Crawfordville, declined the service of Madison County EMS. Rodriguez was found to be at fault and was charged with driving too fast for conditions.



DASH your way to lower blood pressure

Whether you are trying to control high blood pressure or working to reduce your risk of high blood, following the Dietary Approaches to Stop Hypertension (DASH), is a proven meal plan to lower blood pressure. May is National High Blood Pressure Education Month, so consider a proven strategy to help reduce high blood pressure. Consumers are often confused by products on the market that claim to reduce blood pressure, and many over the counter products are not researched and proven



Diann Douglas

to be effective. A research-based meal plan, DASH has studies with proven results to reduce blood pressure.

Conducted in the early 90's, DASH was a scientific dietary study to determine if a diet plan without medication could reduce blood pressure. The study was funded by the National Institute of Health and conducted at Harvard, Duke, Johns Hopkins, and Louisiana State University. Results showed that both men and women eating the DASH plan experienced a significant drop in both their systolic and diastolic blood pressure readings.

The DASH eating plan is a well-balanced diet incorporating all five food groups; emphasizes fresh fruit and vegetables and low-fat dairy products. It recommends a moderate intake of total fat and is low in saturated fat and cholesterol. It also recommends reducing salt and sodium intake.

Starting on the DASH eating plan is easy. It requires no special foods and no recipes to follow. Here are some tips to help you get started:

- Make gradual changes like adding a serving of fruit or vegetables at lunch and dinner.
- Gradually increase your intake of fat-free and low-fat dairy products to three servings a day.
- If you eat large portions of meat, cut them back by a half or third at each meal.
- It only takes six ounces of meat each day to meet your protein requirements so eat less; three ounces are equal to the size of a deck of playing cards.
- Try two or more meatless meals each week. A combination of a grain and bean will give you the same eight essential amino acids as meat or chicken.
- Try serving casseroles and stir-fry dishes, which have more vegetables, grains and dry beans, but watch the sodium content of ingredients.
- Eat baked or grilled fish during the week, but limit bottled marinades. They are often high in sodium.
- ◆ Eat fresh fruit, raw vegetables, or low fat and fat-free yogurt for snacks.
- ◆ Use herbs and spices to enhance the flavor of foods.
- ◆ Eat out less. Restaurant foods are very high in sodium, sometimes giving you more than a day's worth of sodium.

Make one or two changes each week. Eat a variety of foods and cut back on serving sizes. For more information about the DASH eating plan and recipes, visit the NHLBI's "Your Guide to Controlling High Blood Pressure" at www.nhlbi.nih.gov.

If you are under a doctor's care for high blood pressure, be sure you take your medication and follow the doctor's recommendations. Your efforts to reduce sodium intake will help your overall health.

For more information on ways to lower blood pressure, contact the Madison County Extension Service.

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Passing Parade: *Coming for your home!*

Nelson A. Pryor: *Guest Columnist*

Coming soon to a cinema near you will be a movie, *Little Pink House*. It is about Susette Kelo, and her struggle to keep her house in New London, Connecticut, and then, her loss confirmed at the doors of the Supreme Court of these United States.

Urban Renewal

There was a federal spending program called "Urban Renewal." It allowed cities to take one's private property, because it was in a "neighborhood of 'blighted' buildings," and transfer it to others. The Supreme Court accepted New London's argument that virtually erased the Constitution's circumscription of government's "eminent domain" power. 545 US 469 (6/23/2005) This used to be limited by the notably explicit Fifth Amendment, which says: "nor shall private property be taken for public use, without just compensation (emphasis added). The Constitution's Framers intended the adjective "public" to do what the rest of the Bill of Rights does: limit government's power.

Government was limited and could only take private property for the purpose of creating things—roads, bridges, tunnels, public buildings—directly owned by government or primarily used by the general public.

The Big Stretch!

But in 1954, to facilitate slum clearance, in Washington City, the concept of "public use" was stretched to encompass eradicating "blight," an expansion exploited nationwide by corporations in cahoots with city governments that found blight in cracked sidewalks or loose awning supports.

George F. Will, in his April 19, 2018 *Washington Post* 19a article: *Little Pink House* movie dares to speak truth to power," and gives credit to the Institute for Justice (IJ) for its defense of private property rights, said: "To seize Kelo's pink house, New London did not assert blight. Instead, it argued 'public use' is synonymous with 'public benefit,' and the public would benefit from Pfizer paying more taxes than would Kelo and her neighbors."

James Blair

Should one be able to bust the United States Constitution, by taking off the burden of limits, just because such resulting unlimited government



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You want to save private property from government? Mrs. Virginia Fuller, Tallahassee, joins with Billy Washington, Madison Clerk of Courts, to make their point.

would be beneficial to someone? Congressman James Blair, of South Carolina, explained the results of taking off the limits placed there, by the action of the States, which resulted in their ratification of the instrument. In the Feb. 1, 1831, *Register of Debates* 558-9, Twenty first Congress, First Session. Blair took on the problem of the "poor people of Georgetown," and proved that the Congress had no power to give them any wood. An important milestone in preserving our government, in Washington City, from the destruction of nullification, which would have caused a war between the States at that time.

Fane Lozman

Down in the City of Riviera Beach, County of Palm Beach, Fl., Fane Lozman, won his battle against the taking of his private property. Even after the city had destroyed his private property (a house boat), The United States Supreme Court, in 2012, declared that federal admiralty law could not be applied to that taking. A victory for the rights of private property. Feb. 26, 2018, *Washington Post* pp. 1 & 6.

The Movie

The movie has just debuted in New London, where governmental economic planning ended predictably badly; Pfizer came, exhausted its subsidies, then departed, leaving a vacant lot where the pink house once stood.

View the trailer (iam.ij.org/LPHtrailer) and consult watch. LittlePinkHouseMovie.com to learn about showings elsewhere.

From the sunny side... *English teachers*



Rick Patrick

This past week has been "Teacher Appreciation Week." I can think of few professions more deserving of appreciation than that of teaching. Just like anyone reading this, I owe a huge debt of gratitude to some very special teachers. In fact, the number of teachers and mentors I have encountered over the years and the lessons learned from them far outpaces the amount of room I have in just one newspaper. However, there are three teachers for whom I am grateful every time I sit down to write anything. They are Mrs. Estic Rollings, Ms. Gwen Faulkner and Mrs. Glenda Hamby.

Mrs. Rollings was my English teacher when I was in the 10th grade. Mrs. Rollings had this wonderful "habit" of using big words. Whenever one of us would ask what she meant by saying we were being "facetious," her response was always the same, "Look it up in the dictionary." I remember we had the assignment of memorizing the famous speech from Shakespeare's *Julius Caesar*. You know the one, "Friends, Romans, countrymen, lend me your ears, blah, blah, blah." I was determined to put my budding acting skills to use and not merely recite the speech. As I look back now, it probably wasn't all that good. But Mrs. Rollings knew what I was trying to do and her response was one of true encouragement. Not long after I began working here at the newspaper, I made it a point to send her a message, thanking her for making such an impact and for holding me to a high standard. She seemed to be genuinely appreciative of my message.

Many of you remember Gwen Faulkner from the time she spent working at North Florida Junior College (as it was called at the time). However, Gwen's (in later years, I was allowed to call her Gwen) biggest impact on me was when she was my English teacher during my junior year in high school. I distinctly remember the first day of school in her class. She told us, "In this class, you will do four things. You will write, you will write, you will write and then you will write some more." She was not exaggerating in the least. One of her more famous writing assignments was to write detailed instructions on making a peanut butter and jelly sandwich. She went to great lengths to emphasize the word "detailed." The next day, when we entered the class, there was a table with a loaf of bread, a jar of peanut butter, a jar of jelly and utensils. We then took turns attempting to make a peanut butter and jelly sandwich using the precise directions other students had written. The result was one of laughter and a good lesson learned. Gwen, probably more than anyone else, opened my eyes to the beauty of words and the many ways in which they can be used. I think of her fondly each time I make a peanut butter and jelly sandwich.

Mrs. Hamby was one of my mom's "bridge club buddies." Therefore anything that took place in her class, my mother was likely to hear about. Mrs. Hamby was another teacher who would not allow a student to merely "get by." In Mrs. Hamby's senior English class, we were able to do more creative writing, which allowed me to further explore using words to paint pictures from my imagination. Granted, the stories I wrote in that class were not likely to win a Nobel Prize in Literature, but the exercise further opened my eyes to the power of words.

These are only three of the many dedicated teachers I have known in my life. These three, and many others had one thing in common. They had a belief in me, even when I struggled to share that same belief in myself; and they never let me settle for anything less than my best.

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Obstruction

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subject was also nearby, later identified as Bennie Lee Thomas, Live Oak City Councilman. The trooper began to ask Cooks what led to the crash when Thomas abruptly began to explain what had happened. According to the report, Thomas stated that the truck had shut off, steering became hard, and the truck went into the ditch. Trooper Llanes again asked Cooks what happened and she stated that the truck shut off and went into the ditch. The trooper observed significant damage to the ground wire of the power pole, consistent with damage to the truck's mirror.

A passer-by who stopped on scene due to the number of vehicles in the roadway advised Trooper Wright that Cooks was the Mayor of Madison, which was misleading; as she was now a former Mayor. Trooper Wright notified a supervisor due to the high-rank of Cooks position. According to the report, Cooks made several statements to Thomas, such as: "I told you we shouldn't have called," and another comment, stating "This is why people don't call y'all."

At the scene, only a small plastic part of the truck mirror was located. Cooks advised that she was only going 15 mph. According to the report, Trooper Llanes noted the amount of damage on the vehicle was not consistent with the speed she stated she was traveling. During the investigation, as Trooper Llanes was trying to locate the passenger-side mirror of the truck, a person who lived close by came to the scene and asked Thomas if he was okay. The neighbor informed Troopers Llanes and Wright that he observed the incident and when he went to check on any possible occupants, of the vehicle, he saw Thomas exiting the truck and no other occupants.

As the investigation continued, Cooks asked how long the investigation would take. Thomas stated that Cooks has a business to tend to and they needed to go. Trooper Llanes was informed that she has a funeral home and works for the City of Madison as a commissioner. Trooper Wright informed his supervisor of her proper position within the city. Thomas also advised that he was a city councilman, out of Live Oak.

Before proceeding, Trooper Llanes asked Cooks if she was sure she was the driver; her response was in the affirmative. Trooper Llanes informed Cooks that he was going to read her miranda warnings, as he was now done with the crash investigation and was now conducting a criminal investigation.

According to the report, at approximately 1:22 p.m., Trooper Llanes read Cooks her miranda warnings. While he was reading the warnings, Cooks stated: "I know my rights." The trooper proceeded to read the warnings and Cooks acknowledged that she understood her rights. The trooper then asked what led to the

occurrence of the crash. According to the report, Cooks stated that she was traveling westbound and the "truck cut off." She was unable to steer the truck, and it ran in the ditch, hit the pole and tore the mirror off.

At approximately 1:28 p.m., Trooper Llanes then read Thomas his miranda warnings. The trooper asked Thomas if he could state what led to him being on the scene. Thomas began to state that he was there because of the crash. Trooper Llanes then asked Thomas who notified him of the crash. As he was beginning to explain, he stated "Well, I called her when it –" Thomas stopped mid-sentence, and then stated, "Well, she called me." The trooper asked who called who and Cooks stated that she called him and then he called her. Thomas stated that he was at the house when Cooks called him, then he went to the crash site. He also informed Trooper Llanes he lived six miles east of where the incident occurred.

According to the report, while Trooper Llanes interviewed Thomas, Cooks began making remarks such as, "Be careful, he might shoot you."

After Trooper Llanes obtained sworn statements from Cooks and Thomas, he asked them if they were married, to which Cooks replied, "Does it matter?" The trooper inquired again because of the different last names and addresses on their licenses, to which she stated, "We are common law married."

During the investigation, a witness waved Trooper Llanes to where he was and stated that he had found a mirror with damage consistent with the damage on the truck. The witness pointed to a power pole just east of where the incident scene was. When Trooper Llanes walked to that scene, there were clear signs that a truck had run off the road into the ditch.

Due to the totality of circumstances and the witness' statements, Trooper Llanes issued Cooks, and Thomas notices to appear in court for resisting without violence. Trooper Llanes requested Cooks to sign the notice. She then stated she was not going to sign it. Trooper Llanes informed Cooks that if she refused to sign the document, she was going to be placed under arrest. Cooks was then asked to put her finger print on the notice, and she stated she wasn't going to do so. When the finger print pad was presented to her, she stated: "I don't want to put that s*** on my hand." Trooper Llanes then stated Cooks purposefully touched the paper in a rapid manner and smudged the finger prints. After multiple times of instructing her to correctly stamp her fingerprint, she finally did. Thomas fingerprinted the notice without an issue.

Both Cooks and Thomas are scheduled to appear before Judge Bailey Browning on Monday, June 18, at 12:30 p.m., in the Madison County Courthouse.

Theft

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Anderson informed the Madison County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) that City of Madison Purchasing Agent Darrell Lashawn Graham, 43, of Greenville, had placed an invoice under the City of Madison's name that was unauthorized. The invoice was for a trenching machine rental for the Graham's personal use, estimated to be for \$280. The rental was from March 21-23.

During the investigation by MCSO, the City of Madison verified that a trenching machine was rented for personal use by

Graham. Graham was placed on suspension with pay until further investigations were completed.

It was later found that a water meter, valued at \$45, was stolen by Graham; as well as a backflow valve, valued at \$185. Both the stolen water meter and backflow valve was used at his home for personal use.

On Tuesday, May 1, Graham was arrested on grand theft of over \$300, but not over \$5,000, and tampering with a witness. Graham was released that same day, and his employment with the City of Madison was terminated.

Cowgirls

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committing four errors, the Cowgirls were able to advance with a 5-2 victory over the Lady Tigers.

The game was tied at one run apiece at the end of the first inning. The Cowgirls added one run in the fifth inning, then opened their lead with three runs in the seventh inning. The Lady Tigers managed to score one more run in the bottom of the seventh inning, but the Cowgirls were able to hold on for the win.

Laila Dickey went three-for-four at the plate, with one RBI. McKenzie Miller had one hit in two at-bats, with one RBI. Jocelyn Davis went one-for-three, driving in two runs. Reese Rutherford had one RBI with a sacrifice hit.

Rutherford went the distance on the mound for the Cowgirls, giving up four hits, no earned runs racking up 14 strike-outs and walking just one batter.

Next up for the Cowgirls was a trip to Hilliard on Tuesday, May 8, to face the Red Flashes of Hilliard High School. The

Cowgirls went up early, leading the Red Flashes, 2-1, at the end of the first inning. The Cowgirls had another 2-1 advantage during the third inning, bringing the score to a 4-2 Cowgirl lead. The rest of the game was a defensive struggle, with neither team able to score. The game ended with the Cowgirls on the winning end of a 4-2 final score and the Cowgirls preparing for a trip to Vero Beach.

Halie Wetherington had one hit in four trips to the plate, with one RBI. Amber Reed went one-for-four, with one RBI. Kaylee Groover also had an RBI via a sacrifice bunt.

Rutherford turned in another impressive job on the mound for the Cowgirls, giving up four hits, one earned run, striking out nine and walking one.

The Cowgirls will now travel to Vero Beach for the state semi-final game on Wednesday, May 16 at 2:20 p.m. The Cowgirls will face the Lady Tigers of Trenton High School. The Lady Tigers come into the semi-final game with a 25-3 record. Information regarding the webcast of the game can be found at www.fhsaa.org.

Cowboys

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Could the home team Cowboys come back from this set-back and progress to the next game in the state tournament?

The Cowboys established early dominance in the game, thanks to tremendous pitching from Dilan Lawson, as well as great defensive play from other Cowboys; notably Jae Mitchell at first base and Logan Lepper at third. The game was a defensive struggle for both teams until the third inning when the Cowboys scored three runs. The Cowboys added one more run in the fifth inning to set up their 4-0 lead going into the seventh. In the bottom of the seventh inning with their backs to the wall, the Cowboys managed to tie the score at six with two runs. This took the game into extra innings.

The game remained knotted at six runs apiece until the bottom of the ninth inning with two outs and Dustin Bass at second base when senior Drew Annett stepped up to the plate. Only young Annett knows just what was going through his mind. Would this be his last at-bat as a Cowboy? That question was soon answered in a

definitive way when he ripped a walk-off base hit into the outfield, allowing Dustin Bass to race across home plate for the winning run. Annett would indeed have a chance to step up to the plate again as a Cowboy.

Annett went three-for-four at the plate, with two RBIs. Lepper had one hit in his four at-bats, with one RBI. Mitchell was one-for-three at the plate, with two RBIs.

Dilan Lawson pitched for 6.1 innings, giving up four hits, three earned runs, three walks and striking out ten batters. Dylan Bass and Drew Herring came for relief and combined for 2.2 innings pitched giving up two hits, three earned runs, four walks and striking out four.

with the 7-6 win, the Cowboys move on to the Regional Championship game on Tuesday, May 15, at Cowboy Field. The game will be a rematch of the District Five Championship game between the Cowboys and the Hornets of Lafayette County High School. The first pitch is set for 7 p.m. at Cowboy Field. A large crowd is expected, so it would be wise to arrive at the stadium early.

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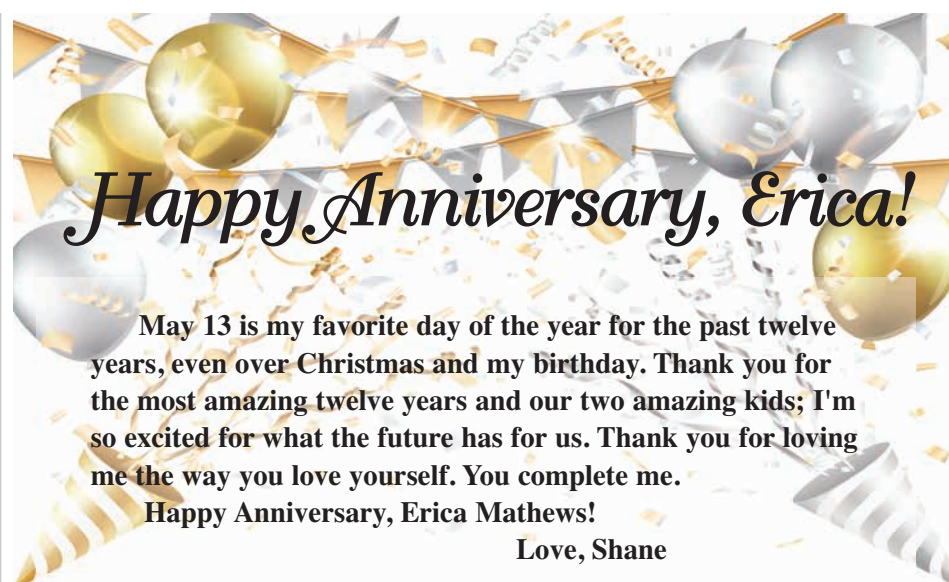
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Thank You

The family of Vernal A. Webb would like to thank everyone for their thoughts, prayers, phone calls and support through this difficult time. Thank you as well to those who gave food, flowers, cards and much more. The support was much appreciated during this difficult time.

Sincerely,
The family of Vernal A. Webb



Happy Anniversary, Erica!

May 13 is my favorite day of the year for the past twelve years, even over Christmas and my birthday. Thank you for the most amazing twelve years and our two amazing kids; I'm so excited for what the future has for us. Thank you for loving me the way you love yourself. You complete me.

Happy Anniversary, Erica Mathews!
Love, Shane

Come join the fun...

Greene Publishing, Inc. invites everyone to **Business After Hours** at their newspaper office

Emerald G. Parsons: *Greene Publishing, Inc.*

Mark your calendars for the upcoming Tuesday, May 15 Business After Hours. This month's event will be hosted by *Greene Publishing, Inc.*, located at 1695 South SR 53, in Madison.

Greene Publishing invites everyone to visit from 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday evening, and enjoy good (green) food, good fun, and good fellowship.

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"Business After Hours" is a popular social and networking event offered in a casual, comfortable atmosphere. The events will be held monthly at different office locations, of a Chamber member. Guests will be able to mix and mingle, eat and drink, and take a walk-about or guided tour of the business facility. It's an opportunity for Chamber members to form relationships, which strengthen community bonds.

So, mark your calendar for Tuesday, May 15 and be sure to join your friends and neighbors at the *Greene Publishing* newspaper office from 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. (Green) refreshments will be served, and door prizes will be given.

"Business After Hours" events are free and open to the public.

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Hudson honored at appreciation lunch



Photo Submitted

On Monday, May 7, the City of Madison held an appreciation lunch in honor of Tony Hudson, who has been serving the City of Madison as a Natural Gas Tech II from September of 2010 to May of 2018. The City of Madison expresses their gratitude to Hudson for a job well done and wishes him luck in his future endeavors. Pictured, from left to right, are: Mike Smith, Tony Hudson, and Eddie Thompkins.

Community Calendar

If you would like to have anything added to the community calendar, please email Rick Patrick at rick@greenepublishing.com or give us a call at (850) 973-4141.

May 11

The Madison Kiwanis Club will sponsor a Celebration of Mothers on Friday, May 11, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. at Sumpter James Park on Martin Luther King Dr., in Madison. Valuable information on reducing stress, parenting, safety, healthy eating and more will be available. There will also be free gifts and prize give-aways.

May 14

The Madison County Democrats will hold their meeting on Monday, May 14 at 5:30 p.m. in the Madison County Public Library, located at 387 College Loop, in Madison.

May 19

There will be a "20th of May Jubilee Celebration" at the Madison County Recreation Center on Saturday, May 19. The event will feature a parade at 10:30 a.m. plus vendors, live entertainment, food trucks, games and more. For more information, contact Ozie Richardson at (850) 464-0073 or e-mail madisonrecassociation@gmail.com.

May 20

New Generation Missionary Baptist Church will be holding a three night revival beginning on Sunday, May 20 through Tuesday, May 22. Rev. Oliver Bradley welcomes guest speaker, Rev. Delvin Boatman. The revival will be held outside of the church, under a tent. New Generation Missionary Baptist Church is located at 457 SW Range Ave., in Madison.

May 22

The Madison County Republican Executive Committee will next meet on Tuesday, May 22 at the Madison County Library at 7 p.m. Guest speaker will be Matt Caldwell, candidate for Commissioner of Agriculture. Everyone is welcome.

May 24

There will be a Spaghetti Supper fundraiser for the Madison County High School (MCHS) Vaquero Guard band on Thursday, May 24 from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. at the MCHS cafeteria. The fundraiser is for the purchase of much needed band uniforms. Dinner includes spaghetti, sides, drink and dessert. Tickets are \$8 and may be purchased from any band member, at the church office of the First United Methodist Church (FUMC), or at the front office of MCHS. Tickets are limited and are available on a first come first served basis. Some tickets may be available at the door. The fundraiser is being carried out with the assistance of the FUMC United Methodist Women.

Hometown Hero

George Willis

George Willis is a Madison County resident and a World War II (WWII) veteran, who served in the United States Army. Willis was just a junior in high school when WWII broke out. During this time, Willis entered into the Civil Service and began studying radio electronics.

When Willis entered his senior year of high school, he was drafted in to the United States Army Air Corps (now known as the United States Air Force [USAF]). Willis was sent to basic training at Keesler Air Base in Biloxi, Ms. and attended tech school in Lincoln, Ne., where he later worked as an aircraft and engine mechanic. Willis was then transferred to Victorville Air Base, in California, where he worked on P-39 aircraft



and later, B-17 and B-25 bomber aircraft.

Willis took the opportunity to apply for and was accepted for an opening at Andrews Air Base, in Washington D.C., working on planes for high-ranking Generals, such as General Hap Arnold. The war ended in 1945 and Willis was discharged from the USAF in 1946.

Willis came back to Florida after he was discharged and later moved to Texas, where he took advantage of the G.I. Bill and went to school, studying education. Willis made his way back to Florida, working in real estate until he retired in the late 80's. Willis is currently active in the Madison Kiwanis Club with his wife, Jo Willis.

If you would like to nominate someone to be honored in our Hometown Hero spotlight, call John at (850) 973 - 4141

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Eyes: Blue
Tattoos: Numerous
Wanted for: Violation of probation/grand theft III

Kayla D. Grantham

The Most Wanted is published every Friday in the *Madison Enterprise-Recorder* and will include an individual from Madison County's active warrant list or a wanted person believed to be in Madison County.

If you have any information concerning any of these crimes, or know the whereabouts of the wanted individual, please contact one of the following agencies: Madison County Sheriff's Office at (850) 973-4001 or the Madison Police Department at (850) 973-5077.

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Jail Report May 2 - May 8

May 2

Randal Durrah – Hold for court
Earnest Finklea – Escape
James Burkes – No valid driver's license

May 3

Antonio Hires – Violation of probation/possession of a controlled substance
Justice Renyolds – Escape

May 6

Keron Pride – Possession of a controlled substance without a prescription, violation of probation
Christopher Sapp – Kidnap, false imprisonment 13 years of age or above, felony battery domestic strangulation, grand theft firearm, battery domestic violence

Sabrina Turnquest – Introduction of contraband into a detention facility
Ronny Givens – DUI third consecutive, battery on a law enforcement officer, lewd/lascivious exhibition of genitals, driving while license suspended – fifth consecutive

Thomas Morgan – Operating a motor vehicle with a cancelled/suspended/revoked driver's license
Rashon Johnson – No valid driver's license

Kimberly Pearson – Battery on an officer/firefighter/EMT/etc., disorderly intoxication, resisting officer (obstruction) without violence
Kayosha Roberson – Burglary to a structure, criminal mischief

May 7

Luretha Ealy – Violation of probation O/C felony petit theft, possession of drug paraphernalia (2 cnts.)
Cleveland Bell – Violation of probation/circuit - burglary of a dwelling

May 8

Breosha Fead – No valid driver's license
Calvin Johnson – Violation of injunction, trespass of an occupied structure

May 5

Sandra Gee – Disorderly conduct, battery on a law enforcement officer, resisting officer with violence, trespass
Nicholas Johnson – Battery/spouse simple
Ladonna Cooks – Trespass property other than structure

The Bush Wealth Advantage

Our column, "The Bush Wealth Advantage" is our way of giving back to the community with all sorts of insights, relevant news, and practical wealth planning strategies.

The different types of IRAs

This popular retirement savings vehicle comes in several varieties

What don't you know? Many Americans know about Roth and traditional IRAs, but there are other types of Individual Retirement Arrangements. Here's a quick look at all the different types of IRAs:

Traditional IRAs (occasionally called deductible IRAs) are the "original" IRAs. In most cases, contributions to a traditional IRA are tax-deductible: they reduce your taxable income, and as a consequence, your federal income taxes. Earnings in a traditional IRA grow tax-deferred until they are withdrawn, but they will be taxed upon withdrawal, and those withdrawals must begin after the IRA owner reaches age 70½. I.R.S. penalties and income taxes may apply on withdrawals taken prior to age 59½.

Roth IRAs do not feature tax-deductible contributions, but they offer many potential perks for the future. Like a traditional IRA, they feature tax-deferred growth and compounding. Unlike a traditional IRA, the account contributions may be withdrawn at any time without being taxed, and the earnings may be withdrawn, tax-free, once the IRA owner is older than 59½ and has owned the IRA for at least five years. An original owner of a Roth IRA never has to make mandatory withdrawals after age 70½. In addition, a Roth IRA owner may keep contributing to the account after age 70½, so long as he or she has earned income. (A high income may prevent an individual from making Roth IRA contributions.)

Some traditional IRA owners convert their traditional IRAs into Roth IRAs. Taxes need to be paid once these conversions are made.

SIMPLE IRAs are traditional IRAs used in a SIMPLE plan, a type of retirement plan for businesses with 100 or fewer workers. Employers and employees can make contributions to SIMPLE IRA accounts. The annual contribution limit for a SIMPLE IRA is more than twice that of a regular traditional IRA.

SEP-IRAs are Simplified Employee Pension-Individual Retirement Arrangements. These traditional IRAs are used in SEP plans, set up by an employer for

employees, and funded only with employer contributions.

Spousal IRAs really do not exist as a distinct IRA type. The term actually refers to a rule that lets non-working spouses make traditional or Roth IRA contributions as long as the other spouse works and the couple files joint federal tax returns.

Inherited IRAs are Roth or traditional IRAs inherited from their original owner by either a spousal or non-spousal beneficiary. The rules for Inherited IRAs are very complex. Surviving spouses have the option to roll over IRA assets they inherit into their own IRAs, but other beneficiaries do not. No contributions can be made to Inherited IRAs, which are also sometimes called Beneficiary IRAs.

Group IRAs are simply traditional IRAs offered by employers, unions, and other employee associations to their employees, administered through trusts.

Rollover IRAs (occasionally called conduit IRAs) are IRAs created to store assets distributed from another qualified retirement plan, often an employer-sponsored retirement plan. If the original plan were a Roth, then a Roth IRA must be created for the rollover. Assets from a non-Roth plan may be rolled over into a Roth IRA, but the rollover will be viewed as a Roth conversion by the Internal Revenue Service.

Education IRAs are now mainly referred to by their proper name: the Coverdell ESA. A Coverdell ESA is a vehicle that helps middle-class investors save for a child's education. Taxes are deferred on the assets saved and invested through the account. Contributions to a Coverdell ESA are not deductible, but withdrawals are tax-free, provided they are used to pay for qualified higher education expenses.

Consult a qualified financial professional regarding your IRA options. There are many choices available, and it is vital that you understand how your choice could affect your financial situation. No one IRA is the "right" IRA for everyone, so do your homework and seek advice before you proceed.



Kent Patrick

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Vicki Donaldson Washington has a lot to be thankful for. Her son, Brian Ponder, has overcome numerous obstacles and is doing just fine, and Washington will soon celebrate her first anniversary of marriage to her husband, Bernard Washington. Through the early years of parenting, Washington learned to celebrate small victories as her son battled health issues, including epilepsy. Ponder made the most of his early limitations by learning to cook under the watchful eye of his grandmother, Lola Donaldson. Ponder has perfected his culinary talents and has been blessing the plates of family and friends for years with his delightful delicacies.

Washington has thoroughly enjoyed raising Brian and watching him "develop into his own little person." Ponder has been on medication that has successfully eliminated epileptic seizures and is now proudly allowed to drive a vehicle.



Photo Submitted

Vicki Washington is a Madison native who enjoys her son's fine cooking and a good book. Washington is employed at Madison Creative Arts Academy as their Media Specialist, Testing Coordinator, and Transportation Coordinator.

Washington was so pleased that her son could now travel freely around town without requesting a ride

from others. Little did she know that Ponder was not only "getting around town," but he was also driving all over Florida and Georgia, enjoying his new found freedom. Now that the shock of this recent development has worn off, Washington is pleased that her son is navigating the busy interstates with no problem.

Washington is employed with Madison Creative Arts Academy as their Media Specialist, Testing Coordinator, and Transportation Coordinator. When she isn't busy with work, Washington enjoys curling up to a good book and spending time with her husband, Bernard Washington, and his children: Bernard, Jr., Torrance, Tony, Dominic, Denitra, and Terri.

Washington still attends the church she grew up in, Jeslamb AME Church, in Madison. Her son has inherited his mother's love of books and has memorized the books of the Bible and the major themes of each book. "He's a chip off the block," said Washington with a proud smile.

Alison Arngrim remembers her mom of many voices

Story Submitted

Children raised by entertainers don't always follow in their parents' footsteps. But Alison Arngrim did, finding fame overnight at the age of 11 playing bratty Nellie Oleson in the hit NBC series *Little House on the Prairie*.

Arngrim's parents were captivated by the entertainment industry in their native Canada. Her father, Thor Arngrim (1928–2009), began working in theater and later became a Hollywood manager to entertainers such as Liberace and Debbie Reynolds while her mother, Norma Macmillan, (1921–2001) was best-known as a voice actor. She was, according to Arngrim, delightfully eccentric.

"They were both crazy show business folk," said Arngrim, from Los Angeles, laughing loudly.

"She was the voice of Casper the Friendly Ghost (in the 1963 series *The New Casper Cartoon Show*, Gummy in *The Gumby Show*, and Davey in *Davey and Goliath*. And she was Sweet Polly Purebred in 112 episodes of *Underdog*."

Those voices and others often made it home when young Alison asked for a bedtime story, which was never conventional.

"She didn't know any of the usual ones. Instead, she tended to retell plots of movies or historical dramas. I remember a favorite about Czar Nicholas, Alexandra, their hemophiliac son and their friend Rasputin – which was a hell of a bedtime story for a six-year-old. Another featured a cowgirl with crazy friends. It was years before I realized she'd been describing the movie plot to 'Cat Ballou.'"

While young children of actors can initially find it confusing to see a parent on television, Arngrim readily accepted it.

"My mother took me to the studio a few times when I was very little, so I saw what she did, and she explained it. She was in all the Saturday morning cartoons which I thought was great. She

had a very distinctive, almost childlike high-pitched voice which was perfect for cartoons."

Mother's Day gifts were also a little unusual for Alison.

"I had the weirdest Mother's Day gift list. She loved the opera, so there I was, a 10-year-old in a record store, asking for specific opera company recordings of *Die Fledermaus* or *Der Rosenkavalier* – it was hysterical."

Not surprisingly, says Arngrim, even her mother's funeral was unique.

"She left pages of explicit handwritten instructions for her funeral which were so hilarious that the priest actually read them during the eulogy," recalled Arngrim. "She was an Episcopalian, and they would usually sing 'Abide with Me', but her instructions read 'I cannot abide 'Abide with Me', and she left a list of acceptable hymns.'"

Norma's death from an intestinal blockage was sudden and naturally devastating to the family. "True to form, she had not complained, but was obviously much sicker than we knew."

Her wish was to be cremated and the ashes scattered in the Strait of Juan de Fuca off the coast of Canada (Victoria), a region her mother



Photo Courtesy of Alison Arngrim



Photo Courtesy of Alison Arngrim

would often travel to by seaplane and tugboat and stay in remote island cabins doing research for a book *The Maquinna Line* published after her death.

"We had tickets to fly up to Vancouver on Sept. 12, 2001. We were half packed, and the morning of Sept. 11 comes, all flights are grounded. So my mother remained in a box until next June when we took a yacht to the area with friends, a priest, and a bagpipe player. It was a fabulous ceremony."

Even though her mother was unconventional, Arngrim still has high praise for her.

"She didn't do many of the normal mother things. But she was still a loving, kind and good mom – exciting and different, like having a fascinating, historical character as your mother. She may have been Norma Macmillan professionally, but when she'd pick me up from school, she was always Norma Arngrim."

Arngrim is the author of the best-selling biography *Confessions of a Prairie Bitch* and currently tours with a presentation of storytelling and stand-up. She will be appearing on Mother's Day at the Laurie Beechman Theatre in New York City (her official web site: www.howiegreen.com/alison).

Nick Thomas teaches at Auburn University at Montgomery, Al., and has written features, columns, and interviews for over 700 magazines and newspapers. See www.tinseltown-talks.com.



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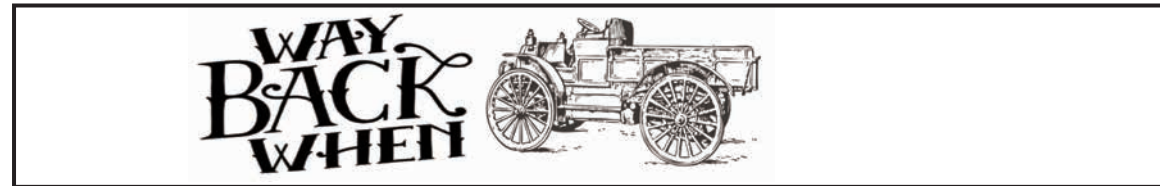
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60 YEARS ago

May 9, 1958

Miss Ida Jane Pickels, of Greenville High School, has been chosen to attend Girls' State in Tallahassee. She is sponsored by the Greenville American Legion Auxiliary.

Wayne Weger, Jr., and Vicki Page were king and queen at the May Fete last Friday. Escorting them were Harriet Gandy and Charles Dickey.

Mrs. J.J. Sale, Jr. and Mrs. S.L. Brothers were hostesses Saturday evening at Mrs. Sale's home at a buffet supper complementing Miss Wanda Hood. Sixteen guests found their places at tables in the rooms. A three-course menu was served. Decorations emphasized the bridal theme. Mrs. Sale's gift to the honoree was a coffee maker, and Mrs. Brothers gave her silver in her pattern.

May 10, 1968

Miss Gloria Gay bride-elect was honored Thursday evening at a miscellaneous shower given by Mrs. Luther Roth, Mrs. Joe Peavy, Mrs. James Pearce and Mrs. B.F. Killingsworth. The Florida Power Corp lounge was the setting for the party. The lace-covered refreshment table held the punch bowl balanced by crystal candelabra with pink candles. Other decorations were in the bride-elect's wedding color of pink. Mrs. Carlton Wells and Miss Sandra McLeod assisted the honored guest in the opening and displaying her many attractive gifts.

Mrs. Lamar Patrick, of Greenville, attended the May Fete at the Woman's Club Wednesday afternoon. Her granddaughter, Debbie Rains, was a member of Miss Jean's Kindergarten, performing in the Fete.

Seventeen month old German Shepherd Bama of Buena Vista Farms, Madison, owned by Mr. T. M. Howerton won best of breed in the all-breed dog show in Ft. Pierce Sunday. Eighty-five German Shepherds competed in the event. Bama also won second place in the working group. She was handled by Douglas Crane, of Merritt Island. The pup was sired by 1965 Grand Victor of Germany, and International Champion, whose name is Hanko V.D. Hetchmule.

May 12, 1978

Sheriff Joe Peavy reported that two young men from Valdosta and Albany drowned in the deep and cold waters of Blue Springs in Madison while exploring the myriad of underwater caves. The body of one was recovered by Jacksonville divers on Wednesday night, and the other was recovered on Thursday morning. Two friends of the victims, uninjured, reported the tragedy.

The Madison Kiwanis Club is sponsoring their first annual Peach Festival Parade in downtown Madison, on Saturday, June 3, to kick off their Peach Festival activities for this year.

Shawn Jordan, an eighth grader at Madison Middle School, was second runner-up in the regional spelling bee held in Jacksonville, on April 29. Twenty-two contestants participated in the spelling bee which was televised on Channel 7. The word Shawn missed was "glissade." Shawn was presented with a trophy, a plaque, a World Almanac, dictionary, a stereo and a \$50 savings bond.

May 11, 1988

Mr. and Mrs. L. Robert Andrews of Madison announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Jenny Lynne, to K. Douglas Brown, of Madison, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Robert Brown of Weatherford, O.k. Lynne is a counselor at Madison County High School. Doug is the director of counseling at North Florida Junior College. The wedding will take place on July 2, at 11 a.m. at the First United Methodist Church, in Madison. There will be a reception following in the fellowship hall.

The faculty at North Florida Junior College annually vote on a graduating sophomore as Student of the Year. Based on outstanding records at NFJC in academic areas, extracurricular activity, and student leadership the selection process is usually a simple task. This year was an exception: two students tied for the honor. Nanette Herndon, of Madison and Susan Hastings, of Lamont were both named Students of the Year.

May 8, 1998

Joe Robinson has signed to play football on a full scholarship at Valdosta State University, under head coach Mike Kelly. Robinson was one of the key Cowboy football players this year to help the Cowboys win another district championship. He played on both sides of the ball. On offense, he was one of Jake Kinard's key receivers; and on defense, he was the opposing team's worst nightmare as he played strong safety.

A ribbon cutting and grand opening was held Thursday, April 30, for the new Four Freedoms Health Clinic annex. Physician Ali Akbar and Registered Nurse Practitioner Nita Fico have moved into a wing of Johnson Bibb's office on Hancock St. Visitors to the grand opening enjoyed refreshments and a tour of the new facility.

40 YEARS ago

30 YEARS ago

20 YEARS ago



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Children dancing around the Maypole - Madison County, Florida 1907.



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Railroad bridge between Madison and Suwannee counties - Ellaville, Florida 1880s.



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Madison County Memorial Hospital - Madison, Florida 1950.

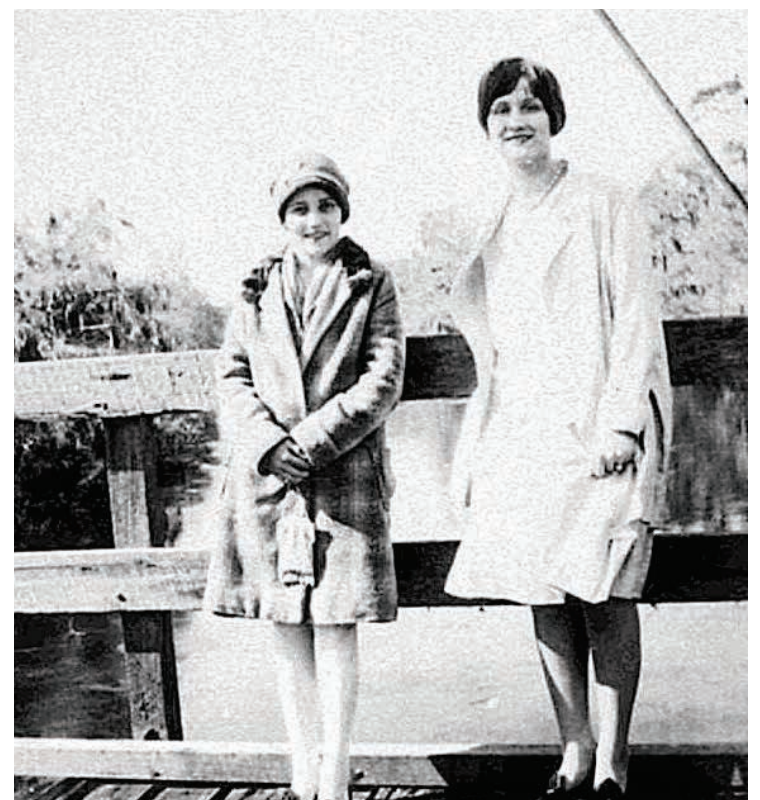



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Ladies on a Sunday afternoon excursion - Madison County, Florida 1929.



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Now is the time to prepare for the storm

Rick Patrick: *Greene Publishing, Inc.*

There is an old saying that is popular with local Emergency Management Director, Alan Whigham, "Those who fail to plan are planning to fail." With the beginning of Florida's hurricane season only a couple of weeks away, now is the time to prepare a plan for you and your family.

Whigham recently released the following statement for the citizens of Madison County:

"As the start of Hurricane Season is just days away, Madison County Emergency Management encourages you to take the steps NOW to prepare for this season's storms. It is important for all residents of Madison County to prepare ahead of time with disaster kits, evacuation and shelter planning. For more information on what to put in your kit and how to plan for evacuation, visit www.floridadisaster.org or call the Madison County Emergency Management Office. Emergency Management utilizes our CODE RED system for county wide notifications during storm related events. Those who are not already signed up for CODE RED can do so by logging into www.madisoncountyfl.com and following the CODE RED prompts at the top

of the page. If you need assistance with setting up your CODE RED account or with generating an action plan, please do not hesitate to contact us here at the Emergency Management Office."

- In addition to signing up for CODE RED, everyone should have on hand a disaster kit that includes the following:
 - First aid kit and prescription medicines
 - At least one gallon of drinking water per person per day for five days
 - Enough canned, non-perishable food to last five days, snacks, non-electric can opener, and paper plates/plastic utensils
 - Flashlights and a radio with extra batteries
 - An extra supply of cash (bank ATM machines may be inoperable in a widespread power outage)
 - Important papers, such as copies of insurance policies, Social Security cards, etc., in a waterproof container
 - Pet care items with identification and immunization records

For more information on how to keep you and your family safe before and after the storm, please contact the Madison County Emergency Management Office at (850) 973-3698.

Florida faces early tropical storm

Lazaro Aleman: *Greene Publishing, Inc.*

Florida, along with other southern states, can expect persistent storms and the threat of an early tropical impact this summer, according to AccuWeather, a media company that provides commercial weather forecasting services worldwide.

AccuWeather is forecasting that a barrage of showers and thunderstorms will target the Southeast beginning in June, with Florida expected to bounce back from its severe drought conditions. "They're going to see some more action across the peninsula throughout the summer, which is good for them," said Paul Pastelok, AccuWeather's expert long-range forecaster. "I don't see any dry conditions developing like we saw a couple of years ago." On the downside, Pastelok said, the heavier storms will pose a risk of flooding, with the Tennessee Valley and central Gulf coast facing the greatest threat.

Meanwhile, the entire southern region will be at risk of an early tropical storm, he predicted.

"The last several years we've seen early tropical hits," said Pastelok. "I don't see anything against that this year. Whereabouts? That's a tough call. Anywhere is possible along the Gulf coast this year."

If a tropical system does impact the region, it will most likely be a tropical storm, which would pose a greater risk for flooding rainfall, he said.

Pastelok had this to say about other parts of the country:

- Northeast and mid-Atlantic states: Expect a bit of every kind of weather, from heat to humidity and severe weather, with a few hot periods taking hold, although not persistently. "I think there's going to be surge later in June when we really start to feel some heat here in the Northeast," said Pastelok. "But will it stick around the whole summer? I don't think that's going to happen."

- Ohio Valley, Midwest, central/northern Plains: Expect temperatures to bounce up and down throughout the summer, with a short-term high heat blast in June. "June, I think, will be the month for the severe weather in the northern Plains," said Pastelok. "It could linger a bit into July, but it will take a break before coming back in August."

- Southern plains: Expect to be gripped by intense heat and severe drought, with June possibly having one of the top-five hottest on record for the region, spelling bad news for cattle ranchers and consumers alike.

"The Plains drought could have an effect on agriculture and grazing for cattle," said Pastelok. "The grass is not going to grow as much, so farmers are going to end up spending more on feed."

- Southwest and California: Expect a high fire threat as heat and dryness build. "The fire threat in both places will arrive early then remain high for a good part of the summer before rainfall increases into July and August," said Pastelok. Flash flooding is also possible for the interior Southwest and the central Rockies around the

midpoint or latter half of the season as precipitation increases.

- Northwest and Rockies: Expect typical summer weather to transpire, following a typical pattern of a late spring and early summer that remain mostly wet and cool. "The transition to warmer and drier summer weather won't arrive until later in the season," said Pastelok, adding that as the warmth increases, it is possible that drought conditions could develop, resulting in the threat of fires from late summer and into the fall.

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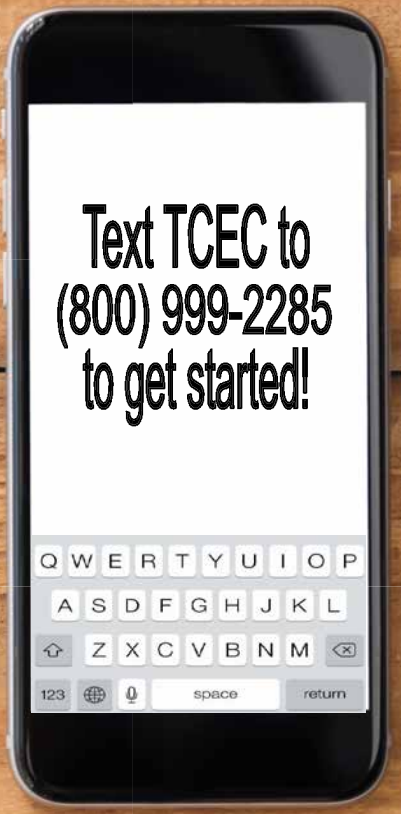
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A regular guy's journey... beginning



Rick Patrick

There is an old Chinese proverb that says "a journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step." I have taken that crucial first step of a journey that hopefully won't take a thousand miles, although it may take a lifetime. This journey has its roots going back many years, but we can move up a bit.

A couple of months ago, I was covering a basketball game in Perry and wanted to move to the end of the court to get some photos from that angle. The most direct path was blocked, so I had to step up on the bleachers to get by. Apparently, I stepped awkwardly with my left leg, and suddenly I felt my knee "pop." Immediately I had a sharp pain in the back of my knee. I was still mobile, so I went on and continued to cover the game and take photos. For the next couple of weeks, my knee was occasionally sore, but it was tolerable. Then one weekend, the pain became much less "tolerable." I decided professional medical attention was needed.

I found out about Family First Wellness Clinic with Dr. Perkins here in Madison, and I made an appointment. By the time of my appointment, the knee pain had subsided some, but it was still enough of a hindrance that something needed to be done. Dr. Perkins spent a couple of minutes examining my knee, suggested a couple of steroid shots (which worked wonders on my knee) and then addressed, head on, the 800 pound gorilla in the room. I was overweight (I think the term used was "obese"). Without a big "guilt trip" or judgment, Dr. Perkins simply spelled out what I could look forward to if some changes were not made. Blood pressure medication, possible diabetes, heart problems, etc. were all on the list.

Dr. Perkins asked what my typical meals were like. For me, breakfast is

usually a bowl of oatmeal or cream of wheat with butter and honey or a bowl of cereal. That was okay, although I should be careful of too much sugar. Lunch is usually a sandwich at Subway or Norris Cafe, either tuna or chicken salad with chips and a diet drink. That passed the "Perkins test." Then he asked about supper. I was honest (no need to try and pull anything over on a doctor you are paying to try and help you) and told him "usually fast food, a hamburger, or something convenient." Followed by a frequent bowl of ice cream or cookies. Throw in the regular candy bar on the way home, and it's no surprise the weight and waistline has expanded over the years. That is where the major change needed to take place. "Instead of that candy bar, eat an apple," said Dr. Perkins. He gave me a fairly simple diet plan and told me he wanted me to get at least 15-20 minutes of exercise every day. That sounded simple enough, and in the month since then, I've dropped 15 pounds. Remember what was said about a single step?

Why am I sharing this? The answer is simple. I can imagine there are many who have found themselves in similar shape. My plan is to share what might be working well for me, and what might not be working. I'm not some fitness or nutrition expert; I'm just a regular guy. Perhaps being a regular guy, might give someone something to which they can relate.

So, look for this column every month in our *Health and Wellness Guide*. I'll let y'all know how I'm doing and what I'm doing on my journey toward better health. I won't try to tell anyone how to live their life, I'll just give you a glimpse into this part of my life; the life of just a regular guy, trying to make it better. If it somehow helps someone else, then I can honestly say "mission accomplished." Who wants to take this journey with me? Any journey is more pleasant with friends to join along, right? I can't say exactly what might happen along the way, but it's my prayer that the final destination will be healthier and happier friends. Stay tuned.

New online resource helps Floridians find transportation

Story Submitted

When older adults stop driving, they may worry about losing their independence. Now, a University of Florida (UF) and Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Safe Mobility for Life team wants to help them find transportation options so they can get to medical appointments, go shopping, head out with friends, or travel wherever else they want to go.

UF and FDOT have launched the website *FindaRideFlorida.org*, which features transportation options in all of Florida's 67 counties.

"We know that a lack of transportation can have a big impact on physical and mental health. We want people to continue to meet their daily needs, participate in their communities and do the things they enjoy," said Sandra Winter, Ph.D., OTR/L, the UF team's project leader and the associate director of the Institute for Mobility, Activity, and Participation, or I-MAP, housed in the department of occupational therapy at the UF College of Public Health and Health Professions.

Site users indicate their starting location and can select other search filters, including purpose of trip and special needs, such as wheelchair accommodations. Search results list the various transportation providers in that geographical area, along with details on cost, reservation requirements, service hours and contact information. Providers include traditional taxi companies, public transportation, nonprofits and ride-hailing services.

"Everyone's mobility needs are unique, and by providing our aging population access to more transportation options, it will help older adults remain independent and connected to their communities," said Gail M. Holley, FDOT Safe Mobility for Life program manager.

The site's design features address the needs of users with low vision, and the site offers links to resources for screen readers that read the content aloud.

While *FindaRideFlorida.org* was developed with older adults in mind, the site is open to users of any age. UF and FDOT first began offering an online transportation database in 2004. The newly launched *FindaRideFlorida.org* offers several technological upgrades over the previous database, including the use of geographic information system mapping to make the site more accurate and user-friendly.

The GIS data captured by *FindaRideFlorida.org* could also inform state transportation policy, said Sherrilene Classen, Ph.D., M.P.H., OTR/L, director of I-MAP and a professor and chair of the UF department of occupational therapy.

"Find a Ride data enables public transportation agencies and decision-makers to respond to transportation gaps more effectively, leading to better, more equitable public transportation service planning and delivery to benefit the most vulnerable populations in Florida," said Classen.

Ultimately, Classen said, the goal is that transportation options in Florida pass the "ice cream test," an idea proposed by Joseph F. Coughlin, Ph.D., the founder, and director of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology's AgeLab. "If an older adult desires to have an ice cream cone at 9 p.m. on, let's say, a Thursday evening, they should be able to obtain just that, via user-friendly alternative transportation services," said Classen.

In addition to Winter and Classen, UF's *FindaRideFlorida.org* development team includes Ilir Bejleri, Ph.D., an associate professor of urban and regional planning in the UF College of Design, Construction, and Planning who led the geographic information system mapping component; Jason Rogers, web and database developer, and Donna Schoenfelder, database assistant, both in the department of occupational therapy; Marni Fowler, a junior mapping developer at the College of Design, Construction and Planning; and senior developer Nathaniel Wingfield, formerly of the College of Design, Construction and Planning.

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The friendly nursing staff at Little Pine Pediatrics is ready to meet the needs of their patients with the skill, expertise and excellence that make a visit to their office a pleasant experience. Pictured, from left to right, are: Melissa Nash, A.R.N.P.; Briffany Bishop, A.R.N.P.; Wendi Brannen; Lindsay Fudge, L.P.N.; Ashley Walden, L.P.N.; and Angela Culpepper, A.R.N.P.



Photo Submitted

Melissa Nash began her medical career as an Emergency Medical Technician when she was 18 years old. Having spent most of her career in emergency rooms, Nash has seen her share of excitement. Pictured, from left to right, are: Seth Nash, Melissa Nash, Clint Nash and Sam Nash.



Photo Submitted

Lindsay Fudge has been in nursing for 11 years and she loves working with kids. Helping children ignites her passion for the job and makes everyday a new adventure, even when she has her hands full.

Little Pine Pediatrics nurses love helping others

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Children are challenging when they are feeling good, but they can be especially difficult when they become sick. That's why it's great to have a place like Little Pine Pediatrics (LPP) of Madison to serve their needs. There's no better place to learn the value of a nurse's caring smile and helpful care than when your child needs their reassurance. In honor of National Nurses Week, *Greene Publishing, Inc.* is highlighting two nurses who devote themselves to the well-being of others.

Melissa Nash, a provider at LPP, graduated from Valdosta State University in December of 2017, receiving a degree as an Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner. Nash spent most of her 18-year career in emergency rooms, where Nash says she saw "a lot of crazy things." "People never cease to amaze me, but I truly love helping them," said Nash, who is married to Clint Nash. The couple has two children: Sam and Seth.

Lindsay Fudge, L.P.N., has been in nursing since 2007 and serves as the Nursing Manager at LPP. Fudge's enthusiasm for the job is apparent. "I love being able to help kids and I appreciate that parents trust us with their most prized possessions," said Fudge, who is married to Joseph Fudge. The couple has three children: Jayden Moore, Joseph Fudge, Jr. and Mason Fudge.

Madison County Health Department salutes all nurses during National Nurses Week!

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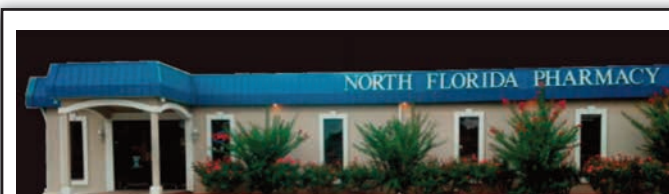
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How National Nurses Week began

Story Submitted; Eileen P. Williamson

Did you know that the week we've come to know as National Nurses Week during the past twenty or so years is actually the result of a process that began more than half a century ago? This involved several presidents and proclamations, having a variety of titles and dates and called for numerous Congressional sponsorships, proposals, and resolutions?

In 1953, Dorothy Sutherland from the US Department of Health, Education, and Welfare made a proposal to President Eisenhower to proclaim a Nurse Day for the following year. The proclamation was not made, but the next year, National Nurses Week did take place in observance of the 100th anniversary of Nightingale's Crimean mission. Then, a House Representative from Ohio, named Frances P. Bolton, sponsored a bill for a National Nurse Week, but no action was taken then or during the next two decades. A resolution was presented by the House to President Nixon in 1972 for a National Registered Nurse Day, and still, nothing happened. In 1974, the International Council of Nurses (ICN) proclaimed May 12 as International Nurses Day since they'd been celebrating that day for almost a decade. President Nixon issued a White House proclamation that designated National Nurses Week, after which New Jersey worked to make the celebration annual. Governor Brendan Byrne declared May 6 to be Nurses Day. A private citizen named Edward Scanlon worked to promote the celebration on his own.

Then, in 1981, the ANA and other nursing organizations rallied to support another resolution from nurses in New Mexico through their Congressman, Manuel Lujan, to have May 6, 1982, established as National Recognition Day for Nurses. In February 1982, the American Nurses Association (ANA) Board of Directors formally acknowledged May 6, 1982, as National Nurses Day, affirming a joint resolution of Congress that had designated May 6th as National Recognition Day for Nurses. On March 25th of that same year, President Reagan signed a proclamation proclaiming May 6, 1982, as National Recognition Day for Nurses. In one final step in 1990, ANA's Board of Directors expanded nurse recognition to a week-long celebration, declaring May 6 – 12, 1991 as National Nurses Week. In 1993, they designated May 6 – 12 as permanent dates for National Nurses Week. Some separate days were added later, including May 6th as National RN Recognition Day, and at the request of the National Student Nurses Association, in 1998, May 8th became National Student Nurses Day. Lastly, in 2003, National School Nurse Day began being celebrated on the Wednesday in National Nurses Week each year.



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Tour the springtime countryside with the Monticello Bike Fest

Ashley Hunter: Greene Publishing, Inc.

Cycling and outdoor enthusiasts! Get ready, for the 4th Annual Monticello Bike Fest. It will be pedaling into Jefferson County on Saturday, May 12. The bike fest, which is hosted by the Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce, will be offering four different bike routes during the ride. Three of the routes are the Century (100 miles), the Metric Century (60 miles), and the Half-Metric Century (30 miles). The cost to register for these three routes is \$50, with the registration fee upping to \$55 on the day of the fest.

The fourth route is the 10-mile, casual Family Ride. Currently, registration for the Family Ride is \$15, but registration will rise to \$20 on the day of the Monticello Bike Fest.

The Century Route will take cyclists from the starting point in Monticello, down into Aucilla, up into Ashville, before heading west, back through Monticello and towards Miccosukee. Cyclers will skirt Lake Miccosukee, head down past Lloyd to Wacissa, before bringing their trek back in through Waukeenah, and return to Monticello. Some of the highlights for this is a beautiful route canopy and



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country roads, acres of farmland, Honey Lake Plantation, and low traffic.

The Metric Century Route cyclists will travel through much of the same beginning turf as the Century cyclists. The Metric Century Route will bring cyclists east out of Monticello, down near Aucilla before heading up into Ashville and returning towards Monticello. From there, cyclists will travel northwest above Lake Miccosukee to Alma, and keeping above the lake; cyclists will turn south and return to Monticello. Rolling countryside, rural canopy roads and a selection of beautiful, asphalt roads will delight cyclists of this route.

The Half-Metric Century route is a simple back-and-forth ride taking cyclists through Ashville Hwy, down Bassett Dairy Road, back through U.S. 90 and up Country Road 243 before beginning the return trek. Acres of lovely farmland and abundant spring wildflowers lining the route will immerse cyclists in the rural trek through Jefferson County.

The Bike Fest will start at 7 a.m., at 420 W. Washington St.

To view maps of the routes, to register or to learn more about the Monticello Bike Fest, visit

www.caamevents.com/event/monticello-bike-fest or www.raceroster.com/events/2018/15739/monticello-bike-fest.

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Fun for all at the 12th Annual Mayhaw Berry Harvest Festival

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It is a weekend of good old-fashioned fun; of hayrides, storytellers by the bonfire, crafts, music and more!

On Friday afternoon, May 11, the festival starts off with experts from around the region gathering at the Golden Acre Ranch to practice and demonstrate the art and craft of wool. From teasing, to carding, from weaving and spinning, the experts will be working their craft and demonstrating the process behind working with wool.

For \$25, individuals can register for the felting class, where they will learn how to make adorable lamb-faced, felted wool dryer balls of

their own. The cost of the class covers the supplies, including a felting block, felting needles and enough wool for three balls. Visit www.goldenacresranch-florida.com/events/classes to register.

That evening, families are invited to gather around a bonfire at Golden Acres Ranch to listen to stories, enjoy the warm spring weather, and listen to local musicians play old-fashioned music. Bring your favorite stories and jokes (keep everything family friendly!), or your instrument and join in on this fun, free evening of mingling and fun.

On Saturday and Sunday (May 12 and 13), the real fun begins!

Lasting from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., the Mayhaw Berry Harvest Festival will be in full swing, with free hayrides, picnics in the beautiful pasture of Golden Acre Ranch, various vendors

and, of course, the harvesting of mayhaw berries.

You can even buy your own locally grown mayhaw jelly from the Country Store.


Other activities will include the Archeological Dig, with kids being able to uncover all sorts of dinosaur bones and eggs (buckets and brushes will be supplied); the Petting Place, where kids can pet December-born lambs and goat kids; the Famous Phony Pony, which has been a popular attraction through the years; and Corn Hole games.

In the Country Store, there will be a selection of local and natural products, such as fresh farm eggs, mayhaw jellies, and cakes, blueberry jelly, local honey, handmade soaps, wool for spinning and more!

Come on out to this fun-filled and family-approved event!

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Shakespeare in the Park and Renaissance Festival

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Behold, lovers of classical tales, the Southern Shakespeare Company, will be coming to Cascades Park, in Tallahassee, on Thursday, May 10 through Sunday, May 13.

Each day, classical Shakespearean performances of *Romeo and Juliet* will begin at 7:30 a.m., with a Renaissance Festival taking place on Saturday, May 12 and Sunday, May 13. The fair will begin at 4 p.m. on both days.

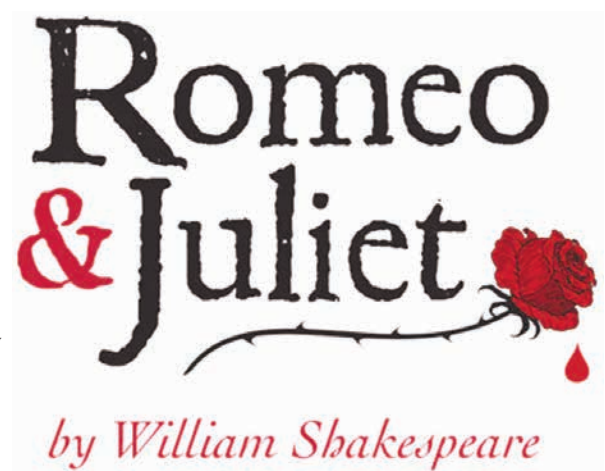
The festival will include a variety of olden magic and entertainment as jugglers, illusionists, stilt walkers and fortune tellers weaving through the crowd. Visitors can spectate armored combat, sample medieval cuisine, and learn new skills such as blacksmithing, weaving or belly dancing.

To add to the fun, on Saturday, the winners of the 2018 Sonnet Contest will be announced, and their poetry read aloud during the Renaissance Festival.

The Young Acting Company of Southern Shakespeare Company, The Bardlings, will be performing *Eighth Night*, an original abridged version of the classical *Twelfth Night*, on Saturday and Sunday, beginning at 5 p.m. in the Capital City Amphitheater.

Both the performance of *Romeo and Juliet* as well as the Renaissance Festival are free. However, there may be some parking and seating options that require creating a membership with the Southern Shakespeare Company.

For more information about these upcoming events as well as membership prices, visit the company's website at www.southernshakespearefestival.org.



NEW MOVIES IN THEATERS

IT'S SUMMER MOVIE SEASON

BY PAUL HALL

Ladies and gentlemen, prepare yourself to be amazed by incredible people in animated form, dinosaurs roaming the earth again, Avengers beyond those who were in theaters last week and yet another impossible mission. Yes, the 2018 iteration of our favorite time of the year, Summer Movie Season, is upon us, so let's take a peek at what we can expect to see at the movies.

Look for laughs as Melissa McCarthy goes back to college in *Life of the Party* (May 11), while more mature laughs come your way as Diane Keaton, Candice Bergen and friends start to read *Fifty Shades of Grey in Book Club* (May 18).

Prefer irreverent comedy with your action? *Deadpool 2* (May 18) features Ryan Reynolds returning as our favorite superhero not bound by a PG-13 rating.

Memorial Day weekend takes us to a galaxy far, far away for *Solo: A Star Wars Story* from director Ron Howard. Wait, who shot first again?



Solo: A Star Wars Story
 Rated PG-13
 Stars: Emilia Clarke, Paul Bettany, Alden Ehrenreich
 Director: Ron Howard

Ocean's 8 (June 8) has women doing the caper, with Sandra Bullock leading the way for her friends.

Our favorite animated superhero family is back in *Incredibles 2* (June 15), and we can't wait.

What if a game of tag was never-ending? That's part of the premise behind *Tag* (June 15) with Ed Helms and Jeremy Renner.

The dinosaurs roam the earth for *Jurassic World: Fallen Kingdom* (June 22) in a film that looks to be larger than life.

And *Sicario: Day of the Soldado* (June 29), a second chapter from my favorite film of 2015, will close the month out with a bang for sure.

See *The First Purge* (July 4) as we celebrate the holiday with another chapter in the horror franchise.

While *Avengers: Infinity War* kicked off the summer, *Ant-Man and the Wasp* (July 6) keeps it going with

more of what we have come to expect from Marvel.

The weekend of July 13 has something for the kids with *Hotel Transylvania 3: Summer Vacation* and an action film with Dwayne Johnson set high in Skyscraper.

Don't worry, Denzel Washington fans, *The Equalizer 2* (July 20) brings him back to the big screen for more of the same.

Those who are saying, "Where's the musical?" *Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again* (July 20) arrives just in time for you.

July closes with the superheroes we are all waiting for in *Teen Titans Go! to the Movies* (July 27).

And if that wasn't what you expected, maybe the incredible blockbuster franchise film *Mission: Impossible -- Fallout* (July 27) will impress you, with Tom Cruise rocking a lot of his own stunts yet again.

If there is one thing we know, it is that we already know a lot about what to expect this summer, given the number of sequels coming to theaters. But this is just scratching the surface on what looks to be good fun at the box office, as a slew of smaller films will hit theaters in the coming months, so keep watching right here for some of the best all summer long. Pass the popcorn -- large, of course.

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 Director: James McTeigue
 Shaun Russell is a woman who will not go quietly into the night. During a home invasion, she decides to fight back to protect herself and her family.



Life of the Party
 Rated PG-13
 Stars: Melissa McCarthy, Gillian Jacobs, Debby Ryan
 Director: Ben Falcone
 When Deanna is hit with an abrupt divorce from her husband, there is only one thing to do: return to college and complete her degree. But guess who is attending the same college as Dee Rock (as she's soon known)? Yep, her daughter!



ASK MATT

BY MATT ROUSH TV Guide Senior Critic

What do you think of Good Girls on NBC?

Question: What is your opinion on NBC's *Good Girls*? I've watched the first five episodes, and I'm still on the fence. The three leading ladies have zero in common, with the exception of needing money desperately. Suburban moms working for criminals to earn cash for a sick child's medical expenses, legal bills in a child custody case, and saving a home from foreclosure because an inept cheating husband got them deep in debt. Now said husband is faking cancer. Each episode, the girls say they are getting out only to double down on the illegal activities. Do you think this show has a future? -- Dawn

Matt Roush: My opinion hasn't really changed since I first reviewed the show, which wrapped its first season up on April 30, in that I have issues with *Good Girls'* uncertain tone between broad suburban satire and actual crime drama. Love the primary cast, but it often feels to me more like a show that's *Breaking Silly*, and even when the stakes are high (like with Ruby's daughter's health crisis), I rarely feel the urgency or the comedy. I've fallen behind a bit, and if it's not renewed, I probably won't bother to catch up. The series was pretty heavily promoted during the Olympics and hasn't capitalized on its *Voice* lead-in, so I'd say the chances for it to get a second season to figure itself out are pretty iffy. These days, you just never know.

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How homeschoolers teach without a teacher

Have you ever wondered how someone can teach at home without an education degree? How can they teach high school if they don't even remember their Algebra 1?! In this article, I will tell you exactly how it's done through specialized curriculum, motivation through purpose, advantages of being in control and available support.

Firstly, most homeschooling curricula is different from curricula used in a traditional setting because it is often self-instructional. This means that learning is not meant to be directed by a "teacher." In curricula



Nancy Moral

designed to be self-instructional, the concepts are spoon-fed in very small increments so that the student cannot get easily lost. So, basically it is not the teacher teaching the child, but instead the curriculum teaching the child. The parent becomes more like the manager-in-chief. Each chapter or section in a self-instructional curriculum is often designed with formative (mid-way) testing and summative (end-of-chapter) testing to confirm progress. This allows you to adjust the work load at any time if things get difficult – or to easy. Also, self-instructional curricula has a "scope and sequence" chart showing all of the content for the whole year. This means you and your student can look ahead at the challenges and plan for a tutor if needed. Examining the

scope and sequence allows more quality time for parents to discuss learning goals too. I have had parents tell me that they enjoy the benefit from this interaction while homeschooling their children because they actually wind up relearning important math and English skills! There are also other options available, such as using tutors, cooperative teaching, dual enrollment and online courses – but I digress.

Secondly, students that constantly interact with their parents understand the "WIFIM" for the work. The WIFIM is the "What's-In-It-For-Them" reason for the school work, which motivates them to learn by providing a purpose. We all work a little harder when we know why something will improve our lives or help us to reach a goal. Homeschooling allows for this kind of environment of high motivation which is very important to being successful in teaching and learning. Parents are the best advocates for their children and are eager to share with them how learning can improve their life or help them meet a goal.

Thirdly, homeschoolers are in control of their learning and can set their own goals. In the homeschooling world, setting goals is itself an education. For this reason, I instruct parents to let their student set academic goals (within a given structure). Homeschoolers can fill out a daily academic goal chart one day at a time, i.e. page numbers to do, tasks to complete, appointments to keep, etc. So, for instance when the

student starts their work for the day, they examine their goal chart, then they complete each goal, crossing each goal out on the chart as they finish.

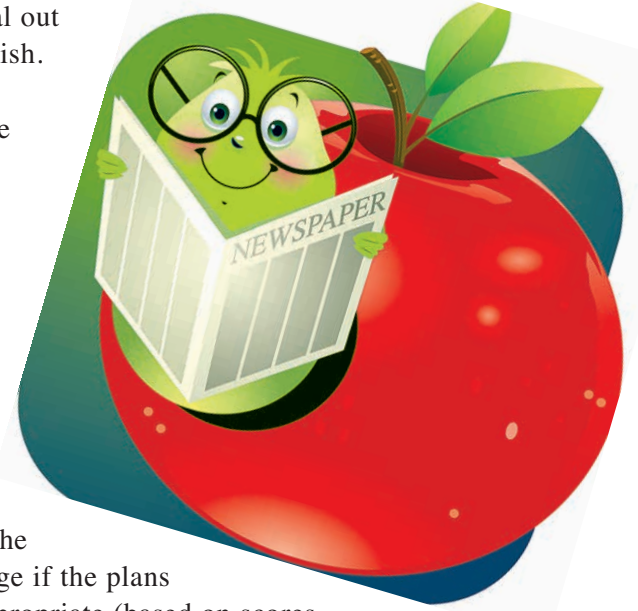
They set the next day's goals themselves before they finish their school day, and they submit their work and goal chart to their parents.

This way, parents can see exactly what their student said they did, and what they plan to do tomorrow.

Parents use the goal chart to examine the student's work and judge if the plans for the next day are appropriate (based on scores and work quality). Students can increase or lessen the "load" when things get easy or hard, and parents can decide if they used good judgement. These discussions are a great motivator and provide "learning moments" for setting expectations.

Having a variety of curriculum choices, knowing the WIFIM and independently setting daily goals describes some of the reasons parents can successfully homeschool without the help of a state licensed teacher; but the whole plan comes together with the help of local support groups. Homeschool support groups become invaluable in the life of homeschoolers; even if it's just for recreation, face time talking with other parents or social interaction for the kids. Local groups found through the state-wide Florida Parent Educators Association, for example will have everything from speech and debate contests, 4-H groups, photography clubs, drama teams and even graduation ceremonies – all for homeschoolers! The options for activities are endless! Groups will also have "special speakers" on homeschool issues and even offer "classes" by member parents that are experts in a given field. It's a parent's right, but also their duty to provide a quality education and utilize available resources. Homeschooling without a "teacher" is very possible and actually very enjoyable for most families, but it is a lifestyle change and not a lifestyle suited for all. For a variety of topics, see my blog at <http://blog.myfyps.com>. The next article will address how homeschoolers handle formal documentation and school records.

Please submit questions to be answered in this column to nancy@myfyps.com. This column serves to build a relationship between the public and homeschooling families. Nancy is the director of Family Tree Private School, www.myfyps.com since 1999 – a school for homeschooling families. Nancy has a Master's degree in Educational Technology and Research and was Florida certified K-12 for over 30 years. She and her husband homeschooled their 3 children.



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VANDERBILT MORTGAGE AND FINANCE, INC. CASE NO.: 1700082CAAMXX
 Plaintiff(s),
 vs.
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 Defendant(s).
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR MADISON COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION
 Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. Case #: 2016-CA-000133
 Plaintiff,
 vs.
 John D. Canada; Foster D. Canada; Unknown Spouse of John D. Canada; Unknown Spouse of Foster D. Canada; Unknown Parties in Possession #1; Unknown Parties in Possession #2
 Defendant(s).
NOTICE OF SALE
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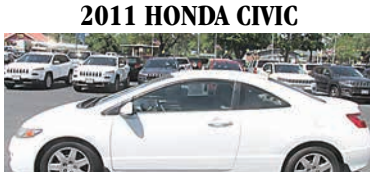
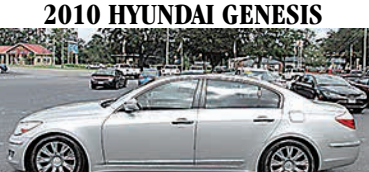


















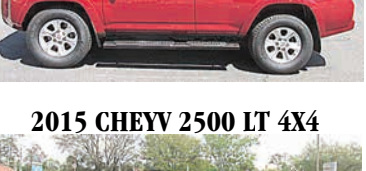







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