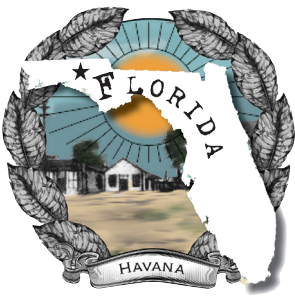


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## A dream come true

### Seventy-year-old Army veteran participates in “Dream Flight.”

**Fabrizio Gowdy**  
Correspondent

Seventy-year-old Army veteran Robin Hasting enjoyed crisp blue skies and perfect flying weather as he took to the skies this past Friday in a World War II-era biplane.

“If this don’t get your juices going you’re dead—it’s like a heart transplant without the hassle,” said Hasting as he waited his turn to fly.

The flight was organized by Dream Flights, a nonprofit that honors veterans with special 15-minute flights in restored vintage aircraft. In its 15 years in operation, Dream Flights has logged nearly 8,000 veteran flights.

“You can see the joy in their faces, [it] brings back memories of them feeling honored,” said Kristen Knapp with the Florida Health Care Association, which partnered with Dream Flights to make the flights happen. “They’re experiencing a quality of

life that brings them back to their younger years.”

Hasting was one of five veterans who took off from Tallahassee International Airport Friday, flying over Doak Campbell Stadium and the State Capitol.

Hasting was preceded by fellow Army veteran Sylvester Jackson. The two shook hands from their wheelchairs and spoke briefly immediately following Jackson’s flight.

“You’re going to like it,” Jackson told Hasting, beaming. “It’ll remind you of the old times.”

Originally from Southern California, Hasting’s earliest memory is flying with his father, who served as an aviator in World War II. He eventually followed his father’s footsteps into military service, spending four years in infantry and four years as a computer programmer.

During his time in the service, Hasting jumped from aircraft 137 times. After leaving the Army, he

obtained his pilot’s license and logged 130 hours of flight time, but he has not flown in 30 years due to financial constraints.

“I could get the hang of flying again pretty quickly,” quipped Hasting before takeoff, also joking that perhaps he’d record jump number 138 during the course of his flight.

Hasting has called Quincy home for the past 20 years and now lives at Riverchase Health and Rehabilitation Center. Hasting was wary of nursing homes after witnessing his grandmother endure poor conditions in such facilities, but his experience at Riverchase has been a pleasant surprise.

“My greatest fear when I was young was ending up in a nursing home when we got old. But it is not as dreadful of an experience as I had imagined—it’s a rather pleasant place to live,” said Hasting.



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Hastings is one of five veterans who took off from Tallahassee International Airport Friday, Oct. 31.

## Pirates Senior Night game topped the season with a series of great plays

**Patricia Smith**  
Gadsden County News Service

This football season was a season of learning and growing...growing into a more mature and developed team of young men who came a long way from where they started.

Last week the Pirates embraced senior night not only as a milestone celebration, but as a

winning experience on the shipyard field for the season’s end. They didn’t meet all the goals Head Coach Bill Thomas had hoped for, but they made progress that proved they were listening and learning even though there were times it seemed like they weren’t.

The young men enjoyed the last game and the smiles on their faces shined throughout the entire game. T

The night was young and within the first five minutes of the football game Sneads TyShawn Travis (#14) zig-zagged his way into the endzone scoring the first touchdown! A two-point conversion attempt was deemed no good.

The Buccaneers worked hard through the first quarter and with determination made a touchdown of their own with a good kick and the scoring pushed them into a 1-point lead over the Pirates. It wasn’t long after that with only 1:34 left in the first quarter that Tyran Thomas (#21) scrambled to score for his team, bumping them back up with a 12-7 lead. The Sneads kicker missed



another kick, and no extra points were accumulated.

Second Quarter – It only took two minutes for the Buccaneers to take the lead back with a 14-12 score shadowing over the Pirates.

Sneads quarterback Jamarhi Scott (#1) passed the ball to Travis (#14) who then in turn tossed the ball like a hot potato into the arms of Brandon Leonard (#73) attempting to gain more yardage, but he didn’t get far before being pinned to the ground. It was still an impressive play, and they did a great job trying! It took a lot of work after that, but Scott was finally able to complete a pass to Travis who was only a few steps away from the

endzone. “Touchdown Pirates! Pass complete to number 14 TyShawn Travis,” exclaimed the game announcer. Instead of hiking the ball for a kickoff play, Aiden Lanier (#88) deceptively passed the ball to Kaiden Alexander (#24) successfully completing a 2-point conversion. The Pirates took the lead again 19-14.

With only seconds to spare before the end of the quarter the Buccaneers thought they would snag a quick touchdown, but time ran out and the buzzer ended the 1st half.

Third Quarter – The Sneads team had to put in some work, but Thomas achieved another touchdown to add to his

count for the night. An attempt at a conversion didn’t pan out but the 26-14 score boosted their confidence as the game continued in their favor.

Fourth Quarter – The game just kept getting better and better for the Pirates especially at the beginning of the 4th when Thomas ran in his 3rd touchdown of the night! Jumping the score up to 32-14, giving the Pirates an 18-point lead.

Trying their best to catch up, the Buccaneers pushed through a crew of Pirates and managed to barely get the ball across the goal line. The determination was inspiring!

It didn’t take long for Sneads quarterback J. Scott to get the ball back

into Thomas’ hands for a showstopper as fans watched him make his 4th touchdown of the night!

The lit up numbers on the scoreboard showed 38-22 and it was time for the Buccaneers to take another shot at scoring, but Sneads Traivon Danzey leaped into his spotlight moment as he caught an interception! Soon after Jarvis March (#9) tried his shot to grab an interception in the last seconds, but it was incomplete and after one more short play the buzzer sounded ending the 4th with a victory for the Sneads mighty Pirates!

The quarterbacks for both teams showed exceptional skill and did a great job completing several passes to their receivers. Both teams played well together and should be proud of the unity it took them to get through it together from start to finish.

The Pirates will be playing again this week but as of deadline on Tuesday they were still awaiting the final decision of who they will be playing and where they will be traveling to.

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Community Calendar

November

Havana Holiday Open House

- Saturday, Nov. 8 and Sunday Nov. 9
- 10 a.m. - noon on Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday
- Downtown Havana

Win a shopping spree of \$50, \$150 Or \$300. Register at one of

Havana’s participating merchants who display a gold star in their window. Drawing at 4 p.m. on Sunday at the Christmas tree.

Veteran’s Day Fish Fry and Celebration

- Tuesday, Nov. 11
- 11 a.m.

- 10 East Jefferson Street, Quincy (Gadsden County Courthouse South Lawn)

Open to all veterans of Gadsden County. There will be free food, drinks, giveaways and prizes.

Havana Garden Club Annual Fall Bazaar

- Saturday, Nov. 22
- 8:30 a.m. - noon
- 128 7th Ave E., Havana (Hazel Baker Community Center)

Our famous casseroles, baked goods, crafts and white elephant items with be available!

November 2024						
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Holidays						
3rd - Daylight Saving Time Ends						
5th - Election Day						

Havana kicks off holiday season with tree lighting and merchant open house

Erin Hill  
Gadsden County News Service

Havana Main Street will usher in the holiday season this weekend with two popular community events — the annual Community Christmas Tree Lighting on Friday, Nov. 7, followed

by the Holiday Open House on Saturday and Sunday.

The Community Christmas Tree Lighting will take place on the vacant lot at the corner of U.S. Highway 27 and East 7th Avenue. Festivities begin at 4:30 p.m., when the

Havana Fire Department starts grilling hamburgers and hot dogs for purchase.

Santa Claus will arrive by fire engine at 5 p.m. to visit with children and pose for photos. The evening will conclude with the tree lighting ceremony at 6 p.m., accompanied by

holiday music and a chance for neighbors to gather and celebrate the season.

The celebration continues over the weekend as local merchants host the annual Holiday Open House. Shops will be open Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday from

noon to 5 p.m., offering seasonal refreshments and a variety of gift options.

Visitors can register for a shopping spree at participating stores marked with gold stars. Winners of the \$50, \$150, and \$300 gift certificate prizes will be announced Sunday

at 4 p.m. in front of the community Christmas tree.

Both events are organized by Havana Main Street and are designed to bring residents and visitors together to celebrate the holidays while supporting local businesses.



COUNCIL MEETING DATE CHANGE

Regular Monthly Council Meeting:

November 18, 2025 @ 6pm

December 16, 2025 @ 6pm

Meeting Location:


Town Hall Council Chambers

711 N. Main Street

Havana FL 32333

All meetings are open to the public and participation is encouraged. If you need assistance, please contact the Town Clerk at 850-539-2820.





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RFQ 26-01 Professional Engineering Services for Road and Bridge Projects

ADVERTISEMENT BEGIN DATE: Thursday, October 30, 2025

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PROPOSALS DUE TO BOCC: Monday, December 1, 2025@ 3:00 PM EST

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# Gadsden County Extension Column

## Why fairs matter: Connecting agriculture to the community

In just a few short days, the North Florida Fair will kick off 11 days of exhibits, entertainment, and family fun from November 6 – 16. While many people think of fairs as a place for funnel cakes and carnival rides, they're also deeply rooted in agriculture and rural traditions. In Florida, fairs began, and still exist, to highlight and champion the agricultural industry across our region and state. When you attend a fair like the North Florida Fair, you're not just enjoying a good time. You're supporting farmers, educating youth, and strengthening your community.

### Fairs showcase local farming

One of the biggest reasons fairs matter is because they give farmers a chance to show what they do best. At the North Florida Fair, you'll see rows of fresh vegetables, jars of honey, and homemade jams. They're part of contests where local growers compete for ribbons and recognition. Livestock shows are another major attraction. Each weekend of the fair, kids and adults bring cattle, goats, and chickens they've raised to be judged. These animals are carefully groomed and trained, and the competition teaches responsibility, care, and pride. It's also a chance for visitors to learn where their food comes from and how animals are raised.

### Teaching the next generation

Fairs are a powerful learning experience, especially for youth

involved in 4-H and FFA. These groups use the fair to teach kids about agriculture through hands-on projects. Students raise animals, grow crops, and give presentations. They compete in judging events, public speaking contests, and more. These experiences help build confidence and life skills. Some students may go on to become farmers, veterinarians, or scientists. Others may simply gain a deeper appreciation for how food is grown and why agriculture matters.

### Supporting local farmers

Fairs also help local farmers and small businesses thrive. Visitors often buy fresh produce, handmade crafts, and locally prepared foods. This boosts the local economy and gives farmers a chance to connect directly with customers. In places like Gadsden County, where agriculture is a way of life, fairs help keep farming strong. They remind us that farming isn't just about tractors and fields; it's about feeding families and caring for the land.

### Bringing the community together

Fairs are one of the few events that bring everyone together, young and old, city and country. Families come to enjoy the rides, eat fair food, and watch shows. But while they're having fun, they're also learning about agriculture and rural life. Local schools, churches, and clubs often participate in the fair. They set up booths, perform music, and help run events. This builds

pride in the community and gives people a chance to work together.

### A window into rural life

For those who don't live on farms, the fair offers a glimpse into rural living. Visitors can watch livestock being groomed, learn how butter is made, or discover how to grow tomatoes. These hands-on experiences help people understand the hard work behind every meal. In today's world, many people are disconnected from farming. They buy food at the store without knowing where it came from. Fairs help close that gap by showing the real faces and stories behind agriculture.

### Why it matters more than ever

With fewer young people entering farming, fairs are more important than ever. They inspire kids to explore careers in agriculture and help preserve traditions that have been passed down for generations. In Gadsden County and beyond, fairs are more than just fun, they're a celebration of hard work, learning, and community. So, when you visit the North Florida Fair this November, enjoy the funnel cake and the Ferris wheel, but don't forget to stop by the livestock barn or the exhibit building. That's where the heart of the fair truly lives.

*Robbie Jones is the Agriculture and Natural Resources Agent/County Extension Director for UF/IFAS Extension Gadsden County.*



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##### ITB 26-06 Installation of ADA Bus Shelters on Concrete Pads

ADVERTISEMENT BEGIN DATE: Thursday, October 30, 2025

RELEASE DATE: Thursday, October 30, 2025

MANDTATORY PRE-BID MEETING\*: Thursday, November 6, 2025 @ 10:00 AM EST

PROPOSALS DUE TO BOCC: Monday, December 1, 2025 @ 11:00 AM EST

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The principal features of this procurement by the County are known as: Installation of ADA Bus Shelters on Concrete Pads (or "Bus Shelters"). The specifications of the procurement are stated in ITB 26-06.

The ITB 26-06 and any addendum issued will be posted on the County's website at [www.gadsdencountyfl.gov](http://www.gadsdencountyfl.gov) or can be obtained by contacting the County's Procurement Office at [procurement@gadsdencountyfl.gov](mailto:procurement@gadsdencountyfl.gov).

*\*Potential bidders wishing to attend the Mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting virtually must email the County Purchasing Office at [Purchasing@gadsdencountyfl.gov](mailto:Purchasing@gadsdencountyfl.gov) no later than Wednesday, November 5, 2025, 1:00 PM EST to register for the meeting and to receive the meeting link/invite as per the ITB, Section 1, Schedule of Events.*

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##### ITB# 26-04 – FAIRBANKS FERRY MILL AND RESURFACING PROJECT

ADVERTISEMENT BEGIN DATE: October 9, 2025

RELEASE DATE: October 9, 2025

MANDATORY PRE-BID CONFERENCE: Thursday, October 23, 2025 @ 10:30 AM

PROPOSALS DUE TO BOCC: Wednesday, November 12, 2025 @ 3:00 PM

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The Project consists of approximately 100LF of floating turbidity barrier, 150 LF of a standard integral pile jacket and 820 pounds of structural steel rehab. The specifications of the procurement are stated in ITB# 26-04.

Pre-Bid Meeting will be held at 10:30 AM, Eastern Time, Thursday, October 23, 2025, at the Public Works Office located at 1284 High Bridge Road, Quincy, Florida 32351.

The ITB# 26-04 and any addendum issued will be posted on the County's website at [www.gadsdencountyfl.gov](http://www.gadsdencountyfl.gov) or can be obtained by contacting the County's Procurement Office at [procurement@gadsdencountyfl.gov](mailto:procurement@gadsdencountyfl.gov).

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##### ITB 26-05 CONSTRUCTION - HURRICANE SPECIAL NEEDS SHELTER RETROFIT

ADVERTISEMENT BEGIN DATE: October 10, 2025

RELEASE DATE: October 10, 2025

MANDATORY PRE-BID CONFERENCE: October 16, 2025 @ 11:00 AM

PROPOSALS DUE TO BOCC: November 10, 2025 @ 10:00 AM

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The specific retrofit includes, but may not be limited to, replacement of all windows and doors and ATS protection as indicated in the ITB 26-05 documents for a wing of the Gadsden County Community Hospital to serve as a Hurricane Special Needs Shelter.

Pre-Bid Meeting will be held at 11:00 AM, EST, Thursday, October 16, 2025, at the project site located at the Gadsden County Community Hospital located at 23186 Blue Star Highway, U.S.90, Quincy, Gadsden County, Florida,

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Have you been counting the minutes until election day when your neighbors can remove all those campaign signs from their lawns for another two years? Yes, these are mid-term elections, just as serious as the presidential election yet to come two years from now, but not as interesting.

Why not? Because the great candidate Vermin Love Supreme only runs for President and doesn't mess about trying to be someone's governor. V.L., who appears to be a bearded cross between Archimedes and Alexander Graham Bell, tends to stand out in a crowd. That is largely because he's usually wearing a boot on his head and is carrying a giant toothbrush.

Unlike most politicians, who basically ask us to vote for them because they have their names on several yard signs and can prove it, Ol' Verm isn't afraid to face his country head-on and tell us what we really need.

Last time around, while trying to wedge his goals into the New Hampshire primaries, Vermin made no bones of his platform: 1. Passing a national law that everyone must brush their teeth, 2. Dedicating millions of tax dollars to delve into time travel, 3. Investigate the possibilities of a Zombie invasion, and 4. Give a pony to everyone in the country.

Lest you be scratching your head over the time-travel expenditures, Vermin Love Supreme is quick to point out that once science has whipped time travel, he can then go back in time and kill Adolf Hitler.

How can you beat a campaign slogan like that? Not only is it fun, but just picture 250 million people riding ponies around and showing off their shiny teeth.

Just two more years ... we can do it. Two more years.

*Brought to you by a mysterious conglomerate that we've never heard of and who just do silly things.*



PeaceVoice

# Stop talking about “protests”

Peter Bergel

I am tired of hearing about “protests” and “protesters.” Those terms sound whiney and powerless to me. “Protest” means to object, which is, of course, what we are doing when we hit the streets, but we’re doing something equally – or I would say more – important. We are demonstrating. What are we demonstrating? We are demonstrating support for our issue and point of view. We are saying “here is a crowd of people who agree that (insert the issue).” We want those who hold the power in our society to change something. That’s more than just objecting to the status quo – more than just “protesting.” It is articulating a vision of something more satisfactory.

Why is this important? The key dynamic is the

perception of who holds the ultimate power. Is it those “in power,” or is it the people? It is demeaning for the people to plead with their elected officials for a little more this or a little less that. They are our servants and are supposed to work to deliver what the majority of us want. That’s what democracy means. Ultimately, we elect those who do what we want and unelect those who do not. (We all know that money from the wealthy and the corporations perverts this idealistic model in practice, but let us set that aside for the moment.)

The media have veered away from the terms “demonstration” and “demonstrators” which were once common. When they instead call our actions “protests” and those who participate “protesters,” they are casting us in the role

of supplicants to masters. When we ourselves use those “protest” terms, we accede to the perception of ourselves as supplicants. In other words, we give our power away. While we are in the very act of asserting that we are powerful, we accept a description that paints us as powerless.

Let’s believe in our own assertion of power and redouble our efforts to demonstrate it, not only by behaving as if we were powerful, but also by claiming a powerful name for one of our mass action tactics. We are not “protesters,” we are “demonstrators,” and we are demonstrating our strength.

And while we are thinking about demonstrating our strength, let’s think one step further. Demonstrating is a numbers game. Demonstrations that increase in size over time demonstrate

increasing support for our issue(s). And if that is true, what do demonstrations that decrease in size say?

One general rule (to which there may be occasional exceptions) is “if your next demonstration is not going to be larger than your last demonstration, don’t do it!” That may sound like anathema to some organizers, but we must think strategically rather than tactically. To be effective, we should always let our strategy dictate our tactics, not the other way around. We demonstrate if it serves our overall purpose, not just because we decide we want to.

Peter Bergel is a retired director of Oregon PeaceWorks, a veteran of many public interest campaigns and the editor of The PeaceWorker, an online peace magazine.

## NURSE JUDY’S NOOK Ho! Ho! I won one!

Judy Conlin

I went on a photo shoot this week. I knew that would get your attention. You know me as the slovenly old woman in the dirty bathrobe, who would never get dressed if she did not have to. Who would want a picture of that hot mess? I had to admit it was not a professional photo shoot. It was a personal photo shoot to celebrate my upcoming 90th birthday. (I did it a bit early just in case I did not last until I was ninety. One must be prepared for all eventualities.)

Just like you, when Nurse Judy, my diva alter ego, heard the news she thought it was a professional shoot and she was beside herself. They must have made a mistake inviting me.. Surely, some celebrity publications wanted pictures of her. A mistake had been made. I had to show her the contract where I had requested the shoot. Mollified, but still unhappy, she decided she would try to make sure I looked as good as possible, because somehow folks would connect her with me. She became very bossy

during this time.

First, she made appointments for hair and nails for me on the day of the shoot. Nurse Judy may be a diva, but she is not efficient plus she is dealing with an almost ninety year old who messes everything up. The result was both the hair appointment, and the nail appointment were for the same time on the same day. My wonderful friends at the salon both worked on me at the same time to prepare me for the shoot. By then I was a nervous wreck.

I arrived at the photographers carrying 5 or 6 of Nurse Judy’s Spencer Alexis Victorian outfits and a basket of matching shoes and accessories. I felt like a fraud, but those outfits did bolster my courage. The photographer was new in town and knew nothing about me or Nurse Judy. Of course, she was delighted with those outfits, and of course, she assumed they were mine. She was the sweetest, kindest lady in the world, and I was thoroughly enjoying her attention. I did not reveal that those outfits

belonged to someone else. The ruse continued when she discovered the matching shoes in the basket.

“You sure must have a lot of shoes, to be able to match all these outfits with shoes,” she said.

By now, I was flying high and lying like a trooper. “Oh, I have shelves of beautiful expensive shoes,” I say, “and drawers and drawers of accessories, plus I have 10 more Spencer Alexis outfits in my closet.” I could not bring myself to admit that they did not belong to me. I was enjoying myself much too much.

As this sweet lady snapped photos, she kept saying “Beautiful” or ‘So pretty’ or ‘This is my favorite’ as I swelled up with pride. No matter what I was wearing, this was me she was talking about.

When she finished, she let me see a few of her favorites. I was so disappointed. I was dolled up and dressed up, but I looked like plain old Judy wearing someone else’s clothes. Sensing my lack of enthusiasm, she quickly told me that the edited version

would be more to my liking.

She had worked so hard and been so patient, I did not want to make her feel bad. “I’m sure they will be fine,” I said.

Outside, Nurse Judy was waiting. “Those aren’t pictures of you,” she said. “Somehow, she took photos of me. Aren’t they lovely?”

I took another look at the photos. There was a vague look of plain old Judy in them, but if you changed your angle a little, there was Nurse Judy, who is not beautiful, but thinks she is so much that she looks better than she is. “You are so right,” I said even though I knew it was not true. “Those pictures are of you.”

I think I have had a big win. Now when people make a fuss over Nurse Judy, I can enjoy it knowing sometimes you cannot tell the difference. That is how it is with alter egos,

*More later,  
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Grace Notes

Grace worth talking about

Nancy Kennedy

Editor’s note: This is adapted from a 2013 Grace Notes column.

Lately I’ve noticed people — not just Christians — talking about grace. We all agree we need more of it. As in, “Be gracious! Be kind! Give people some grace!”

But is that really grace?

Years ago, a company called philosophy sold a shampoo named “amazing grace.” Printed on the bottle was their “philosophy”:

“Life is a classroom. We are both student and teacher. Each day is a test. And each day we receive a passing or failing grade in one particular subject: grace.”

Then it went on to list things like compassion, gratitude, good manners, and reverence — “the list goes on.”

All that, and it could be yours for \$32 for a 24-ounce bottle of shampoo. That is, if the price of amazing grace hasn’t gone up.

I once heard a pastor say that’s exactly how our culture thinks about grace — as a virtue you have to work at. The problem is, when grace becomes a chore, it stops being grace.

A man once told me how hard he worked to “stay in God’s grace.” I told him that grace you have to work for — or be tested on — isn’t

grace. It’s exhausting. And futile.

The grace that’s truly amazing is the kind that “saved a wretch like me.”

John Newton, who wrote Amazing Grace, was a former slave trader. It’s said that on one voyage across the Atlantic — March 21, 1748 — with a ship full of enslaved Africans and a violent storm raging, Newton felt the weight of his sin and cried out to God for mercy. And God answered.

Because of grace, Newton’s life was forever changed. He left the slave trade, became a preacher, and went on to write one of the world’s most beloved hymns.

Grace is amazing, yes — but it’s also not easy to explain in a world that thinks “showing grace” means not punching someone in the face during a debate.

One of my favorite illustrations of grace comes from Justin Holcomb, who told this story in a radio interview years ago.

At age seven, Justin was baptized. A week later, he snuck into his neighbor’s house, accidentally flooded it, caused thousands of dollars in damage — and then lied about it.

His guilty conscience tormented him until weeks later, his dad found out and confronted him.

“He was furious, and I knew I was toast,” Justin said. “I told him, ‘I did

it the week after I got baptized! Every night I ask God to forgive me, but I don’t even know if I’m still a Christian!’”

When his dad saw him shaking in fear, he did something incredible. He said, “You’ve asked God to forgive you — then you’re forgiven. I forgive you too. And I’ll pay for the damages.”

Then he said the most astonishing thing of all: “Now go outside and play.”

Justin said, “My dad’s gift of grace sent shockwaves through my life that absolutely changed me. I am gracious because I’ve received grace. I forgive others because I’ve been forgiven.”

That’s grace — the kind that saves wretches like us, pays the damages and sets us free.

But not only that, grace also hands us a towel, dries our tears, picks us up and gives us a hug and maybe sings the chorus to “Jesus Paid It All” — and then says, “Go on now. Go play.”

That’s a grace worth talking about.

Contact Nancy Kennedy at 352-564-2927 (leave a message) or email at [nkennedy@chronicleonline.com](mailto:nkennedy@chronicleonline.com).

Today can be different

Pray for our wounded veterans and their families

Sheryl Boldt

Four-year-old Susie jumps out of her hiding spot. “Peek-a-Boo!”

Expecting a fun reaction, the tiny girl doesn’t understand why her daddy’s face shows fear instead of delight. Instead of playfully scooping her into his arms, he steps back, beads of sweat forming on his forehead.

Susie’s eyes fill with tears. She can’t hear her daddy’s heart pounding as he bolts from the room, searching for a place that feels safe. But there isn’t one. Not since he defended America on the battlefield so she and her mother could live in a free nation. His service may have ended, but some days, it feels as though the war followed him home.

“Why won’t daddy play with me?” Susie sobs into her mom’s shoulder.

“Your daddy is still getting used to being home again after fighting in the war,” she says, gathering her close. “He heard a lot of loud noises and saw

some pretty scary stuff. Instead of surprising Daddy like that, why don’t you show him the games on your closet shelf?”

Steve hears them talking and tries to shake off the familiar hopelessness, fearing he’ll never be the man he once was. He picks up his Bible and reads the verse he underlined that morning:

“The LORD is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts, and I am helped; my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to him” (Psalm 28:7 ESV).

He closes his Bible and prays. He knows it’ll take time, but eventually, with God’s help, support from his family and professional counseling, he will learn how to manage his PTSD symptoms.

I think about our service men and women like Steve in our fictional story, especially when I see TV ads that ask for support for our wounded veterans. I wonder how they’re coping after returning from war.

How do they deal with post-traumatic stress disorder? What is it like having to re-learn to dress themselves with a severe brain injury? Or to raise a child after losing their sight? Or to hug their spouse with two prosthetic arms? These are all reasons to pray for our wounded veterans and their families.

Most of us will never know such hardship. I doubt we’ll ever be able to appreciate our service men and women (and their families’) sacrifice enough — much less know how to express our gratitude.

But I hope we — as a nation and individually — will never stop seeking ways to do so.

Sheryl H. Boldt is a faith columnist and the author of the blog [www.TodayCanBeDifferent.net](http://www.TodayCanBeDifferent.net). You can reach her at [SherylHBoldt@gmail.com](mailto:SherylHBoldt@gmail.com).

Second Harvest to hold emergency food distribution amid SNAP benefit losses

Erin Hill  
Gadsden County News Service

Second Harvest of the Big Bend will host an emergency food distribution Thursday, Nov. 6, at Governor’s Square Mall in response to the loss of SNAP benefits affecting thousands of local families during the ongoing federal government shutdown.

The distribution will begin at 4 p.m. and continue while supplies last at 1500 Apalachee Parkway. Each household will receive frozen protein, fresh produce, pantry staples, milk and

bread.

According to Second Harvest, more than 96,000 individuals across the Big Bend region have lost access to federal nutrition benefits, leaving many struggling to feed their families.

“This shutdown has created a ripple effect across our community, and the need for emergency food is greater than ever,” said Monique Ellsworth, CEO of Second Harvest of the Big Bend. “We’re grateful for our community partners and volunteers who are stepping up to make sure no one goes hungry.”

The organization



is also supporting partner agencies hosting additional food distributions throughout its 16-county service area. Residents can find local distribution sites by visiting [fightinghunger.org/find-food](http://fightinghunger.org/find-food).

Second Harvest’s emergency efforts are made possible through donations from individuals and organizations. Those wishing to contribute can visit [fightinghunger.org](http://fightinghunger.org) and click “Give Now.”

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NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED: SAMANTHA STARKS-HARRISON

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A1 A1 I1 L1 D2 M3 R1

E1 E1 E1 D2 B3 W4 D2

A1 E1 U1 L1 P3 K5 M3

E1 E1 I1 M3 C3 D2 N1

RACK 1

RACK 2

RACK 3

RACK 4

PAR SCORE 175-185  
BEST SCORE 232

FOUR RACK TOTAL  
TIME LIMIT: 20 MIN

DIRECTIONS: Make a 2- to 7-letter word from the letters in each row. Add points of each word, using scoring directions at right. Finally, 7-letter words get 50-point bonus. "Blanks" used as any letter have no point value. All the words are in the Official SCRABBLE® Players Dictionary, 5th Edition. SOLUTION TOMORROW

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**EDITORS:** Here is the solution to today's SCRABBLEGRAM. You can print the solution on the same day elsewhere in your paper, or beneath the following day's puzzle. If you choose to run the solution elsewhere in the same day's newspaper, insert the appropriate type (below) over the SOLUTION TOMORROW line in the puzzle.

5	9		7	4		1
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**Across**

1 Duel invitation  
5 Advanced  
9 Donnybrook  
14 Bring (down)  
15 Farm  
16 Harris of NPR's «Pop Culture Happy Hour»  
17 Target of some orthodontic work  
19 Keypad key

20 Taxi driver?  
22 Louganis who is the only man to sweep the diving events in consecutive Olympics  
23 Deux et trois  
24 Burning  
26 Operative  
28 Ones on a roll  
29 «\_\_ in there»  
30 Part of Reno's

nickname  
31 Brew made with warm fermentation  
32 Authority on acts of congress  
33 Letters with a link, maybe  
36 Some banners  
37 Satyr kin  
38 Propulsion devices  
41 Prepares for a break  
42 Tight squeezes  
43 \_\_ sock  
44 Terse confirmation  
45 Public image  
49 Lets  
51 Tick off  
52 Flag  
53 Edge (into)  
54 Weldon of NPR's «Pop Culture Happy Hour»  
55 Boyo  
56 Really go downhill  
57 2021 US Open winner Raducanu

**Down**

1 Important element in lath and plaster  
construction  
2 «RuPaul's Drag Race» guest judge Love  
3 Finish line?  
4 Leaf \_\_  
5 Letters of orientation  
6 NHL great Lindros  
7 «This isn't about you»  
8 Elementary school grads, typically  
9 PDA participant, possibly  
10 Curl  
11 Off the mark  
12 Allergy sound  
13 Cup sizes  
18 Fulminate  
21 Ones using yard sticks?  
25 Top  
26 Clicking sound?  
27 Actress Gadot  
28 Parlor game that produces a Bacon number  
30 Pummel  
32 Casual meeting  
33 «What were they thinking» gesture  
34 Guffaw  
35 Connections

36 Harlem Renaissance figure  
37 Creator of Imperial Easter eggs  
38 Classic Fords  
39 Straight  
40 Spoil, perhaps

41 Rock, in a way  
43 On the clock  
46 Circuit component  
47 Article  
48 «Peacemaker» star John  
50 Notice

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## Cherokee Nation (Eastern Band)

Did you know that archaeologists think the first people to live in North America were the Paleo-Indians? At the end of the last Ice Age (around 12,000 years ago) these people moved from Asia into North America on a land bridge that existed then. It is believed that they lived in small family groups and moved constantly to **hunt** animals like the mastodon (an elephant-like animal that is now extinct) and to **gather** foods like berries and nuts. Arrowheads for spears and other tools mark places where they lived.

In the Archaic period (8,000 to 1,000 BCE), families had homes with wooden poles covered with hides, which could be **moved**. In the spring they would move to the river valleys to **fish** and **collect** shellfish. In the fall they would move to the forest to hunt deer or turkey and gather nuts and berries. Archaeologists have studied **tools**, soapstone bowls, burial grounds and pottery to understand these people's ways.

In a more recent period, Woodland Indians, people are thought to have had villages as well as seasonal camps. **Corn**, a key part of the Indian diet, was introduced. The first evidence for the bow and arrow were found. It is believed that people were **trading**: salt, beads, shells, fish, pottery and animal skins.

During the next period, Mississippian Indians, settlements became more permanent. Squash, corn and beans, known as the **Three Sisters**, were important and foods from hunting and gathering were now added to the foods harvested from gardens. Beautiful **jewelry** and pottery were created too.

After 1650, when Europeans arrived, there were years of both peace and fighting. In 1836, the U.S. Senate accepted a **treaty** signed by a small group of **Cherokee** to sell their land and the Cherokee were forced to leave the east to be **resettled** in Oklahoma. They were expected to walk 1,000 miles to get there! On this hard walk, now called the "Trail of Tears," an estimated 4,000-8,000 people died. Some Cherokee refused to move and **hid** in the mountains. Many of their descendants now live on Qualla Boundary, a preserve.

About 15,000 Cherokee Indians live in North Carolina, mostly on tribal land. The town of Cherokee is in the Great Smoky Mountains.

Find the 14 words or phrases in **bold print** in Forest's story. Fit them into the crossword.

## Sequoyah Invents a Cherokee Alphabet

Sequoyah was a young Cherokee who learned how to work with silver. He wanted to sign his work like the European silversmiths did, so he visited Chief Charles Hicks, who could write in English. After Sequoyah learned to write his name using the alphabet, he began to think about creating a writing system for the Cherokee language. With it, they would be able to read and write letters, write down stories and record their history. He created a system where each sound was represented by a symbol, so each letter was a syllable of a word. His system was easy to use and many Cherokee learned to read and write using it.

Sequoyah liked papers and books since they could be used to exchange ideas.

**Follow the color key to see what he called them:**

- B = Brown
- G = Green
- O = Orange
- R = Red
- Y = Yellow

## Cherokee Nation (Eastern Band)

### Sequoyah Invents an Alphabet

Sequoyah liked papers and books since they could be used to exchange ideas. He called them:

#### Arts and Crafts

1. pottery	A. woven from river cane, white oak or honeysuckle
2. beadwork	B. carved from maple, cherry, butternut
3. doll	C. formed from clay, fired in pits of wood fires
4. baskets	D. made of glass, used on clothing and for jewelry
5. wooden items	E. traditionally made from tree bark, gourd or animal fur
6. belt made by finger weaving	F. may be made of buffalo fur, mulberry bark, some beads
7. masks	G. carved from soapstone, pipestone (a clay stone used for making pipes)
8. stone artwork	H. may be made with stone, silver, beads
9. jewelry	I. made from cornshucks, cloth

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Don't Peak. Puzzles on page A5.

Puzzle Solutions

SLAP	LENT	BRAWL
STONE	GROW	AISHA
UNDER	BITE	ENTER
DISPATCHER	GREG	
CINQ	INABLAZE	
AGENT	SNAKEEYES	
HANG	BIGGEST	
ALE	SEXPERT	FYI
HEADERS	FAUN	
THRUSTERS	RACKS	
BEARHUGS	TUBE	
ITIS	PROFILEPIC	
RENTS	ENUMERATE	
DROOP	EASE	GLEN
SONNY	SLED	EMMA

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6	1	3	4	9	8	2	5	7
2	8	7	5	4	9	3	1	6
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SCRABBLE GRAMS SOLUTION									
A <sub>1</sub>	D <sub>2</sub>	M <sub>3</sub>	I <sub>1</sub>	R <sub>1</sub>	A <sub>1</sub>	L <sub>1</sub>	RACK 1 =	60	
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M <sub>3</sub>	A <sub>1</sub>	K <sub>5</sub>	E <sub>1</sub>	U <sub>1</sub>	P <sub>3</sub>		RACK 3 =	42	
E <sub>1</sub>	N <sub>1</sub>	D <sub>2</sub>	E <sub>1</sub>	M <sub>3</sub>	I <sub>1</sub>	C <sub>3</sub>	RACK 4 =	62	
TOTAL							232		
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# 7 ways to honor active military and veterans

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A major portion of the North American population is comprised of people who are actively serving in the Armed Forces or those who once did. USAFacts reports the military included 2,079,142 military personnel and 778,539 civilians as of September 2023. In 2023, the U.S. Census Bureau estimated there were 15.8 million veterans in the U.S. In Canada, the 2021 Census of Population found that 97,625 Canadians were serving in the Canadian Armed Forces while 461,240 Canadians were characterized as veterans. Military men and women work tirelessly and selflessly to defend their countries' ideals and freedoms. Too often military members do not get the attention and acclaim they deserve. The month of May, which celebrates Military Appreciation Month as well as Memorial Day, is a perfect time of year to honor those who have served in various ways.

- Improve the community. Veterans want the communities they call home to be the best they can be, and that can be achieved by community members pitching in to improve their towns and cities. Doing something honorable, like establishing a park in honor of veterans, can be a great way to improve a community and honor service personnel at the same time.
- Support veteran-friendly policies. By supporting policies and organizations that prioritize veterans' rights, individuals are showing veterans they care. Policies that ensure veterans have access to services they need warrant everyone's support.
- Donate to a nonprofit

that supports veterans. Many charities do important work to bridge the gap in care or services needed by veterans or active military members. Using hard-earned dollars to fund these nonprofits is money well spent.

- Ask a veteran to be a keynote speaker. Schools or businesses can ask military members to come in and speak to groups about their experiences. Newspapers and other local publications can write about veterans and share their stories.
- Pay respects to the country. A simple way to honor veterans is to embrace and showcase national pride. Flying the country's flag in front of homes and businesses is a first step. Attending patriotic events, such as parades and memorials, also is a way to honor veterans and others.
- Keep cemeteries clean. Respect the hallowed land that is the final resting place for veterans by volunteering to tidy up around headstones and other markers. On key calendar dates, such as Memorial Day, help with the placement of flags on every veteran's grave as a token of thanks for their sacrifice.
- Volunteer at a VA hospital. Now more than ever VA hospitals may be short-staffed and have need of more volunteers to help with various services. Volunteer work can include visiting patients or running recreational activities, both of which can boost the spirits of veterans receiving care.

Honoring veterans and other military personnel doesn't have to be difficult. Beyond a simple "thank you," there are many steps people can take to show their gratitude to active military personnel and veterans.



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LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

<p>See <i>Legal</i> from page B2</p> <p><b>IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR GADSDEN COUNTY, FLORIDA</b></p> <p>IN RE: FORFEITURE OF: 2019 Toyota Tundra (white) VIN: 5TFDW5F17KX830269 CASE# 25-CA-780</p> <p>Owner/Claimant: Barry James Blanton II</p> <p>NOTICE OF FORFEITURE PROCEEDINGS TO ALL PERSONS who claim an interest in the above-described property, which was seized on or about September 30, 2025 in Chattahoochee Florida. Said property is in the custody of Chattahoochee Police Department. Any owner, entity, bona fide lien-holder, or person in possession of the property when seized has the right to request a preliminary adversarial hearing from the Circuit Court within 15 days of initial receipt of notice, with notice to Casey Bigelow, Attorney for the City of Chattahoochee. A Petition for final order of forfeiture has been or will be filed in the above styled Court. Casey Bigelow, Esq., FL BAR 84887 22 Lincoln Drive, Chattahoochee, Florida, 32324 (850)663-4046 2t: 10/30, 11/6</p> <p><b>IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR GADSDEN COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO.: 25000572CAA</b></p> <p>FREEDOM MORTGAGE CORPORATION PLAINTIFF, VS.</p>	<p>RENA WARREN-KENON A/K/A RENA WARREN KENON, ET AL., DEFENDANT(S).</p> <p>NOTICE OF ACTION</p> <p>TO: Rena Warren-Kenon A/K/A Rena Warren Kenon Last Known Address: 3843 S Bristol ST. STE 134 Santa Ana CA 92704 Current Residence: UNKNOWN</p> <p>TO: Rena Warren-Kenon A/K/A Rena Warren Kenon Last Known Address: 54 Carmen Maria Ln, Quincy, FL 32351 Current Residence: UNKNOWN</p> <p>TO: Rena Warren-Kenon A/K/A Rena Warren Kenon Last Known Address: 117 Mossy Oaks 4TH St Quincy FL 32351 Current Residence: UNKNOWN</p> <p>TO: Rena Warren-Kenon A/K/A Rena Warren Kenon Last Known Address: 4428 Mount Pleasant RD Quincy FL 32352 Current Residence: UNKNOWN</p> <p>TO: Unknown Spouse of Rena Warren-Kenon A/K/A Rena Warren Kenon Last Known Address: C/O The Retention Group, Registered Agent, 3843 S Bristol St. Ste 134, Santa Ana, CA 92704 Current Residence: UNKNOWN</p> <p>TO: Unknown Spouse of Rena Warren-Kenon A/K/A Rena Warren Kenon Last Known Address: 54 Carmen Maria LN Quincy FL 32351. Current Residence: UNKNOWN</p> <p>TO: Unknown Spouse of Rena Warren-Kenon A/K/A Rena Warren Kenon Last Known Address: 117 Mossy Oaks 4th ST Quincy FL 32351. Current Residence: UNKNOWN</p> <p>TO: Unknown Spouse of Rena Warren-Kenon A/K/A Rena Warren Kenon Last Known Address: 4428 Mount Pleasant RD Quincy FL 32352. Current Residence: UNKNOWN</p> <p>YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for Foreclosure of Mortgage on the following described property:</p>	<p>LOT 3, BLOCK A, CARMEN MARIA SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGE(S) 178-180, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF GADSDEN COUNTY, FLORIDA. ]</p> <p>has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it, on MILLER, GEORGE &amp; SUGGS, PLLC, Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 210 N. University Drive, Suite 900, Coral Springs, FL 33071, on or before November 30, 2005 within or before a date at least thirty (30) days after the first publication of this Notice in the Havana Herald, 103 W 7th Avenue, Havana, FL 32333 and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint</p> <p>If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in a court proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Office of Court Administration at (850) 577-4401, or at the Leon County Courthouse, Room 225, 301 S. Monroe Street, Tallahassee, FL 32301 within 2 working days of receipt of a notice compelling you to appear at a court proceeding; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.</p> <p>The ADA Coordinator for the courts in Leon County is Doug Smith. He may be reached at (850) 577-4444 or through the Florida Relay Service, TDD at 1-800- 955-8771. The address for the Office of Court Administration is: Leon County Courthouse, 301 S. Monroe Street, Room 225, Tallahassee, FL 32301. In all other counties in the circuit please contact the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office and ask for the ADA Coordinator. The Clerk's number is included on each county page.</p> <p>WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court this 21 day of October, 2025.</p> <p>(Seal) NICHOLAS THOMAS As Clerk of Court By: Charlotte Willeby As Deputy Clerk Publish: Havana Herald, 103 W 7th Avenue, Havana, FL 32333 2t: 10/30, 11/6</p>
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4 Travel Tips for Overcoming Holiday Hurdles

A trip to visit loved ones or a holiday-themed vacation with your nearest and dearest can create magical memories, but first, you’ve got to get there. If the thought of holiday travel makes you nauseous, rest assured – a little planning and the right resources can help your festive getaway go smoother.

Overcome the hustle and bustle of the busiest travel season of the year with this expert advice.

**Protect Yourself from Illnesses**

The holidays intertwine with cold and flu season, meaning staying healthy on your trip is a must. Travel can be physically draining, which makes you more susceptible to common illnesses. However, some general health tips can go a long way, such as:

- Wash your hands: Between plane rides, rental cars and hotel rooms, you’re going to handle frequently touched objects in public spaces. Carry

hand sanitizer and be sure to thoroughly wash your hands regularly with soap and warm water.

- Pack medications: It’s critical to pack prescribed medications, no doubt, but consider bringing along over-the-counter vitamins and cold medicine so you’re prepared for anything.
- Consult your doctor: Ask your doctor about any vaccinations you may need, especially if traveling internationally. It’s important to get all recommended shots and treatments prior to departure.

on to receipts that show dates and payments to make the claim process a breeze.

**Overcome Jet Lag**

Air travel can disrupt sleep patterns, particularly if you’re flying across multiple time zones, causing difficulty sleeping and irritability. Be mindful of caffeine and alcohol intake, which can further impact sleep patterns. Exposure to light at the appropriate times can help reset your circadian rhythm while a low-dose melatonin can produce mild sleepiness if you’re having trouble catching some Z’s.

Traveling west is easiest on your internal clock as you “gain time” heading westward; in contrast, flying east requires shifting the timing of your body clock to make up for the “lost time.” Leading up to eastward travel, try going to bed and waking up earlier.

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