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THE TUPELO HONEY FESTIVAL WAS A BIG SUCCESS!

by Tom Wynn

The annual “Wewa family reunion” happened on a very pretty day. The air was filled with fun and love for those that went. The Wewahitchka Historical Society and the Friends of the Library reported the park was full of folks from all over the nation. It was considered by most as the largest Tupelo Honey Festival ever! Lake Alice Park is in the middle of the sweetest little city in Florida, full of old Oak Trees.



(Photo Courtesy of Peggy Wilson)

A fun day was had by all! The Tupelo Honey Festival to me has always been a day of “Family Reunion.” We all pray you made it home safe, come back next year, and bring your grandkids too!

Wewahitchka Historical Society Requests Help from Gulf County Board of Commissioners

by Linda Rozier Davis

On May 23, 2023, the Gulf County Board of Commissioners very graciously and unanimously approved a request from the Wewahitchka Historical Society. President Ann Rish Johnson and Mrs. Linda Rozier Davis, a member of the group, asked that the Board authorize our Society to access the abandoned cemeteries at Iola, to find their original boundaries, to restore and replace damaged or destroyed grave markers, to clear and clean overgrowth and debris, and to maintain these historic cemeteries. They asked that the County Attorney write a letter to the current landowner, Teal Timber, LLC, informing them of the Board’s decision. The County Attorney agreed to write a letter requesting Teal Timber to allow us access to these cemeteries and to set aside about two acres for the Wewahitchka Historical Society to search for evidence of human remains and grave markers as well as the activities described in the first request. Future articles will be published as future events come into play on the matter.

City Of Wewahitchka Comp-Plan Is Complete!

by Tom Wynn

The City Comp plan has been updated and approved by a 3 to 0 vote of the City Board in the May city meeting. It is available at the City Hall for anyone that needs a copy or requires it for the valuable information it has about the city. It is an amazing work and has much information needed to make future planning of the city streets and roads, etc. Contact the City Clerk Ms. Rachel Jackson to obtain a copy. It is a very interesting document. Its value comes into play when the city requests Federal and State grants, or new construction within the city limits.

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THE OLD BORDERS HOME IS GONE FOREVER!

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Seniors have fun painting like Picasso

by Tom Wynn

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Senior Citizens of Wewahitchka Happenings!

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FRIENDS OF THE WEWAHITCHKA LIBRARY

by Carol Childress

Friends of the Wewahitchka Library event:

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Located at the Honey Hole Restaurant on Highway 22 Cash bar of delicious food and drinks. Arrive early! Seats are limited. Purchase your ticket at our local library. \$20.00 buys 24 bingo tickets. All proceeds go toward helping our library purchase needed books, crafts, furniture and supplies. Come out for a fun night of food, bingo and delicious food!

NOTICE

The Friends of the Library June and July meetings are cancelled. The Friends of the Wewahitchka Library is a 501c3 organization founded to aid our local library with volunteers, programs, and funding to purchase needed furniture, crafts, office supplies and books. The Friends renewed the Ancestry.com subscription for the library, so you can research and discover your family tree. We need volunteers to help with the library's Native Garden Landscape. CC

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THE WEWA LIBRARY

by Joyelle Linton



The Charles Whitehead Public Library is open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday 9:00-5:00 CT. Please call us at (850) 639-2419 for more information.

It's summer reading time at the Wewahitchka Library. An assortment of fun educational programs is scheduled for June and July. Exciting programs will be held for all ages!

For toddlers and preschoolers, programs will be held on Mondays at 10:00. School age programs will be held on Fridays at 3:00. Children will learn through stories, rhymes, songs, games and crafts. Many of these programs will have guest speakers. This year the library will offer tween and teen programs such as friendship and paracord bracelets, book club, and a

gaming day. Rock painting and a book club will be available for adults.

In addition to our summer reading program, the Wewahitchka Library is starting a weekly Lego Club. The age recommendation is for 4-12, however anyone is welcome. This program will begin on Thursday June 22 at 11:00 and will meet every Thursday. If you would like more information on any of this summer's programs, please contact us at (850) 639-2419. The current event calendar is available online at www.nwrls.com. JL

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LATEST UPDATE ON NEW EMERGENCY RADIO ASSOCIATION

by Tom Wynn

A group of worried locals have decided to create a new organization to make sure we have emergency communications in our local area of the Panhandle, during the next big event. The local HAM Radio Operators have agreed to aid the new group with the project. From the Gulf County Sheriff's office to about 45 miles north of Wewa up Hwy 71 North is their goal of contact. Folks as far as I-10, north of Wewa to White City area are interested in having communication with one another in case a need arises. If anyone is interested in joining the group, please contact: **Mr. Dudley Balmer** at: **317-379-1644**. Your cost would be \$160 dollars for radio and antenna. (Radioddity email address: www.radioddity.com) TW



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JOSHUA 9:1

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The pot was so little he jumped in the kettle;

The kettle was so black he jumped in the crack;

The crack was so high he jumped in the sky;

The sky was so blue he jumped in the canoe;

The canoe was so long he jumped in the pond;

The pond was so deep he jumped in the creek;

The creek was so shallow he jumped in the tallow;

The tallow was so hard he jumped in the lard;

The lard was so soft he jumped in the loft;

The loft was so rotten he jumped in the cotton;

The cotton was so white he stayed there all night.

Submitted by Mr. B. Scott Bozeman

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by Tom Wynn



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Ms. Melissa Myers soon after started working there. Melissa has lived in Wewa for 42 years and of those years she has made thousands of Subway sandwiches for the folks in Wewa and those that come and go through the city. Most likely Melissa has made you a sandwich at one time or another.

In an interview Melissa said, "I have been working for subway 25 years, the love of my life. I really enjoy what I do, and I love the friendly community I live and work in. I have 2 lovely kids, and an adopted child as

well. I hope to keep on going for some more years to be the best sandwich artist that I am today for several more years. I am a hard-working lady and I love my job and my hometown of Wewa.” TW

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GULF COUNTY BROKE AWAY FROM CALHOUN COUNTY IN 1925...A BIT OF HISTORY OF OUR NEIGHBOR TO THE NORTH OF US by Tom Wynn

The county that we parted ways with back in 1925 was named for John C. Calhoun, a member of the United States Senate from South Carolina and the seventh U.S. vice president, serving under John Quincy Adams and Andrew Jackson. The County is in the Northwest area of the state along with Gulf County and Franklin County, which is just south of Gulf County proper. All three counties were one before the splits.

Our courthouse was first located in what was and is called today “Abe Springs”. There was not much there but the county government at the time and even still today, only a few houses. It is a peaceful place to drive by on Highway 275.

It was soon burnt to the ground and the county seat moved to Blountstown, named after a local Creek Indian Chieftain, who was in the eyes of the U.S. Government a hero, helping to move the Seminoles out and further down south in Florida, (as a boy I got to

meet some Seminoles including their wives and kids. I still have a small bat that was made by them, it is very colorful and well made by hand). My father took me everywhere nearly every weekend to museums and places of interest in the south of Florida on his days off.

The Chief and his tribe reward was the land we call Blountstown today. They moved from Iola north to Blountstown area, which was high ground.

So, it was not long this part of Florida grew and grew into a place of mills, the commercial honey industry, fruit trees and just about anything that had to do with water, fresh and salt water, old growth trees, cows and turpentine, making this area of the Florida a busy place.

Boats and paddle boats were busy moving things and people up and down the rivers, streams and lakes. The fishing industry was growing fast as well, soon fishing boats were everywhere.

So, the court records of the citizens were burnt to the ground, which did not make too many people happy about the events in play. With the courthouse burning down, property records and marriage records etc. were lost to the ash pile.

If you are interested, you can go learn more about Calhoun County by going to the Pioneer Settlement found in Blountstown. It is a fun place to visit, and the local historians can help with their vast knowledge of the area, no telling, you may be related to them.

Calhoun County was created on the 26th of January in 1838, from Franklin County. Blountstown is the county seat today and is a busy small town like Wewahitchka. Dig more and learn more about this amazing place. Keep in mind, we used to be one with Calhoun and Franklin Counties, we are blood! So, love one another as yourself. Be kind and enjoy knowing and learning your local history.

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!



(Photo by Larry Basford, State Attorney, 14th Judicial District)

SAVE OUR OLD COURTHOUSE PETITION GETS MANY SIGNATURES AT THE TUPELO FESTIVAL

Wewahitchka Historical Society Booth at Tupelo Honey Festival Garners Enormous Enthusiasm *Article submitted to The Wewa News by guest writer Linda Rozier Davis*

The Wewahitchka Historical Society had a great day at the Tupelo Honey Festival on Saturday, May 20, 2023. One hundred seventy-eight signatures were given by citizens who support saving the Old Courthouse, which was built in 1927(started in 1925 and completed in 1927, the foreman for the project was Mr. Frank Rish).

Six pages (one hundred thirty-eight signatures) were collected from people who believe the black and white cemeteries at Iola should be cleaned and restored. We ran out of signature pages for these projects because we underestimated the tremendous amount of support for both. A member of the Panama City Beach Search and Rescue Team volunteered to use cadaver dogs to search these cemeteries. Larry Basford, State Attorney, 14th Judicial District, seemed impressed with our enthusiasm and our historic preservation activities. He said it is a crime to destroy human remains and grave markers.

Several men signed our list asking for persons who had seen grave markers at the Iola Cemetery. We need **photos** of any grave markers at Iola. So far, our Society



has not received any photographs. If you know anything about the removal or destruction of grave markers at either of the Iola Cemeteries, please contact our President, Ann Rish Johnson. See contact info below.

Many people shared happy memories about the early history of Iola and Wewa and about their families who lived there decades ago. Our Society collected names and contact info so that we can interview and record this information later.

Over \$400 was received from our fundraisers. Bottles of water were available for one dollar each. Our Wewahitchka Afghans with historic icons are still available for \$48 each. Gorgeous reprints of Dead Lakes photographs, taken by Matt Godwin and framed by Stuart Resmondo, range in price from \$45 to \$65, depending on the size. Every lover of Wewa needs one of these! Our latest fundraiser, the "In Paradise" pamphlet, is also one of our historic, educational projects.

The original pamphlet, which was printed in 1892, is in the State Library of Florida in Tallahassee and was an advertisement for Lake View Hotel on the Dead Lakes side of Iola. The State Library emailed me a copy. Neither UPS, the State Library nor I could print it as a pamphlet from our computers. After many hours of printing pages, cutting and taping, I finally arranged the pages so that the pamphlet could be printed in mass.

For a minimum donation of \$3.00, this pamphlet can be yours. It will take you back in history to the late 1890s and early 1900s in Iola. You will learn about the steamboat trips on the Apalachicola River and the health-restoring environment on the Dead Lakes (first called Chipola Lake). Both young and old will enjoy reading this little pamphlet.

Saving Our Old Courthouse and Restoring the Iola Cemeteries are just two of the 20 projects that our Society is working on. We need your help! Come and join us at the former Corner Café on Main Street in Wewa at 6:00 pm, the third Thursday of each month. Let's work together to save the history of Wewahitchka and the surrounding areas! If you want a membership application, an Afghan, a Dead Lakes photo, an Iola pamphlet or want to volunteer your time or equipment, contact President Ann Rish Johnson (850) 867-5970).

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AD VALOREM TAX ON YOUR PROPERTY

by Mitch Burke, CFA
Gulf County Property Appraiser

If you spend any time dealing with property tax, you are probably used to hearing "ad valorem" and "property" tax used interchangeably.

AD VALOREM DEFINITION

Ad valorem translates from Latin to "according to value," so it makes sense that ad valorem taxes are based on the assessed value of the item in question. In Florida, property taxes and real estate taxes are also known as ad valorem taxes. You may be most accustomed to hearing ad valorem in reference to property taxes, such as real estate or personal property.

Gulf County property taxes provide for some of the funding for local governments for such needed services such as education, law enforcement, and public works. Without property taxes many of the services provided by local government would not be available.

The property appraiser is not the person who decides the amount of taxes levied. The property appraiser's responsibilities are to:

- 1) Locate, identify, and accurately appraise all properties subject to ad valorem taxation.
- 2) Maintain the property value roll; and
- 3) Process allowable exemptions. Those who are responsible are known as the taxing authorities, examples being the county commission, school board, city municipalities, fire districts and water management districts.

Florida law requires the property appraiser to provide each taxpayer with a TRIM (Truth in Millage) notice. Although the TRIM notice is not a tax bill, it is intended to notify property owners of possible changes that may appear on the November tax bill. During this

time Property owners are encouraged to review their TRIM notice. The time to review your assessment is during the TRIM process not after you have received your "Official tax" bill. This TRIM notice is sent out to all property owners each year in August. Three separate government entities each having unique and distinct duties take part in producing your November tax bill.

First, the Property Appraiser annually appraises all property in Gulf County at market value as of January 1 of each year. Next, each taxing authority within Gulf County sets their own millage rate based on the amount of tax dollars necessary to fund their annual budget. And lastly, the Tax Collector takes the amount of taxes due to bill and collects all taxes levied within Gulf County. If our office can help in any way and or answer any questions, please do not hesitate to give us a call at 850-229-6115.

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WHO CAME TO FLORIDA FROM SPAIN? JUAN PONCE DE LEON (1474 - 1521)

Juan Ponce de Leon was a Spanish military officer, who arrived here in the Tampa Bay area. He was also a statesman known as the first governor of Puerto Rico and the leader of Europe's first expedition to what we call "Florida."

He was very instrumental as the founder of the oldest city in America, St. Augustine on the East Coast of North Florida. As a boy, I grew up in St. Augustine when my father was between semesters a Bible College student in mid central Florida. He and my mother were attending bible college when I was 5 months old until I was 3 and half, then he went in the USCG Aviation and off to Miami. He would work at Fairchild Aircraft as an Electronics Repairman and Installer. So, my summers for three years were fun, and I got to learn history up front and personal and sat on Cannons too!

Little is known about his Juan's youth other than his noble birth and early entry into Spanish military affairs. In 1493, he arrived with Christopher Columbus's second expedition as a "gentleman volunteer." In the years that followed Ponce de Leon would help crush a Native Taino rebellion on

Hispanola in 1502, before leading a conquest of Puerto Rico and becoming its first governor as a result.

By 1521, he embarked on his final voyage to Florida, which is named as such thanks to Ponce De Leon. After trying to settle in a permanent colony between present-day Charlotte Harbor and the Caloosahatchee River, Ponce De Leon met his match, in the fierce warrior culture of the Calusa people, who mortally wounded him. Ponce De Leon would succumb to his wounds after escaping to Havana, Cuba. Though not an objectively positive influence, as such is to be expected from colonial affairs in centuries past, Ponce De Leon is without question one of the most important people in Florida's history and you could say he was one of our founding fathers.

Ponce De Leon (Leon means Lion, thus a Lion that jumps (Ponce) on his prey or the Lion that swoops down on his prey, the pouncing Lion) Following his treacherous capture, being lured under the guise of a peacemaking agreement, Ponce De Leon most notably spent time in the Castillo de San Marcos (or The Castle of St. Mark), the prominent St. Augustine Landmark, before his death at Fort Moultrie in Charleston, South Carolina from an internal infection, most likely malaria, and or from his arrow wound to this thigh, he soon passed away in July of 1521 in Havana Cuba another source said.

WHO WAS OSCEOLA (1804-05 - 1838)



Osceola is the most famous Native American in Florida's history. Born to a Muscogee mother with Scottish paternal lineage (The Native Chiefs would marry off their daughters to "Free Men" in order for them not to be sent off to Oklahoma, later known as "The Trail of Tears"), Osceola migrated to Florida following defeat in the 1814 Creek Wars, with family and Red Stick refugees establishing what would later become the Seminole people (to the best of my knowledge, the Seminole people have never signed a treaty with the US Government). The Red Sticks were known as such due to red-painted war clubs, and traditionalist resistance to American encroachment.

The Capital of Louisiana, Baton Rouge, is French for Red Club, or Red Baton (Rouge=Red and Baton=Bat or Club, a weapon). While initially a Civil War amongst the Creeks, with the issue surrounding the willingness to cooperate or resist American colonialism, the U.S. became involved and drove the Red Sticks to the southeast. Living during the 1832 Trail of Tears, one of the great atrocities in American history, Osceola led the Seminole resistance to their forced removal to Native lands west of the Mississippi River.

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WRITE A LETTER

By Grandpa Tom

A Word of Encouragement

It has been many years since I sat down and wrote a basic letter to anyone. I mean the kind I used to write to my dear wife when I was in Boot Camp (we were still dating) when we were teens or when I was in Antarctica. Oh, how much I would write how I loved her dearly. How I could not wait to get home to her. Love Letters, and just giving the daily news of what was happening in my life down under.

With the modern world we rarely just sit down and write a letter to someone we love. Mom or Dad or a friend, telling them just how much they mean to us. Have we lost our way folks? Have we become so busy that we cannot write a letter or even a love letter to our Loved ones.

Have we become so high tech that we cannot sit down and write what we feel, smell, taste and see to someone we care about? Shouldn't we stop the world and think, what happened to us? Have we gone COLD? Are we so busy that we cannot stop for just a moment and talk to our Creator, our spouse, our loved ones, and tell them just how much we love them, care for them and miss them if they are not close by. How about just walking up to a dear friend and telling them how much you love them and enjoy their company.

You know that friend next door, have you told them how much you love them and are glad they are your friend and neighbor?

When are we going to start writing those letters again, giving a part of our own heart to those that should be hearing from us?

Just think, stop and feel for a moment in time. Give yourself a break and give someone you love a call, send them an old-fashioned letter and say what they need to hear from you. That you love them, care about them and think often about them. And tell them how valuable they are to you and to your family.

It will only take you a few minutes and a half a buck from your pocket to send a handwritten letter through the U.S. Mail, or even a printed typed letter. Now make sure you sign it with your own hand and go ahead and put that heart or those kisses at the bottom.

We only live here for a short time, then judgment comes. Make the most of your time while you still can. Visit a friend in the hospital, tell your pastor that you are glad to see him this week. Wave at your neighbor like I do.

Go sit on their porch and ask them what is new today in their lives. Enjoy each other while it is still daylight. The time is coming when we may not be able to do these things.

The World is worrisome and becoming more and more dangerous. Take the time to write that letter. Talk to a stranger, tell that waitress you are thankful for her service to you, or that server or the teller at the bank. Be of good cheer! Love each other and yourself. With all Sincerity, Grandpa Tom :)



(Photo courtesy of Peggy Wilson)

THE TUPELO HONEY FESTIVAL

**The Queen Bee is marked with red paint, thus
easier to see and observe.**

**"The press was to serve the governed, not the
governors." U.S. Supreme Court Justice Hugo
Black in New York Times Co. v. United States
(1971)**

LET THE LETTER SPEAK FOR ITSELF, FREEDOM OF SPEECH AND OF THE PRESS ARE IN QUESTION HERE, FOLKS...TW

RESIGNATION EXPECTED

By Dudley Balmer Ham Radio Operator
Radio N5WTZ

“An appointed position serving the Gulf County residents one would think would be held as a public trust with dedication to serving those residents. Not so with Gulf Co. Emergency Management Director Matt Herring. After four years of our formerly active emergency management office being removed from its appointed service of emergency preparedness training, local and regional emergency radio communication capability and general accessibility to the taxpayer purchased radio equipment, the current status show Mr. Herring has failed miserably.

In 2022 I wrote three letters to Mr. Herring requesting the status of the radio equipment, the taxpayer equipped mobile trailer and accessibility and use of the building. These letters sent in June, August and September were ignored. In January of this year, I sent a similar letter to the state Emergency Director Kevin Guthrie. This letter likewise received no response. In February I hand delivered the same letter, this time signed by eight Wewahitchka community leaders to Director Guthrie. Though no response was received by me personally, the Gulf County office allowed a March local radio club meeting. The first such meeting to be held following the resignation of former director Marshall Nelson.

As a member of the GARS amateur radio organization and carrying my press pass representing **The Wewa News** I proceeded to attend this March meeting. Mr. Herring confronted me outside about recording him as a public official and taking pictures of the

county property during a public meeting. I questioned him as to the necessity of requiring the electric gate be closed during a public function. His response was that I was being trespassed off the property, that law enforcement would escort me to my vehicle and with this he entered the building locking the door behind him physically preventing my entry to the building.

This action has left himself and the county which he represents open to legal action with locking the press and an organization member out of a public meeting and trespassing a member of the press from public property.

Whether these actions of disregard are of his own incompetence and uncaring for our citizens or his cowering to a superior, his resignation is sought and expected.

As a pastor it grieves me to be placed in this situation. I have been privileged to serve in some capacity at many of our fine area churches. This is not a position I have sought or desired, but county negligence leaves little choice.

Because of the decisions and job performance of Mr. Herring, though we are designated as Gulf Co. we have none of the emergency preparedness capabilities as surrounding less vulnerable counties. As a new hurricane season approaches or for any other emergencies, natural or manmade, we are left at risk. Due to this individual's inaction, the citizens are left to establish their own county communication network as described previously in this paper. Whether by inability or by direction of a superior, this person, in order to prevent action against the county, and for the welfare of the people under his charge, must immediately submit his resignation.”

Pastor Dudley Balmer Radio N5WTZ

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The Friends of the Wewa Library's meet at the Wewa Library on the 2nd Thursday of each month, 9:30 AM. Come early and meet and greet with us in the conference room. Note: June and July meeting has been canceled.

Wewahitchka Historical Society meets every month on the Third Thursday at 6pm at the old Corner Café' building.

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