



Bay County Currents

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April Employee of the Month

Joel Jackson has been employed with Bay County Parks and Recreation Department since May 22, 2007. He is an outstanding and valuable team employee as a Parks Maintenance Worker. Weekly and Monthly Playground Safety inspections are one of the vital tools used by Parks and Recreation for the safety of ALL who use our parks and playgrounds. Joel takes this responsibility very seriously. To quote Joel, "I inspect the playgrounds as if it were one of my daughters out there playing".

Joel has devoted a considerable amount of his time maintaining detailed maintenance and repair records for the playgrounds. He has made a substantial contribution to the Parks & Recreation Department, lending his carpentry skills to every major project over the past year. He assisted in the construction of the County Pier boardwalks, the County's first skateboard park and off-leash dog park. He assisted with the Harder's Park Walking Trail project, constructing the bridge over No Name Creek and the foot bridges associated with the project. The County inherited Spring Avenue Park from Cedar Grove. Unfortunately the park had not been maintained. Our staff went in and totally revitalized the park, trimming trees, brushes, and installing a parking area with handicap accessibility throughout the park. Joel was assigned to oversee this major project and the finish results are great! He takes his job very seriously and is a vital player on our team. He never complains when asked to perform additional duties and he works very well with others. Todd Hanson, Joel's immediate supervisor, has a nick name for Joel. He is called "Ace". Todd said this came about because "I know I have a winning hand with Joel".

Joel Jackson continuously seeks to broaden his skills. Joel recently completed training and received his CDL Class A driving license. He also holds a Limited Commercial Pesticide Lawn & Ornamental certification. He is reliable and dedicated while performing his job duties and professional in his dealings with the public.



Bay County's Biggest Loser Mike Kelley: "I can see my toes!"



Allan (L) Congratulates Winner Mike (R)

Mike Kelley (Fleet), 1st quarter Biggest loser, said "Perfect timing, I had to do something." Mike did more than just something—he shed off a whopping 61.2 lbs, lowered his blood pressure by 10 points, and clocked an amazing 350 miles. When asked what he was most pleased with, he said, "I can see my toes!" Mike added that he can now breath and move around more easily. We asked what he did to achieve such success and he said he exercised 3 hours a day. Wow! What energy. We all admire Mike's determination.

Allan Golden (Planning) came in second place, losing 45 lbs. Allan credits Biggest Loser with lowering his blood pressure and making him feel good in general. He was able to start healthy eating habits and an exercise routine. Friends and family have noticed his accomplishments and compliment him frequently. Allen said, "I want to thank the County for establishing the Wellness Program. I will be participating in the 1.5 mile Walk/Run Challenge." Allan encourages all employees to attend.

Chris Lee (Roads) was our 3rd place winner losing 27lbs. At only 33 years-old, his family was extremely concerned because his blood pressure was too high for his age. Now his blood pressure is consistently in the normal range. Chris says his lifestyle has completely changed, "(I) don't want burgers and fries, I want salad and water."

Sheila Rooks (Engineering) 4th over all and 1st for the ladies. "I appreciate the County's efforts and encouragement of a healthy lifestyle and challenging us to be the biggest loser. I used the information from the weekly meetings towards my success but I found the participants to be so supportive and have made new friends from being a part of this activity."

In reality, all the contestants looked much healthier and energetic. Together, they lost 312 lbs. That's like losing two adults. We would like to thank all of our contestants for participating in this program. These competitors will continue in the program with quarterly weigh-ins. A grand prize will be awarded in December for the yearly male and female biggest loser. A new contest is slated to begin January 2010.

[Mike Nelson](#)

District I

[George B. Gainer](#)

District II

[William T. Dozier](#)

District III

[Jerry L. Girvin](#)

District IV

[Mike Thomas](#)

District V

Commission Meetings

April 7

9:00 a.m.

Panama City Hall

April 21

9:00 a.m.

Panama City Hall

County Manager's Corner

Well it is that time of year again: the Florida Legislature is in session, and for the last few years that has not necessarily been a good thing for local government. This year is no different, as there are many bills proposed that would affect our operations, mostly from a funding standpoint. One example is a bill that would tie the amount of new revenue received to inflation and new growth, which sounds wonderful to anyone who doesn't really take the time to consider the ramifications. Inflation rates do affect normal households, as we are all familiar with prices of goods going up each year. However, local governments don't go shopping at Winn-Dixie each week, or Kohl's or Target, etc. We purchase commodities in large quantities, and when the prices of those commodities increase, they often zoom much higher than bread or milk.

For example, the cost of chemicals we utilize at the water treatment plant went from roughly \$1.6 million last year to more than \$3 million this year. If the Legislature ties our hands (and budget) to arbitrary measures like the Consumer Price Index, it could force very tough decisions to be made by local governments throughout the state.

Stay tuned to see what other sausage is being made in Tallahassee. Never a dull moment.

Ed Smith

County Manager

Library Notes . . .

National Library Week April 12-18, 2009



First sponsored in 1958, National Library Week is a national observance sponsored by the American Library Association (ALA) and libraries across the country each April. It is a time to celebrate the contributions of our nation's libraries and librarians and to promote library use and support. All types of libraries - school, public, academic and special - participate.

This year, join the Youth Services Department for a family program called "The Curious Case of the Three Little Pigs". On April 14th at 3:30 p.m., hear the rest of the story. Come prepared to laugh out loud as A. Wolf tells "his side of the story." There will also be jokes, stories, and crafts. For more info, contact 522-2118.

Entomology Program April 29 at 6:00 p.m.

Professor Jack Petersen from the Public Health Medical Entomology Research and Education Center of Florida A&M University will be presenting a program titled "Avoiding the Great Leap Backwards". Come learn the answers to those questions that keep you awake at night: What is the difference between an insect and a bug? Is it illegal to kill a praying mantises? Where can I get information on importing and/or exporting insects? **April 14 is National Library Workers Day.** Library workers are in charge of more than just checking books in and out. Library workers catalog and shelve materials; handle requests and send them to other libraries; answer phone calls and emails; organize programs and events; administer computer networks; update the library's website; select and obtain books, CDs, videos, and databases; and much more. *Thanks to all our hard-working staff!*

Save 3 Lives On April 29!

With more than half of us needing blood during our lives, maintaining a safe and adequate community blood supply is important to everyone.

Everyday in Florida, hundreds of patients count on volunteer blood donors for their very survival. Typical uses for the donated blood include surgical procedures, treatment of accident victims, anemia, mothers and newborns during delivery, and cancer therapy.



Because each donation is separated into three different components - red blood cells, platelets and plasma, a single donation can help save the lives of up to three people.

The drive is **April 29 in the 11th Street Training Room.** Each division has a sign up sheet or you may sign up by calling or e-mailing Jenny Donahue at 784-4085 or jdonahue@co.bay.fl.us.

Community Heroes Visit Local Day Care

For Bay County employees, going above and beyond the call of duty to serve the community is nothing out of the ordinary. Recently, these everyday heroes took a little time off to educate a very "small" portion of our community.

At Pon's Child Development Center, Firefighters Ray Hottinger, Linda Russell, and David Russell familiarized their 3-5 year-old audience with a firefighter's turn-out gear. The goal was to put children at ease with the alien-like outfit a firefighter uses when rushing into a burning building. These children now know that this particular "monster" is only a brave firefighter who wants to help.

Animal Control's Rochelle Ferrera came out and spoke to the kids about animal safety and adoption. Mosquito Control captivated the audience with mosquito facts and awareness. Ivan Griffin and Becky Winters educated them on how to keep down mosquito populations and prevent itchy mosquito bites.



L-R: Fire Services Linda Russell (with Caleb Powell, son of Brooke Powell), Animal Control's Rochelle Ferrera, & Mosquito Control's Ivan Griffin educate the youngsters.

BAY COUNTY ROOTS

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A monthly contest about Bay County History

Question:

What is Florida's State Insect? For the answer to this, and many other mind-boggling questions, visit Bay County Public Library on Wednesday April 29 at 6 p.m.



The answer to March's question, **"On July 1, 1913, the citizens of Bay County celebrated Natal Day at McKenzie Park. What were they celebrating?"** is: They celebrated the formation of Bay County, which was carved from Calhoun, Washington and Walton Counties.

Congratulations to Lisa Nixon of Supervisor of Elections for her entry!

To enter this month's Bay County history contest, send your answer to eguzman@co.bay.fl.us or via interoffice mail to Human Resources, attn: Evelyn Guzman. All correct entries will be entered into a special drawing. Entries must be received by April 17. The winner will receive a special prize and be recognized in the next issue of *Bay County Currents*.

ASK SANDY



Question:

I am a fairly new employee (have not completed my probation) and a military reservist. How does that work with me not being a regular status employee when called to training or active duty?

Answer: First of all, thank you for choosing to work for Bay County and for the service you do for our great Country. We allow up to 17 working days of paid leave each fiscal year (October 1 – September 30) for any military related absence, unless called in to service by the

Governor at which time the paid leave extends to 30 days. Any time over and above that can be taken as annual leave (after initial probationary period) if chosen or without pay. All you need to do is provide a copy of your orders to your supervisor as early as you can so they may be forwarded to Human Resources.

Send questions to spettis@co.bay.fl.us or via interoffice mail.

Focus on . . . Wellness

Did you earn Wellness incentives for the first half of the FY08/09 through the Wellness Program? Please turn in your completed paperwork by April 15th. And don't forget to come join us for the Walk/Run Challenge on April 09, 2009 (see story page 5)

The Bay County Board of Commissioners' and Constitutional Officers' mission is to provide a wellness program for the purposes of promoting a safe and healthy workforce that will enhance the workplace environment for all employees.

Why are we so committed to employee wellness? It's simple, employees are our most valuable asset. Research shows that healthy employees are happier and more productive.

So why should you, as an employee, take advantage of the Wellness Program? Everyone has some sort of health risk to a varying degree, whether it's unhealthy eating, lack of exercise or sleep, drinking, smoking, or even something genetic. Using this program can make positive change happen. Not only will you be more able to complete your job responsibilities, but you will have more energy to give to your family and friends away from work!

Employees can enroll in the Wellness Program at any time; however, earned points and wellness incentive awards will be evaluated based on commitment during the applicable period. You can enroll in the Commitment to Wellness Level One and/or the Fitness Option Level Two. Now is the perfect time!

Contact the Risk Management Office at 784-4085 and sign up today.

Affordable Health Insurance



In these troubled times, many of us have family and friends who can't afford health insurance. And with the ever rising cost-of-living, many begin to consider health care a luxury that cannot be spent. Our Florida government realized the ever growing need for affordable health care coverage and began *Cover Florida*. The program is a partnership between the State of Florida and 6 private insurance companies, which means, no tax money was used in creating the program.

Cover Florida is available for Floridians between the ages of 19 and 65 who do not qualify for public health insurance programs like Medicare or Medicaid and have not been covered by health insurance in the past 6 months or have suffered through a qualifying event. Plans start as low as \$23.70 per month and do not deny applicants with pre-existing conditions. Plans are portable, which means that changing jobs does not affect coverage.

For more information on *Cover Florida* please visit: www.CoverFloridaHealthCare.com

Put your NEW benefits to use! Remember that your 2009 coverage begins April 1. Human Resources along with Risk Management wants to say thank you for making Open Enrollment/Vendor Day such a success. We had an estimated 200+ employees participate in the one day event. Participating employees were offered the opportunity to win door prizes from Sam's Club, American Heritage and Suntrust. These vendors randomly selected the following as winners. Let us all say congratulations to the following prize winners:

Natalja Lithway (Engineering), Daniel Massoni (Roads), Christopher Lee (Roads); Rebecca Winters (Mosquito Control); Louis Wilkerson (Roads)

Remember that HR is always available to assist you with your benefit plan questions. Call 850 784-4055 and ask for Tangelia or Sandy.



Cooperative Extension

Rain Gardens

If you have an area in your yard where water always runs and puddles after a storm, you may want to consider a rain garden. Rain gardens are like storm water retention ponds for home landscapes and they are designed to temporarily hold rainwater and allow it to soak into the ground. Unlike retention ponds, these are planted with water-tolerant trees, shrubs, groundcovers and flowers to provide an aesthetically pleasing sight. Many of the plants suited for rain gardens will be attractive to wildlife.

Besides reducing problem areas of the lawn, a rain garden can play an important role in improving water quality. With the increase in development in the area, comes more pavement, roads, and rooftops, which do not absorb or treat stormwater, and usually add to the problem. Vegetation and soil do a

better job at handling that water. Excess sediment, which can fill in streams and bays, and chemicals from fertilizers and pesticides are just some of the pollutants treated within a rain garden via the natural growth processes of the plants. Some well-known plants that work great in rain gardens include: Louisiana iris, cinnamon fern, buttonbush, Virginia Willow, Black-eyed Susan, Swamp Lily, Tulip Poplar, Oak Leaf Hydrangea, Wax Myrtle, Florida Azalea, River Birch, Holly, and Southern Magnolia.



For more information, contact Ken Rudisill at 784-6105.

Improvements at Mosquito Control



Great improvements were made recently at the Mosquito Control Division. They installed two new 1,500 gallon chemical tanks in late February and early March. Luke Thomason, Gradall Operator of the Roads & Bridges Division, took the lead for Bay County by assisting Phelps Pump and Tanks Service in the removal of the old tanks and the installation of the new tanks. The tanks that were removed were over 35 years old and had a smaller capacity.

Mosquito Control has more exciting news! We have a new addition to our division that will have everyone excited about going out to the ball fields this spring. It is our pleasure to introduce the BUGG (short for "Bonsai Buggy").



This vehicle will assist in creating a barrier to keep those pesky mosquitoes away so you and your family can enjoy being outside at the ball parks.

Hazmat Training was held recently at the Mosquito Control Division by Capt. Tim Howard and Brian Welborn. We were fortunate to be able to hold this training locally and were able to include seven employees from Mosquito Control Division and three employees from the Roads & Bridges Division.



As always it is a pleasure working with everyone in the County and serving all Bay County citizens.—Fred Wakefield, Mosquito Control Division Manager

Parks and Recreation Update

Spring is off to a busy start in Parks & Recreation. Staff completed the Under the Oaks stage project and renovations at the Spring Avenue Park.



New stage at Under the Oaks

We installed two new floating docks at the Highpoint Boat Ramp in Southport. This project is a partnership between Bay County and Florida Wildlife Commission Boating Improvement Program. We will be installing floating docks at McCall-Everitt and the Bayhead Boat Ramps. And of course, with Spring comes mowing season!

Sports Events

Spring Men's & Co-Ed Softball games started March 23rd. Games are played at H.G. Harder's Park at 6:30pm, 7:30pm and 8:30pm on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday nights.

Bayou George Little League and Hiland Park Little League's opening day was March 14th. Southport Little League's opening day was March 21st. Opening day at the parks was filled with excitement, good food, and a



Floating Dock at High Point

whole lot of family fun. William Brock, Parks & Recreation's Athletic Coordinator, was honored by being asked to throw the first ball of the season at Bayou George's opening day. (How did he do?...not going to say)

Bay County Youth Soccer League games started March 7th. There will be 63 teams playing at H.G. Harder's Park every Saturday starting at 8:00am.

—Gary Buchanan: Parks & Recreation Operations Supervisor

National Public Safety Telecommunicator Week

Each year, the second full week of April is dedicated to the men and women who serve as public safety telecommunicators. It was first conceived by Patricia Anderson of the Contra Costa County (Calif.) Sheriff's Office in 1981 and was observed only at that agency for three years. Members of the Virginia and North Carolina chapters of the Association of Public-Safety Communications Officials (APCO) became involved in the mid-1980s. By the early 1990s, the national APCO organization convinced Congress of the need for a formal proclamation. Rep. Edward J. Markey (D-Mass.) introduced what became H.J. Res. 284 to create "National Public Safety Telecommunicator Week." According to Congressional procedure, it was introduced again in 1993 and 1994, and then became a permanent observation.

This year, on April 16th, the Telecommunicators of Bay County will get together for food and friendship, to share stories and to meet other dispatchers they have only spoken to over the phone during an emergency. It is usually a thankless job, long hours and loads of stress, but they do it because they love it! These individuals work hard for the citizens, all the while ensuring their responders are safe as well. County Dispatchers are: Wendy Evernam, Lindsey Grabbe, Robert Jurgonski, Allison Kohler, Angelina Rivera, Manuel Sanchez, Brandi Tew, and Desiree Villegas. Be sure to tell them "Thanks" when you see them.—Lesli Taylor, Emergency Services



1.5 Mile Walk/Run Challenge

It's time once again to put on your running shoes! Come see if you can meet your time challenge (and make some \$\$\$ while you are at it!)

Join us at the beautiful Panama City Garden Club Walking Park (Florida Ave. entrance) on April 9, 2009 @ 5:00 PM.

If you can walk/run a mile and a half under the Aerobic Fitness Standards for your age group you'll earn \$50.00. Please note that we have added times for ages 60-69 and 70-79.

To sign up or for more information, contact Risk Management at 784-4085 before April 6, 2009.

If you don't feel up to the challenge, remember there is always September! Get up, get going, and get healthy!

Aerobic Fitness Standards Per Age Group for 1.5 Mile

	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOMEN</u>
<u>Age</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Time</u>
20 to 29	15 mins 12 sec.	17 mins 21sec
30 to 39	15 mins 52 sec.	18 mins 00 sec
40 to 49	16 mins 28 sec	18 mins 31 sec
50-59	17 mins 29 sec.	19 mins 30 sec
60-69	19 mins 00 sec.	21 mins 00 sec.
70-79	21 mins 00 sec.	23 mins 00 sec.

Changed Your Clock; Did You Change Your Battery?



Daylight savings time took effect on Sunday, March 8, 2009. Bay County Fire Rescue wants to remind everyone to make another change that could save your lives — changing the batteries in your smoke alarms.

Communities nationwide witness tragic home fire deaths each year. An average of three children per day die in home fires and eighty percent of those occur in homes without working smoke alarms. Non-working smoke alarms rob residents of the protective benefits that home fire safety devices were designed to provide.

The most commonly cited cause of non-working smoke alarms: discharged or missing batteries. Changing smoke alarm batteries twice a year is one of the simplest, most effective ways to reduce these tragic deaths and injuries. In fact, working smoke alarms nearly cut in half the risk of dying in a home fire. The peak time for home fire fatalities is between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. when most families are sleeping.

Smoke alarm maintenance is a simple, effective way to reduce home fire deaths. Children and senior citizens are most at risk, and a working smoke alarm can give them the extra seconds they need to get out safely.

Keeping smoke detectors in good condition is easy. Always follow the manufacturer's instructions. Be sure to replace the batteries twice a year, when we make the change to or from daylight savings time, or as needed. Most models will make a chirping, popping, or beeping sound when the battery is losing its charge. When this sound is heard, install a fresh battery, preferably an alkaline type and keep extras handy. Check the smoke detector every 30 days by pushing the test button. Clean the detector face and grillwork often to remove dust and grease. Never paint a smoke detector, as it will hamper its function. Check the detector if you have been away from home. —Lt. Gene Brandow, Fire Services

Wellness Program forms due by April 15

For those of you who've participated in the Wellness Program . . . Now is the time to submit your Level Two Personal Physical Fitness Program and/or your 100 Mile Challenge forms to Jenny Donahue, Risk Management. Please send these forms in before 4/15/09.

For those of you who aren't Wellness Members yet, now's the time to join! Forms are available on NTbay under Wellness Program or call 784-4085.

Cancer Risks & Treatment Options

As the month of April brings cancer control into focus, it's a great time to increase understanding of screening and prevention of cancer, advances in treatment and support for cancer patients, and resources that offer updated cancer control information.

Understanding the basics of cancer can give you confidence and help you feel more in control. While cancer remains a serious and complicated illness, the number of cancer survivors has been increasing thanks to better detection, treatments, and care.

Come join Bay Medical Dosimetrist Chris Gainer on **April 23 from 3:30-4:30 at the Bay County Public Library**. He is a member of the Bay Medical Radiation Oncology Team who specializes in the operation of radiation equipment and calculation of dosages in cooperation with oncologists.

Learn the risk factors, testing options, & available treatments for a variety of common cancers including: breast cancer, prostate cancer, skin cancer, lung cancer & colon cancer.

This seminar is worth 30 points towards your Level 1 Wellness Incentive.



Upcoming Events and Classes

1.5 Mile Walk/Run Challenge	4/09
CPR and First Aid Basic Course	4/21
Cancer Risks and Treatment Option	4/23
Blood Drive	4/29

REMINDER!

If you think you have an idea that would make your work area safer, please fill out a Safety Suggestion form found on NTbay under Risk Management Forms. If your suggestion is chosen you could win a prize at the next Safety Committee Meeting!

Happy Birthday April

- April 1 Paula Boone
- April 3 Gregory Amazi; Charles Mann
- April 4 Michael Weis; Lindsey Grabbe
- April 5 Larry Hawks
- April 6 David Beck; Edward Bryan; William Masaitis
- April 7 Sharon Gurrera; Raymond Johns
- April 8 Darrel Wise
- April 9 Mary Aaron
- April 11 Suzanne Cox
- April 16 Steven Potter; Daniel Lentz
- April 17 Leroy Burkett; Matthew Lopez
- April 18 James Cooper
- April 21 Brenda Hathaway
- April 22 Robert Whitehead; Linda Russell; David Brannon
- April 23 Michael Smith
- April 26 Jennifer Bowes
- April 27 Theresa Hill
- April 28 Paul Lackemacher
- April 29 Travis Williams
- April 30 Daniel Davis; Frances Arnold; Christopher Cromer



Service Anniversaries

10 Years

Donald Murray Water Systems Division

20 Years

Marcia Bush Tourist Development Council

Welcome Aboard . . .

James Cooper	Water Services
Brett Parker	Engineering
Terry Combs	Roads and Bridges
David Cherry	Laboratory
Howard Lassiter	Engineering
James Woods	Roads and Bridges

Mark Your Calendars

Healthy Families	04/04
For Info: 850 552-4485	
Shrimp and Oyster Festival	04/10 - 12
For Info: 850 784-9542	
Panama City Passion Play—FREE!!	04/10-11
For Info: 850 785-8596	
Greyhound Meet and Greet	04/11
For Info: Books-A-Million 850 784-3040	
Scottish Festival & Highland Games	04/14
For Info: 800 769-4000	
2009 Seabreeze Jazz Festival	04/16- 19
For Info: www.seabreezejazzfestival.com or 1-800-595-4849	
11th Annual Zap Pro/Am Spring Skim Jam	04/17 - 04/19
For Info: 850 235-2702	
March of Dimes for Babies	04/18
For Info: Kim Tatum 850 785-6460	
2009 Cystic Fibrosis Foundation Great Strides Walk	04/18
For Info: 877 855-0255 or www.cff.org	
16th Annual Kidfest	4/18
For Info: 850 872-7550 or www.eeckids.org	
Spring Art Fling	04/23 - 04/26
For Info: Pier Park	
11th Annual Gulf Coast Horse Show & Music Festival	04/ 22-25
For Info: 850 914-9030	
Thunder Beach Annual Spring Rally	04/30 - 05/03
For Info: www.thunderbeachproductions.com	
Older Americans Month Senior Fair	05/01
For Info: Bay County Public Library 850 763-4696	

Congratulations!

Charles Johnson (Risk Management) and his wife Helen, welcomed first granddaughter, born at Kennestone Hospital in Marietta, GA at 12:22 pm on March 05, 2009. Zilphie Claire Flowers weighed 7 pounds 14 ounces and measured 20 1/4 inches, making Ben and Katy Flowers (Woodstock, GA) proud new parents.

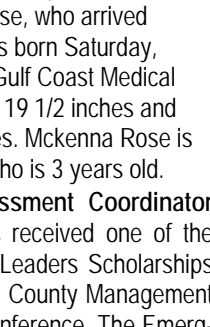


Risk Management's Brooke Powell and hubby Jerry take home first daughter. Mckenna Rose, who arrived ahead of schedule, was born Saturday, March 28, 9:14 am at Gulf Coast Medical Center. She measured 19 1/2 inches and weighed 7lbs 10 ounces. Mckenna Rose is baby sister to Caleb, who is 3 years old.

Jennifer Vigil (Assessment Coordinator for Engineering) has received one of the three 2009 Emerging Leaders Scholarships to the Florida City and County Management Association Annual Conference. The Emerging Leaders Scholarship is designed to allow public administration students and entry-level city and county management professionals interested in continuing their development as public managers to attend the annual conference. Scholarships are awarded on the basis of commitment to city/county management, career goals, and affiliation to FCCMA. The scholarship provides complimentary registration to the annual conference, reimbursable travel-expense stipend of up to \$1,000 and a one year complimentary membership to the FCCMA. Way to go, Jenn!

Gina Gainey (Administration) was named to the Dean's List for the Spring of '09 Semester at Virginia College.

If you would like to see your news in this space, contact Evelyn Guzman at eguzman@co.bay.fl.us or at 784-6161.



Calling All Volunteers!



A big thanks to all who participated and continue to participate in this awesome project. It is because of your effort that we continue to progress.

As funds grow and we draw nearer to Building Day, the need for volunteers becomes more urgent. To all interested participants with building the house, please contact Debbie Cuthbert at DCuthbert@co.bay.fl.us And remember, this can only be made possible through you!

Classifieds

FREE!!! Place your advertisement here, in next month's newsletter. Do you have items to sell? Contact Evelyn Guzman at eguzman@co.bay.fl.us or Brooke Powell at bpowell@co.bay.fl.us