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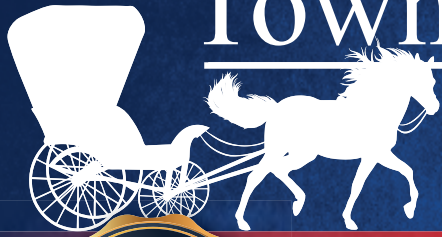
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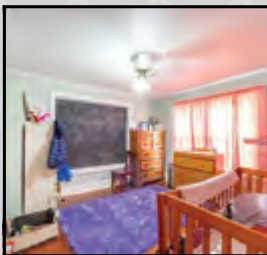


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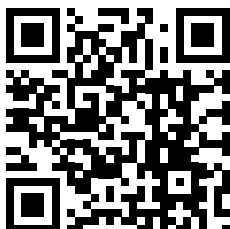
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**MARCUS ALEXANDER CLARK:**  
 Aggravated Battery-Offender Knew/Should Have Known Victim Pregnant, Resist Officer-With Violence.

**AUSTIN GLYNN CORCORAN:**  
 Resist Officer-With Violence, Battery-On Officer/Firefighter/EMT, Etc., Resist Officer-Obstruct Without Violence.

**AIMEY DELENE CORHN:** Fraud-Willfully Defraud/Attempt Defraud Urine Drug Test, Probation Violation.

**ANGELA MARIE CROSS:** Probation Violation.

**TIMOTHY LEE EVANS:** Drugs-Possess-Controlled Substance Without Prescription, Drug Equipment-Possess- &/Or Use, Probation Violation.

**DAVID ARTHUR GONZALES:**  
 Failure To Appear-Written Promise To Appear.

**KATHERINE ALEXIS HALLOCK:**  
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**STEVEN HAROLD AMES:** Traffic Offense-DUI & Damage Property.

**NORMAN EUGENE AWREY:**  
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**CRYSTAL COLON:** Marijuana-Possess-Not More Than 20 Grams, Drug Equipment-Possess- &/Or Use, Nonmoving Traffic Violation-Operate Motor Vehicle Without Valid License.

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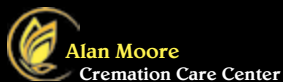
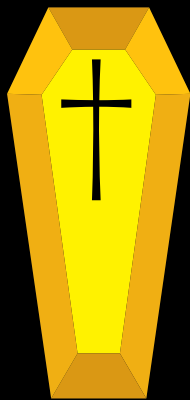
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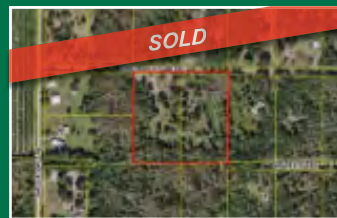
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**ELECT William "Bill" Delaney for Desoto County Sheriff**  
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My opponent has defunded agricultural law enforcement! This is another example of the lack of leadership my opponent has shown over the past 4 years. I will stand with #DeSotoAg and every resident of DeSoto County. #DelaneyforDesoto #desotosheriff #desotocounty #arcadia #Vote #ThePeoplesSheriff



**ELECT William "Bill" Delaney for Desoto County Sheriff**  
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Some of our hardworking first responders are struggling to pay rent, we have men and women leaving in droves for higher paying agencies, our communication staff is down over 50% and our school resource deputies (SRD's) are forced to split their time with other locations leaving our children vulnerable. My opponents answer? Spend \$533,914.02 per year in base salaries for his top 6 employees. We have 1 supervisor for every 1.25 law enforcement officers! This is unacceptable and does not serve DeSoto County well. I will change this on day 1. #Promise #Delaneyfordesoto #desotosheriff #desotocounty #arcadia

**UPDATE**

**ELECT William "Bill" Delaney for Desoto County Sheriff**  
 ★ Favorites · Oct 6 · 🌐

My opponent just gave an employee making over \$92,000 a year a raise! Now he has a \$100,000.00 commander all while still paying our hard working communications first responders \$14 an hour! We Need Leadership! #DelaneyforDesoto #DesotoCounty #DesotoSheriff #DesotoCounty #Arcadia

**UPDATE**

**ELECT William "Bill" Delaney for Desoto County Sheriff**  
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Just since my last post about #PotterMyProxim my opponent has added \$20k to upper management's pay. Dispatchers are still making \$14.40 per hour. Just to give you some comparisons: the WEEKLY pay for the Colonel is \$1,913.00, Capt's and the Attorney make \$1,586.00 per WEEK. Communications First Responders? They make \$574.00. We need change. #DelaneyforDesoto #DesotoCounty #DesotoSheriff #ThePeoplesSheriff #Arcadia

**ELECT William "Bill" Delaney for Desoto County Sheriff**  
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This right here is why I am running. We must have a community that is safe for each of these smiling faces to grow and learn. As your Sheriff I will do everything in my power to protect our children. DeSoto's future depends on it. #DelaneyforDesoto #DesotoCounty #DesotoCounty #SafeSchools #Arcadia #ThePeoplesSheriff



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**ELECT William "Bill" Delaney for Desoto County Sheriff is at DeSoto County Sheriff's Office.**  
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I would like to take a moment to address the deputies and employees of the DCSSO, together with your help, we are going to make the positive and necessary changes needed. Together we will not only make this a department that is safer, more efficient, and transparent, but a department that you can be proud to work at. My promise to you is my door will always be open to hear your concerns, and I want you to know that I will go to war for you if that's what is called for! As your Sheriff, I will not lead behind a closed door, I will lead from the front! DCSSO we will do better. #DelaneyforDesoto #DesotoCounty #DesotoCounty #Arcadia #ThePeoplesSheriff



**ELECT William "Bill" Delaney for Desoto County Sheriff**  
 ★ Favorites · 36 · 🌐

Recently my opponent posted on social media saying "Sheriff Potter saw a need for a modernized DeSoto County Sheriff's Office General Order Manual" he went on to say "a massive and important undertaking still underway but it can not be rushed or taken lightly" The fact is shortly after taking office he spent \$30,000.00 of your tax dollars to have these new policies written. Not only is this an outrageous waste of money, I was shocked to find out today the THIRTY THOUSAND DOLLAR POLICIES are still not done THREE YEARS LATER. I will have this done within 30 days of taking office if you trust me to be your sheriff. #ThePeoplesSheriff #waste #Transparency #DelaneyforDesoto #DeSotoCounty #DeSotoSheriff #Arcadia #Vote



**ELECT William "Bill" Delaney for Desoto County Sheriff is at DeSoto County Sheriff's Office.**  
 ★ Favorites · Oct 1 · Arcadia · 🌐

October 1, 2020  
 Sheriff Potter  
 2230 NW Brinnville St  
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Dear Sheriff Potter,  
 As you are aware, we are both asking the people of DeSoto county for their vote in November. I think it is important for voters to be informed of the candidates positions on the issues that matter most to them.

I am writing this letter as an invitation to you to sit down with me in a forum in front of the people of DeSoto county and debate where we stand on the issues, our vision for the future of DeSoto county and how we plan to lead the DeSoto County Sheriff's Office.

I think these types of comparative debates are a way to allow the voters to decide which platform and position they should cast their ballot for. I will arrange the location; my campaign will incur the costs and we can both jointly select who we want to ask the questions or "moderate" our discussion.

As you know the election is only 3 weeks away, so I look forward to hearing from you soon. I can be reached directly at 863-444-7707 or via email at [willdelaney2020@yahoo.com](mailto:willdelaney2020@yahoo.com)

Thank You,  
  
 Bill Delaney  
 Candidate for Sheriff  
 DeSoto County Florida

**UPDATE**  
**ELECT William "Bill" Delaney for Desoto County Sheriff**  
 ★ Favorites · Oct 7 · 🌐

A debate would answer so many of the voter's questions. My opponent won't do it... Why?  
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- Supervisor of the Department of Motor Vehicles - 1997-present

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- Collection and Distribution of Property Taxes and Non-Ad Valorem Assessment in Florida - April 2008
- Collection of Licenses, Taxes and Fees - September 2006
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- Duties and Responsibilities of Florida Tax Collector - October 2005

**Personal:**

- Married 19 years to Brad Burtcher
- Two children: Lacie & Jared
- Four grandchildren: Kiersten, Alaina, Jay & Gracelyne
- Active Member of Mt. Ephraim Baptist Church
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- DeSoto County home and land owner

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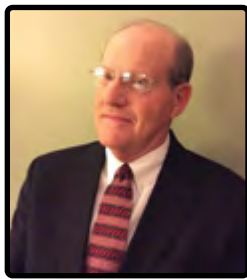
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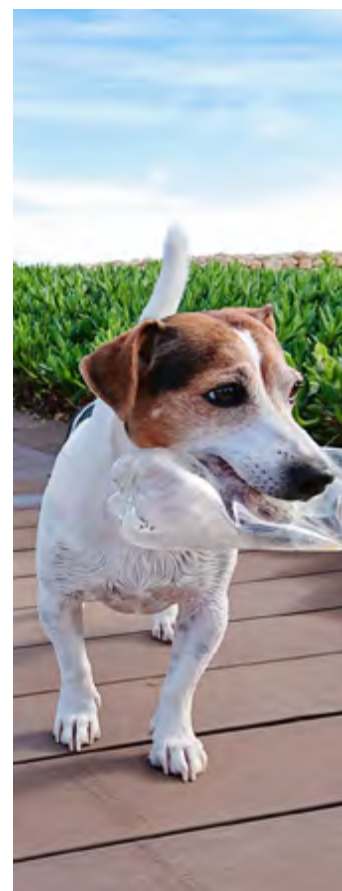
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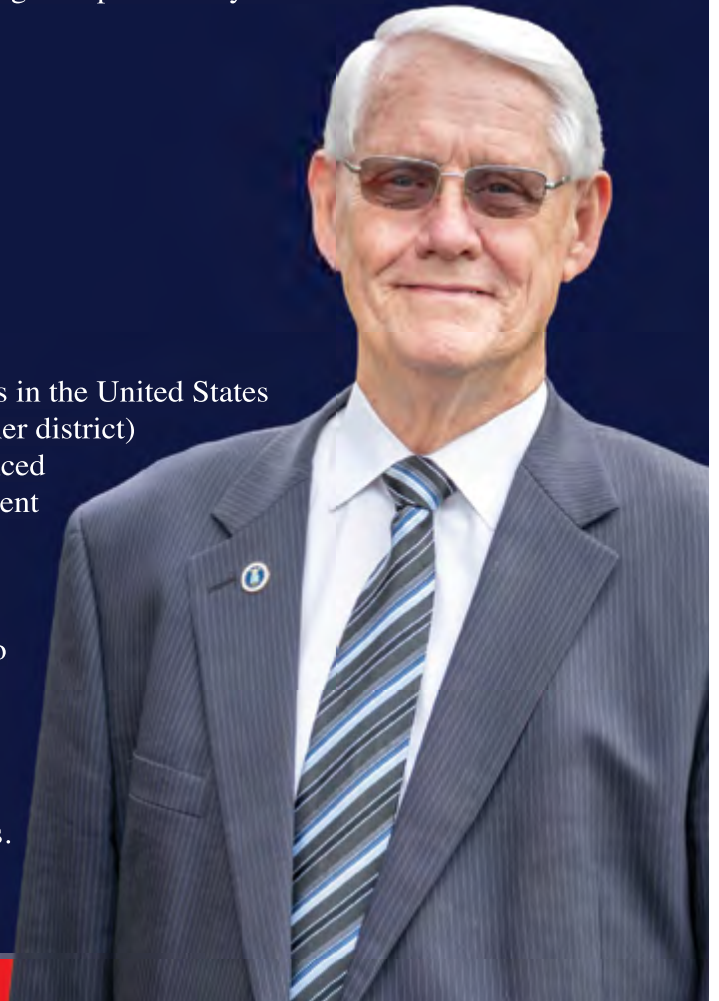
Since returning to office in 2016, I present the following data points for your review of what has occurred during the last four years:

- DeSoto County High School Dropout Rate
  - 2015-2016 .....12.8%
  - 2018-2019 .....4.9%
  - **Improvement .....7.9%**
- DeSoto County High School Graduation Rate
  - 2015-2016 .....64.9%
  - 2018-2019 .....77.1%
  - **Improvement .....12.2%**
- DeSoto County High School is one of 250 districts in the United States and one of two in Florida (Pasco County is the other district) to receive the College Boards' 10th Annual Advanced Placement Honor Roll for significant gains in student success in the advanced placement program.

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*Adrian H. Cline*



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**YARD SALE**

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**YARD SALE**

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**YARD SALES**

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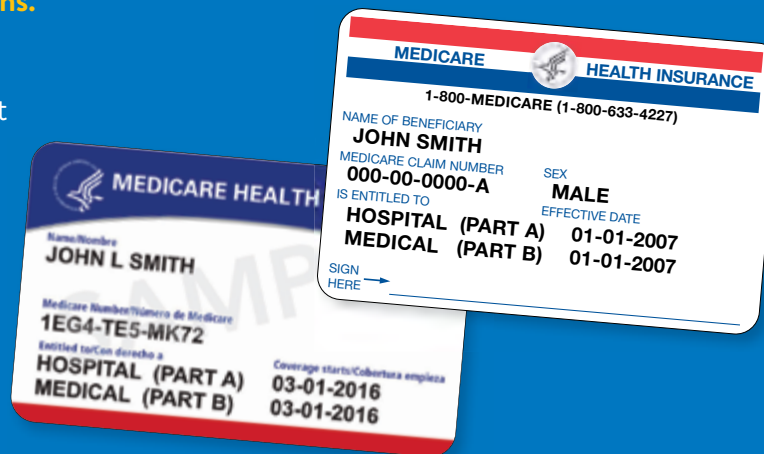
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# PEACE RIVER SPORTS

## BULLDOGS LOSE AS SECOND HALF COMEBACK FALLS SHORT

**STEVE KNAPP**  
PRS Sports Writer

For the second straight week, the DeSoto Bulldogs gave up a touchdown on the first play of the game and couldn't recover as they lost at Estero 27-13. The Bulldogs struggled in the first half, but just as they did the week before in the 7-6 loss to LaBelle, they played a strong and spirited second half only to come up short in both games.

The Bulldogs trailed 14-0 at the half and were down 20-0 early in the second half before they started their comeback. Keimar Richardson recovered a fumble on the Wildcats' 33 yard line and scored on the next play. Richardson threw a strong stiff arm on a defender and brushed him away like a fly on a picnic lunch. He banged a few more bodies before scoring to cut the lead to 20-7 after Andy Garibay's extra point.

That score seemed to spark the team as they played a strong defensive game after that. One nice play was a one handed "Odell" interception by quarterback Shon Galloway in DeSoto territory. That led

to the second score of the game as Tay Luther caught a 45 yard touchdown pass. After juking the defensive back, who watched the touchdown from the seat of his pants, Luther scored untouched to cut the lead to just a touchdown at 20-13.

Blown pass coverage left an Estero receiver wide open for a 53 yard touchdown. The scored came with 3 and a half minutes left to spoil the comeback bid by DeSoto.

Defensive coordinator Darryl Jackson told the team, "You wanted to win this game, you were hoping to win this game, you could have won this game, but you weren't prepared to win this game. You've got to be ready to play on the opening kickoff and not wait until the second half."

Head coach Bumper Hay agreed with Jackson as he said. "You decided too late to play. We have to start at the beginning of the game. We won the second half the last two weeks but haven't gotten a win to show for it. If we play like this for 4 quarters, we'd have two wins by now."

Hay said that Galloway "played like a beast in the



A rejuvenated second half defense puts the pressure on the Estero quarterback. Andy Garibay (1), Keimar Richardson (8), KenEquis Bennett (51) chase him as Denareon Stroman comes at him head on.

second half, but we need 4 quarters like that." Besides the interception by Galloway, he hit Richardson three times in the third quarter for 74 yards and Luther twice for 82 yards but penalties and sacks brought that total down to under the century mark. The Bulldogs picked up 141 yards in the second half after just 41 in the first half.

Garibay again showed his talents as he became the extra point kicker and was successful on his first try

The Estero backfield probably had nightmares of plays like this as this became a familiar sight throughout the game. Keimar Richardson makes another tackle for a loss, the big senior seemed to be in the Wildcats' backfield on nearly every play.

which was the first conversion the Bulldogs have had all season. I asked him after the LaBelle game if he could kick extra points since that would have tied the game. He said "I guess we'll find out in practice next week." Garibay's first carry of the game was for 18 yards and he again was a force







Juan Garibay works on his extra point kicks out of the hold of coach Darrell Nicklow before the loss at Estero.

to reckon with on defense.

Luther had several good catches and scored on a nice play for the second DeSoto touchdown. As he was running the route, the coaches on the sideline were shouting “keep going” and the play worked perfectly. In the first half he gave up on a route which would have had him all by himself and another possible touchdown.

Jalen “JT” Taylor kept his fumble recovery streak alive as he stretched it to three straight games with a recovery and a strong return to the Estero 40 with 6:30 left in the game. The junior lineman showed promise as a running back as it took several Wildcats to finally get him down. He recovered two fumbles against LaBelle and

one the week before.

Of all the shining performances, Richardson stood out as “the man” on both offense and defense. Not only did he score the first touchdown, but his key plays gave the Bulldogs the chance to win. In the first quarter alone he caught a 14 yard pass and a big 10 yard pass on a fourth and one situation. He also led the charge along with several teammates and stuffed the run as the Wildcats tried to convert a 4th and 2 play on the DeSoto 14 yard line. Richardson also had two sacks to stop the Wildcats’ drives.

Richardson had his third of four sacks in the game in the second quarter. The second half he recovered a fumble and scored on the next play. He



Tay Luther goes up and makes a nice catch in the first half of the 27-13 loss at Estero. Luther scored on a 45 yard touchdown pass in the third quarter.

made 7 tackles behind the line of scrimmage as the Wildcats’ line couldn’t find a way to stop him.

The Bulldogs travel to Cypress Lake this Friday before coming home for their final game of the season as they host Hardee before starting the playoffs.

Senior Keimar Richardson has that “1000 yard stare” as he gets ready to take the field. Richardson had his best game of his career with 4 sacks, 7 tackles behind the line of scrimmage, a touchdown and a fumble recovery.



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**STEVE KNAPP**  
PRS Sports Writer

The DeSoto County Middle School softball game didn't have a very good start in their loss to Hardee. Faced with a young team and not a lot of experience, the Lady Bulldogs fell behind early and couldn't get started in their 12-0 loss at home.

The Wildcats started with a perfect bunt that died on the third base line. The next batter slapped a single to left and then an infield hit loaded the bases. The Wildcat cleanup hitter did what she was supposed to do and cleaned the bases with a blast to the wall in right center. With four on the board already, the Wildcats put up another 5 in the second inning that put the game away.



Bulldog pitcher Livia Evans fields a bunt and makes the strong throw to first. Evans didn't get any offensive support in the 12-0 loss.



DeSoto shortstop Emily Berini makes the throw to first to retire the Hardee batter.



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# SEASON ENDS FOR LADY BULLDOGS GOLFERS

**STEVE KNAPP**  
PRS Sports Writer

The DeSoto County girls golf team didn't advance past the district tournament which put an end to the 2020 season. Coach Jeff Gibson said, "We're a very young team and we just try to improve in every match and practice. We have the potential to have some pretty good golfers next season."



Katie Howard is the lone returning golfer from the 2019 team



Emily Guzman prepares to take a few practice shots on the driving range.



DeSoto County girls coach Jeff Gibson pulls up on a cart at Twin Isles before a match against Charlotte and Island Coast.



Natalie Butts leaves the driving range as the match begins at Twin Isles.



Stephanie Maldonado tees off on the first hole. Maldonado is a junior and will return next season.



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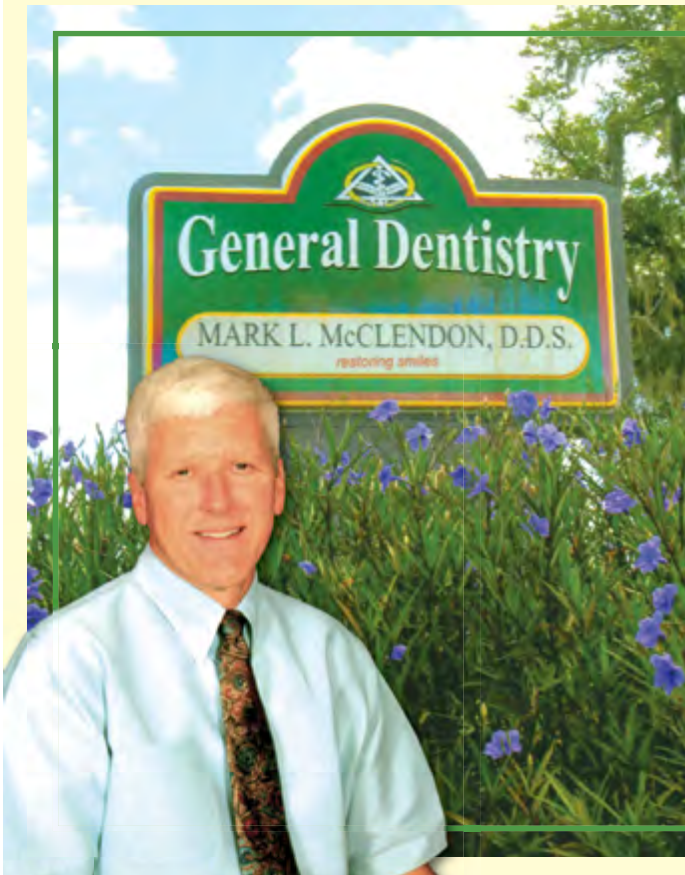
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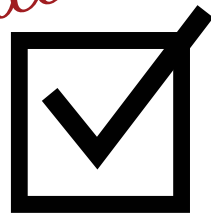
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# DESOTO COUNTY CANVASSING BOARD PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE

(Florida Statutes 102.141)

The DeSoto County Canvassing Board will meet beginning at 9:00 am on Thursday, October 15, 2020 in the County Commissioners Meeting Room, Suite 103, DeSoto County Administration Building, 201 East Oak Street, Arcadia, Florida. The meeting is open to the public. The Canvassing Board will meet to canvass the vote by mail ballots for the General Election and to receive queries from the public about the vote by mail ballots.

The Canvassing Board will meet on Thursday, October 22, 2020 at 9:00 am in the County Commissioners Meeting Room, Suite 103, to canvass vote by mail ballots The Canvassing Board will meet on Friday, October 30, 2020 at 9:00 am in the County Commissioners Meeting Room, Suite 103, to canvass vote by mail ballots.

The Canvassing Board will meet on Tuesday, November 3, 2020 at 5:00 pm in the County Commissioners Meeting Room, Suite 103, to canvass vote by mail ballots and tabulate the results of all the vote by mail ballots and canvass all returns as necessary. All precinct returns will be tabulated beginning after 7:00 PM.

NOTE: Persons are advised that if they wish to appeal any decision made at this meeting, they will need a record of the proceedings and for such purpose, they may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based, per Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes.

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## EL TABLERO DE ESCRUTINIO DEL CONDADO DE DESOTO AVISO DE REUNION PUBLICA

(Florida Status 102.141)

El tablero de escrutinio del Condado DeSoto se reunirá a partir de las 9:00 am el jueves 15 de Octubre de 2020 en el cuarto de juntas de los Comisionarios del Condado, de DeSoto, Edificio de Administracion, Suite 103, 201 East Oak Street, Arcadia, Florida. Esta reunion está abierta al publico. El Tablero escrutinio se reunirán para examinar las boletas de votación por correo para la Elección General y recibir consultas del público sobre las boletas de voto por correo.

El Tablero de Escrutinio se reunira el jueves 22 de Octubre de 2020 a las 9:00 am en el cuarto de juntas de los Comisionarios, Suite 103 para examinar las boletas de votación por correo.

El Tablero de Escrutinio se reunira el viernes 30 de Octubre de 2020 a las 9:00 am en el cuarto de juntas de los Comisionarios, Suite 103 para examinar las boletas de votación por correo.

El Tablero de Escrutinio se reunira el martes 3 de Noviembre de 2020 a las 5:00 pm en el cuarto de juntas de los Comisionarios, Suite 103 para examinar las boletas de votación por correo y para revisar las boletas de votación por correo y tabular los resultados de todas las boletas de voto por correo y examinar todas las devoluciones según sea necesario. Todas las devoluciones de los precintos serán tabuladas después de las 7:00 PM.

NOTA: Se informa a las personas que si desean apelar cualquier decisión tomada en esta reunión, necesitarán un registro de los procedimientos y para tal efecto, es posible que tengan que asegurarse de que se realice un registro textual de los procedimientos, qué el registro incluya testimonio y evidencia en que se basará la apelación, por Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes.

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1/2	cup butter or margarine		
1	cup half-and-half (10%) cream or		

1. Wash and dry the apples. Remove the stems. Insert a popsicle stick into the stem end of each apple, using a twist-like motion so that the apple will not split.
2. Cover a large countertop area or a large baking sheet with waxed paper.
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4. Remove from the heat. Cool until the mixture thickens slightly. Hold each apple by the wooden skewer and quickly twirl into the caramel, tilting the pan to cover the apple with caramel. Remove the apple from the caramel, allow the excess caramel to drip into the pan and then twirl the apple again to spread the caramel smoothly over the apple. Use a spoon to coat any part of the apple not covered with caramel. If desired, roll the coated apples in the toppings before the caramel sets. Place on the waxed paper until the coating is firm. Store in a cool place.



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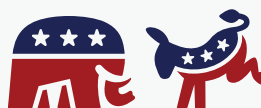
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# OBITUARIES

## Tommy Curtis Williams



Tommy Curtis Williams died on September 30, 2020. He was born on August 29, 1944. He was preceded in death by his parents James Curt and Elsie Williams. A brother Billy Williams and his beloved wife Emily

Ruth Ford Williams. Survivors are his two daughters Angela (Dale) Anderson, Deborah (Mike) Taylor and a brother Edward Williams. Tommy was a block mason most of his life but his love was fishing. He could catch a fish in a ditch if it had water. He will be greatly missed by many.

**A Celebration of Life will be held November 7, 2020 at 1 PM at the Arcadia River.**

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who art in heaven,  
Hallowed be thy Name.  
Thy Kingdom come.  
Thy will be done in earth,  
As it is in heaven.



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And forgive us  
our trespasses,



As we forgive them that trespass against us.

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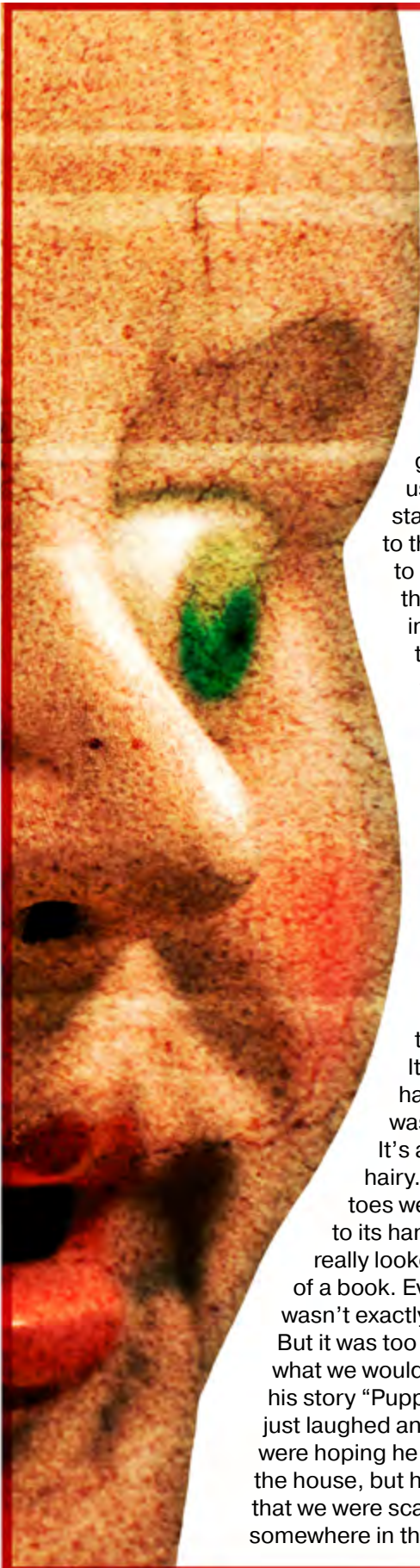


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Dad seemed determined to write that story about the little boy. He just knew it would be his scariest story ever. We were ok with it as long as he didn't bring home any baby statues. That gargoyle statue still gives us nightmares. Since the statue did bring something to the story, dad decided to bring something home that would help him get in the mood. Maybe set the stage you might say. So dad brings home a big box with this long red haired doll inside. When he sits it down on the table, the first thing my sister says is "that's not a boy, it's a girl". Dad just smiles and says "look closer". After a closer look, she could tell that it was a boy doll, it just had long red hair. I thought the doll looked terrible. It was the ugliest thing I had ever seen. It's body was short and muscular. It's arms were long and hairy. And the fingers and toes were enormous compared to its hands and feet. The doll really looked like a cave man out of a book. Even dad said that the doll wasn't exactly what he was looking for. But it was too late now, that doll was what we would still see when we read his story "Puppet Boy". Of course dad just laughed and put the doll away. We were hoping he would take it away from the house, but he thought it was too funny that we were scared so he just hid it away somewhere in the house. Well as long as

we couldn't see it, I guess it was ok. After dinner that night, dad sat us down around the living room and wanted to ask us a few questions. He thought it would be a good family time as well as information for his new story. We all gathered in our favorite chair and dad began to talk about stories he had written and how some were a lot better than others and how he always wanted us to be involved, but we were always too small. That is, up until the statue story. The statue story had given dad a few ideas and he was glad to have us involved in the story writing. He wanted to know what part scared us the most. Was it the statue or was it because it was a gargoyle? My sister couldn't help herself, she just had to blurt out that it was both. Both scared her, the statue and the fact that it was a gargoyle. She said that at first it wasn't too bad, but as the story went longer the statue grew with the story and then it really began to scare her. We talked for a long time that night before we went to bed. But, when we went to bed, that stupid doll was all I could think about. Over and over, I was seeing that thing everywhere. No sleep for me that night, so about 4:30 the next morning, I went down stairs to get a glass of milk. As I opened the refrigerator door, the light hit something sitting at the breakfast bar...



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