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WHS News Penny Dodd

Your Waldo Phoenix has just completed its second year of publication. It's time for us to thank all of the wonderful people who make this paper possible.

First and most important, we need to say "thank you" to our very generous advertisers. If you don't look at their advertisements at the back of each issue, you need to do that now. Those advertisers are the reason we can publish this paper every month. We need to support them as they do us.

They care about Waldo, and want you to know what's going on here. Without them we could not enjoy such a good and regular paper. We can never thank them enough for supporting us, but we can show our appreciation by giving them our business whenever possible.

With the price of fuel today, why travel all the way to Gainesville for something you can get right here in Waldo? Check out the local businesses who are advertising in the Phoenix. Most of them have been in business for many years - possibly even before some of you moved to Waldo - and they're still here today. Good, reliable businesses tend to survive - even in tough times. Businesses that offer good services for a fair price tend to stay in business. It just makes good economical sense

to spend our hard-earned money in Waldo whenever we can. We should make it a priority to tell them "Thank You" for making this paper possible.

Not to be forgotten are our dedicated writers - those who are just as busy as we are, who somehow find the time each month to contribute what they know about what's going on in Waldo to keep the rest of us informed. How else would we know what's going on at the school? At the Community Center? At the Library? And who's doing what in Waldo sports? Not to mention Dear Gabby, who hasn't had any problems to help solve for a few months. That must be a sign that the people of Waldo are doing all right. But she's ready to help whenever you ask her.

Phoenix in your email

Just a reminder that the Waldo Phoenix is available in your email. If you can't find a paper copy (yes, they do go fast) - send your request to historicwaldo@Windstream.net and we'll add you to our growing list of email subscribers.

But . . . if you like a paper copy to read, we do offer paper subscriptions for only \$12.00/year.

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**Waldo Historical Society
P.O. Box 459
Waldo, FL 32694**



Annual Easter Egg Hunt

- What:** Annual Easter Egg Hunt
Ages 0-12 Volunteers 13 and up welcome
- Where:** The Waldo Community Center
13550 NE 148th Ave.
- WHO:** Waldo Concerned Citizens for the Community and The City of Waldo
- When:** April 7, 2012
- Time:** 10am to 12pm
- Why:** So the community kids can have a fun day hunting eggs, playing games and winning prizes.

For more information please contact Mary Rich @352-226-9610



Reminder!
The next Waldo Historical Society meeting is on Thursday, April 26

Waldo Community Center 7 pm
Refreshments always available
More than just coffee. Good food to enjoy during the meeting.

A Box Filled With Promises

Mary Sue Holton

I often wonder how many people are still around who would know what I am talking about if I mentioned a "box of promises." I can't imagine not having had them when we were growing up. Such a very simple thing and yet it was so familiar to us we rarely gave thought to what a blessing they were.

Promise Boxes are a compilation of Bible verses, typewritten individually on small



multi colored cards about an inch long and perhaps 3 inches wide. They are often held in a "Bread Of Life" box which looks like a small loaf of bread. Some are a bit fancier with crystal containers, carved wooden boxes, or various other artsy creations. But the promises themselves are the same, regardless of the structure in which they are housed.

It was our great pleasure to gather **every** day, often after a meal, around mama's rocking chair to draw promises. Each of us children and mama would draw one and individually we would read it aloud. Afterwards, mama led a prayer. I can't define what it was that made this such a very special moment in our day, but it was one

of those things of which we never tired, and never outgrew.

Drawing promises was a multi-functional tradition which served many purposes. If one of us were sick, Mama would gather the others around to draw promises and pray.

If someone was afraid, we would draw promises and find courage and strength from the words written there.

When someone was in the hospital or needed surgery, if friends or neighbors were in trouble or needed help, when someone passed away, when one of us was feeling guilty for something we'd done or said, or sometimes "just because."

We found great comfort in pulling a promise from the box, clutching it in our hand until it was our turn to read aloud, and claiming that promise as "ours." Just the right words at just the right time.

I can't remember **ever** in my life - a time when I didn't own a box of promises. Nor can I remember **ever** pulling one, reading the words, and not finding some sense of calm and peace.

Perhaps it's just a "myth" and there is no real power in the typed words of those little cards. That may well be the case. But as for me, I **know** with absolute certainty there **is** power in the faith one stands on in believing the truth of those promises.

I would challenge any of you to try it for yourself. The next time you are anxious, or worried, or frightened or sad. Pick up that box of promises and pull one. Just one.

Clutch it in your hand believing that what is written there will speak to you with **exactly**

what you need to hear at that moment. Then read it aloud. Let the words penetrate your spirit and soul. Let them rain upon the desert of fear or sadness or worry where you find yourself being held hostage.

Your burdens will soon feel lighter. Your smile will return. Your heart will be filled with peace. You will know that you are **not** alone. And you **will** return to the box again and again. I promise!!

"Ethnic Diversity"

By Jayne Davis

Listen about these two words that are often referred to by many scholars. These two words are also referred to as multiculturalism. Furthermore, some culturally diversified individuals call Ethnic Diversity the spice of life which means variety. To continue, It is what makes us all so unique. Yet, Ethnic Diversity is also what makes us all have a common ground in which to grow on as well as a foundation for our diverse way of life.

Our websites quotes, and according to the The United States Commission on Civil Rights that, "Ethnic Diversity promotes cross racial understanding, breaks down stereotypes, and enables students to understand persons from different races".

Very much so, "I personally believe, that we as a body of people should learn to celebrate the cultural differences that we learn about one another".

Ever so sure, this will help to bring about a more culturally enriching life for our children of today, and for the many generations to come.

A Little Bird Told Me by Lucy Roe Cook



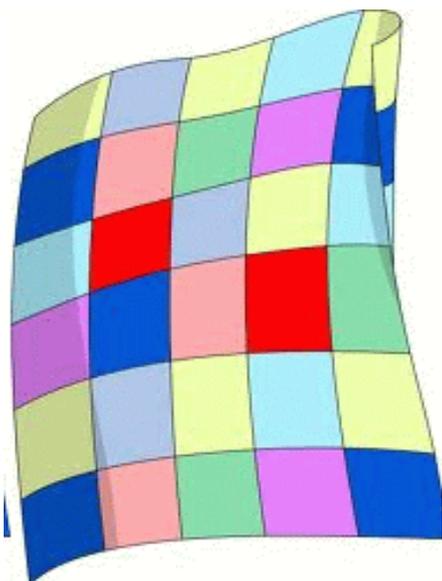
After skirting across rooftops and messing up my knees, I have two new

knees. No more rooftops for this little bird. It is good to be back in the Spring when the Azaleas are in bloom in so many shades of pink and the white ones also.

The loss of a friend, Ardell Davidson is a loss to many in Waldo. When a loss comes to a community, it effects the community in so many ways. God bless her and her family and friends.

The sky is so very beautiful now and the temperatures are wonderful. The clouds in the sky and the beautiful rainbows of late are a joy for those taking photos. Dig out your cameras and your family and enjoy these beautiful days.

The Third Annual Waldo Historical Society Quilt Show is



coming June 23, 2012. Call Vera Mauldin at 352-468-1554.

The Ladies of the Hand are still playing Canasta on Monday evening at the home of Mary Ann Rich's uncle. Mary Ann Rich and her Hand and Foot Canasta partner, Marie Ankney, were the big winners Monday last. Fun was had by all.

Christine Mays baked cornbread cake and they threw crumbs to this little bird and her friends. Thank you ladies.

If you have love in your heart, you will always have something to give. Thank you all for your good wishes during my knee surgery.

The Waldo Summer Camp News Bulletin by Jayne Davis



The Summer Camp planning committee is meeting at the community center for their meetings on Monday's at 2:00pm.

Please join us for these very important meetings for the benefit of our very own children in Waldo first.

Remember, organization is the key to success. Any questions, please contact Lisa Hill, our program director, at 352-792-4625.

If you need transportation to the meetings call Jayne Davis at 352-468-2235.

Upcoming WHS Events Annual Quilt Show

Our Third Annual Quilt Show will be held at the spacious and air conditioned Waldo Community Center (13550 NE 148th Ave.) on Saturday, June 23.

If you have been quilting and want to show off your masterpiece, please consider entering it in our quilt show. Waldo has some very talented quilters, as we've seen in years past. We will have ribbons for best Advanced, Intermediate and Amateur. Linda Lawson, our Quilt Judge, will choose "Best of Show," "1st Runner-up" and "3rd Runner-up in each category.

If you have other sewing articles you've created that you'd like to sell, bring them along with your quilts.

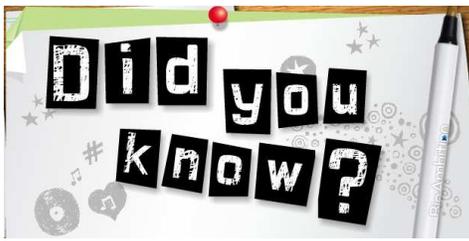
Call Vera Mauldin at 352-468-1554 for information about the Quilt Show.

Spaghetti Dinner

Did you enjoy our Spaghetti Dinner last year? A lot of people did, and you can satisfy your need for great spaghetti again this year. Friday, September 14 is the day to mark on your calendar.

For only a \$6.00 donation, you'll get a delicious spaghetti dinner, including garden salad, garlic bread and a drink. Dinners can be eaten inside the Family Life Center of Waldo Baptist Church, or you can skip cooking supper on Friday, and take 'em home. Hot and ready to eat. It doesn't get any better than this! Yum!

**"What is a home
without children?
Quiet."**



Qualified people can apply for hearing aids and/or glasses through the International Lions Clubs.

Local clubs (University City Lions) can be reached by calling Shirley (372-8956) for hearing aids, or Rosemarie (337-0185) for glasses.

There are several clubs in the area. Three in Gainesville, one in Starke, one in Hawthorne and one in High Springs, one in turkey Creek and 1 in Alachua
Our motto: "We Care."

Are You Bored?



Looking for something different to do?
Come join us at our quarterly meeting. We have many projects in the works. Help us with the Quilt Show, the Caboose Display, our Annual Calendar, or be a REPORTER for the Waldo Phoenix!.

We need your input and your help. What can you do? What do you like to do? Come do it with us.

100 Years Ago

April, 1912

- 2 The RMS Titanic begins sea trials.
- 10 RMS Titanic, the largest ship ever constructed up to that time, began its maiden voyage from Southampton, England at noon, with a final destination of New York City. On its exit, the ship caused the American liner New York to break free of its moorings. It arrived in Cherbourg, France, that evening at 7:00 pm, took on more passengers, then departed two hours later.
- 11 The Titanic arrived at Queenstown (now Cobh) in Ireland at 12:30pm, picked up the last of its passengers, then departed for New York City with 2,227 people on board.
- 12 The French liner SS La Touraine sent radio message to Captain Smith of the Titanic, giving the ship the first warnings of an ice field as far south as 42°S (roughly the latitude of Chicago)
- 14 Sinking of the RMS Titanic: At 11:40 pm ship time, RMS Titanic struck an iceberg in the North Atlantic Ocean. Only one minute earlier, crewman Frederick Fleet spotted the iceberg straight ahead, but the ship was running at almost top speed, 25 mph, and tore the side after attempting to steer around. The collision occurred roughly 400 miles east of Newfoundland., The ship would stay afloat for two hours and forty minutes. The ship closest to the Titanic, SS Californian was only a few miles away, and had transmitted warnings about the ice field, but its radio operator had turned off his equipment at 11:30 pm, ten minutes before the collision. During the day, Titanic received warnings from the Caronia, the Noordam, the

Baltic, the Amerika, the Californian, the Mesaba.

- 15 The Titanic sank at 2:20 am ship time. Only 705 of the people on board had survived, and 1,522 died, most of them men, but including 103 women and 52 children. The first lifeboat had been lowered at 12:45 am, Evacuation had been ordered at 12:05 am and the last at 2:05 am. The RMS Carpathia arrived at 4:10 am to rescue the survivors who had been able to reach a lifeboat.

Died:

(as victims of the sinking of the Titanic):

Thomas Andrews, Jr., 39, Irish shipbuilder and architect of the Titanic

John Jacob Astor IV, 47, American businessman and multi-millionaire

Archibald Butt, 46, former presidential aide to Theodore Roosevelt

Thomas Byles, 42, English-born Catholic priest

Jacques Futrelle, 37, French author

Benjamin Guggenheim, 46, American businessman

Charles Melville Hays, 55, President of Grand Trunk Railway

Henry B. Harris, 45, American theatrical producer

Wallace Hartley, 33 violinist and band leader of the Titanic

F. D. Millet, 65, American painter

Jack Phillips, 25, senior wireless officer of the Titanic

Edward J. Smith, 62, Captain of the Titanic

William Thomas Stead, 62, English journalist

Isidor Straus, 67, German-born owner of Macy's and former U.S. Congressman

Ida Straus, 63, wife of Isidor Straus

J. B. Thayer, 49, American cricketer

George Dennick Wick, 58, American steel manufacturer

George D. Widener, 50, American hotel magnate

**City of Waldo News
by Kim Worley
Reminders**

City Council meetings are held on the second Tuesday of the Month.

If you have an Animal Control Issue, please call and report the event right a way.

Animal Control 352-264-6870 - they are closed on Fridays.

If you see something suspicious or people speeding on your streets please call 352-955-1818 right away to have an officer dispatched. More and more burglaries are taking place during the day while people are at work.

If you have a sewer/water break after hours call 352-258-3110 or 352-258-6921

If you have a medical emergency or fire call 911

City Hall hours: Open Monday thru Friday 8-5pm closed for lunch 12pm-1pm

Website: www.waldo-fl.com
Police complaint form located under the Police Department heading

If you are BUILDING ANYTHING please call City Hall and see if a permit is required. If you build with no permit you can be fined and the permit fee doubled. 352-468-1001

Phone numbers

City Hall 352-468-1001
After Hour Emergency numbers 352-258-3110 or 352-258-6921
Non Emergency Police and Fire 352-955-1818
Emergency Fire and Police 911
Animal Control: 352-264-6870
Closed Friday

**Don't Forget
Commodities
Thursday, April 5, 2012
Time: 1pm - 2pm
Waldo Community
Center**

Comedy Club

Do you like comedy? Are you funny? We need some good standup



comics.

What could be funnier than Waldo comics? Keep your eye on this spot for audition dates and times.

If you're not funny, but like good comedy, we need you there to laugh at our comedians.

There'll be food and drinks available, so you can enjoy the show just like you do at home watching TV. The date hasn't been set yet, so watch this space to stay informed.



"Even when freshly washed and relieved of all obvious confections, children tend to be sticky."



New Hope Holiness Church of Christ is a historic church located at 14970 NE 139th Terrace. It has been in the community over 100 years.

Donations are needed to improve the church building and dining hall, so it will be able to serve the youth and the community with worship service, Bible study, Sunday school, breakfast for the Senior citizens and activities for the youth.

Donations can be mailed to:
**Apostle Pauline Mitchell
P.O. Box 754
Waldo, Florida 32694**

For more information, contact Apostle Pauline Mitchell at 386-283-4130 or Minister Cleveland Woodard.

**Waldo Rec Cheer Squad
By Bobbie Dudley**



On March 24, 2012, the Waldo Recreation Cheer Squad competed at the Diamond Cheer and Dance Championship in Jacksonville, FL. These hard working girls received First Place in their division and earned a bid to compete in the USD Season Finale. The participants were - Kristen Smith, Kristen Dudley, Taylor Wood, Kenesia Woodridge, Allie Dudley, and Katelyn Williamson.

The girls will be fundraising around town over the next few weeks to finance the next competition, so make sure and come out and support them.



This press release put out at the request of the Alachua County Health Department.

ALACHUA COUNTY, FL - Summer is almost here and with it comes the mosquito season. "The Alachua County Health Department would like to take this opportunity to emphasize the importance of preventing infection from mosquito-borne diseases as we move into the rainy season and the peak of mosquito activity," said Anthony Dennis, Environmental Health Director, Alachua County Health Department.

To prevent mosquito-borne diseases, the Florida Department of Health recommends practicing Drain and Cover:

- DRAIN standing water to stop mosquitoes from multiplying.
- DRAIN: water from garbage cans, house gutters, pool covers, coolers, toys, flower pots or any other containers where sprinkler or rain water has collected.
- DISCARD: Old tires, drums, bottles, cans, pots and pans, broken appliances and other items that aren't being used.
- EMPTY and CLEAN: Birdbaths and pet's water bowls at least once or twice a week.
- PROTECT: Boats and vehicles from rain with tarps that don't accumulate water.
- MAINTAIN: The water balance (pool chemistry) of swimming pools. Empty plastic swimming pools when not in use.
- COVER your skin with clothing and use mosquito repellent.
- CLOTHING: If you must be outside when mosquitoes are active, cover up. Wear shoes, socks, long pants, and long sleeves.
- REPELLENT: Apply mosquito repellent to bare skin and clothing. Always use repellents according to the label. Repellents with DEET, picaridin, oil of lemon eucalyptus, and IR3535 are effective. Use mosquito netting to protect children younger than 2 months.

Cover doors and windows with screens to keep mosquitoes out.

- Keep mosquitoes out of your house. Repair broken screens on windows, doors, porches, and patios.

Other Prevention Measures

- Limit outdoor activity at when mosquito's are most active. Avoid areas where there are a lot of mosquitoes.
- Contact your local mosquito control agency if there is a significant mosquito problem where you live or work.
- Fill in holes or dips in the ground that collect water. Level the ground around your home so water can run off.
- Stock your ornamental water garden with mosquito-eating fish (minnows, gambusia, goldfish, or guppies).

Repellent Information

- Always read label directions carefully for the approved usage before applying a repellent to skin. Some repellents are not suitable for children.
- Products with concentrations of up to 30 percent DEET are generally recommended. Other EPA-approved repellents contain picaridin, oil of lemon eucalyptus, or IR3535. These products are generally available at local pharmacies. Look for active ingredients to be listed on the product label.
- Apply insect repellent to exposed skin or onto clothing, but not under clothing.
- In protecting children, read label instructions to be sure the repellent is age-appropriate. According to the CDC, mosquito repellents containing oil of lemon eucalyptus should not be used on children under the age of 3 years. DEET is not recommended on children younger than 2 months old.
- Infants should be kept indoors or mosquito netting should be used over carriers when mosquitoes are present.
- If additional protection is necessary, apply a permethrin repellent directly to your clothing. Again, always follow the manufacturer's directions.

Please report mosquito problems to your municipality's mosquito control agency or the Alachua County Health Department at 352-334-7930.

For more information, visit <http://www.alachuacountyhealth.com/>

The goal of the Alachua County Health Department is to promote, protect, maintain and improve the health and safety of all citizens and visitors.

Information Please!

Waldo Phone Numbers You Might Need (Cut out and place by your phone)

City Hall	468-1001
After Hours Water Emergency	258-3110
Fire Emergencies	Call 911
Police Department	468-1515
Police Non-Emergencies	955-1818
Waldo Library	468-3298
Waldo Community Center	468-2336
Waldo Post Office	468-1970
Waldo Community School	468-1451
Waldo Phoenix	468-1910

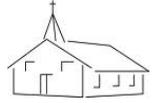
April Birthdays

1 Hilda Ross	16 Melanie Aultman
1 Lumanda Davis	17 Ardell Davidson
5 Dusty Harrison	18 Robert Abbott
5 Lindy Crews	22 Jonna Jackson
10 Christine Hill	22 Amanda Edge
11 Elmore Taylor	23 Lawrence Grant
11 Heather Bedford	26 Mary Aikin
12 Ciara Minnix	26 Bridgette Hill
16 Lillie M. Anderson	26 Jim DuBois

The Clothes Closet at Waldo First Baptist Church

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am taught by Bro. Bobby Hill or Minister
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and Sis. Josie "Jackson"
& Sis. Monique Taylor for the children.
Men's Day service will be held
on the 4th Sunday in July at 11:00 am

Always remember that
Man is Mighty but God is Almighty

First Baptist Church, Waldo

Hwy 24
352-468-1721



Sunday Schedule
9:15 - 9:45 Refreshments
9:45 Bible Study (all ages)
11:00 am & 6 pm Worship
11:00 am & 6 pm Children's Worship
6 pm Youth Praise and Worship
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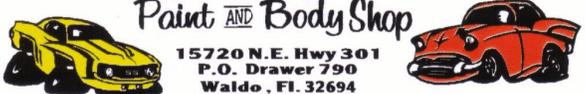
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