



# The Waldo Phoenix



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## W.H.S. News by Penny Dodd

Applications are still being accepted for the Quilt Show on May 3. If you have a quilt you have made and are proud of, consider entering it into our quilt show.

The show will be held at the air-conditioned Waldo Community Center at 13550 NE 148th Ave, Waldo, Florida. Those entering a quilt must be set up by 8:45 am, as the show starts at 9.

There will be prizes awarded in three categories (beginner, amateur and professional.

Entry forms are available from Vera Mauldin, P.O. Box 551, Waldo, Florida 32694, or give her a call at 352-468-1554.

Be sure to get your application in by April 26. Lunches (sandwich, chips, drink and dessert) will be available on site.

If you've never been to our quilt show in the past and need directions to the Center, you may call 352-468-2336.

We are happy to announce that the Waldo Caboose, which is soon to be a Waldo Railroad museum, displaying Waldo railroad memorabilia is currently being repainted inside, and when that is finished, your Waldo Historical Society will begin installing the many railroad artifacts that were donated by you, our very generous railroad people of Waldo.

It has taken so long to get this caboose to this point, we were wondering if it would ever be finished.

There is still work to be done, but now we can see the light at the end of the tunnel.

Spaces for Railroad Worker bricks are still available in front of the caboose. If you have a railroad worker in your family you can honor them with a memorial brick with their name on it. Call Fred Donaldson (352-468-1726 to order yours.

## Waldo Community Center News



Lachua County Veteran Service Officers will be at the **Waldo Community Center** on April 10 from 11 AM to 1230 PM to present information about Veteran Benefit Information to the community and to schedule veterans and their dependents to receive services in filing for VA benefits.

**Waldo Commodities**  
**Thursday**  
**April 10, 2014**  
**1-2 pm**  
**Waldo Community Center**  
**13558 NE 148th Ave**  
**Phone:(352) 468-2336**

## Waldo Community School News

### Free Academic Summer Child Care at Waldo Community School! Holly Burton - Principal

This summer, we will be holding VPK (Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten) for students



Principal Holly Burton

beginning Kindergarten in August 2014. This program is free and is NOT income based. Any child who has not already used their VPK voucher is eligible to attend. The program runs from June 10<sup>th</sup> to August 1<sup>st</sup>, Monday through Friday, from 7:30 AM to 3:30 PM. It will be a wonderful jump start for students starting KG, and will be taught by our very own KG teachers. **Please contact the front office for information about registering for summer VPK.**

### School Calendar

- April 4: No School
- April 9: SAC meeting @ 1:30 pm
- April 10: Report Cards
- April 10: Last Day of afterschool reading tutoring.
- April 14: May 1: FCAT Testing (Window Grades 3-5)
- May 7: KG Round Up @ 2

## A LITTLE BIRD TOLD ME by Lucy Roe Cook

Here it is April. This Little Bird just heard the facts about Jelly Beans. Jelly Beans were around in the seventeenth century and were incorporated into Easter because they looked like little Easter Eggs in the 1930s.



Oh, my! I'm glad that's a tradition that held on.

While flying the neighborhood, I flew over Quitman and Allie Hall's home. They were having a very large party. Twenty three people I counted. They were celebrating February and March birthdays. Travis Hunter, February 28, Jaden Crawford, March 6, Kimberly Grady, March 7, Scott Grady, March 8, Ernest Dority, March 24, all looked like they were having a really good time. They had lots of good food, and left crumbs out for me. Nice people.

Quitman Hall had just turned eighty seven on March 14.

Have you been downtown Waldo? I nearly dropped my feathers when approaching Kennard and Waldo Road. Poles bigger than any building in Waldo being put up for school crossing. Oops! One of the poles fell into Mr. Bob Hartman's building currently being occupied by the Waldo Historical Society for their Archives. Thank you Mr. Hartman. Thank you for the use of the building. The damage done to this old historic building hopefully will be repaired.

The Waldo Historical Society is again busy with the Caboose. The ladies have been seen going

in and out like busy little bees. Stay out of the way of those bees when they're busy. The inside is being revamped a little more.

This little bird was assured that there will one day be a Railroad Museum in our caboose. Thank you all for your diligent work.

Have a Blessed Easter and be filled with Jelly Beans.

## Benefit Spaghetti Dinner

Friday Evening, May 16<sup>th</sup> from 5 to 8 pm. Family Life Building, Waldo First Baptist Church.

Spaghetti, green beans, bread, tea and dessert for \$5.00. Carryouts available.

All proceeds donated to the Waldo Safety Patrols for their trip to Washington D.C.

Door Prizes!!

For more info call Thelma at 339-6956.



## THOUGHTS

### By Marie Ankney

If you think you are hungry,  
Get something to eat.

If you think you are tired,  
Get some rest.

If you think you are lonely,  
Get a friend.

If you think you can live  
without God in your life,  
**THINK AGAIN**

## Georgia Baptist Children's Home

### By Denise Burnham Baun

In 1982, I went to work for Georgia Baptist Children's Home in Palmetto Georgia. I worked as a Group Leader/Cottage parent for 9 children on their campus. In 1983 Georgia Baptist along with the Hebron Baptist Association, located in Hartwell, Georgia, teamed up to open the first Emergency Shelter for Georgia Baptist. It would be open to receive children 7 days a week, 24 hours a day.

I applied and took the position at the Emergency Shelter. I was the first staff to work at this facility. I was excited and scared at the same time. The bottom picture is what the house looked like when the Hebron Assoc was awarded this house from a will.



**Hebron Baptist youth home will  
hold open house Sunday afternoon**

The top picture is what the house looked like after remodeling. It was located out in Hart County, Georgia.

During my 15 months of working there, I took in over 100 children. I am very proud of my work and my accomplishments. After leaving there I returned to the campus of Georgia Baptist in Palmetto, and continued working with children another 6 years.

## What is Breast Cancer?

**Judi Easterwood  
Survivor (32 years)**

**H**ow many women are affected by breast cancer every year? How many women in Waldo have been affected? How many mothers, sisters, friends have developed breast cancer can you think of?



Did you think to get a mammogram this year? Are you at risk for breast cancer? Has a relative (mother, sister, aunt or cousin) been diagnosed with breast cancer.

These are serious concerns. I am a survivor of breast cancer. I don't have all the answers. I do know this: The more you know, the better prepared you are to avoid or eliminate the breast cancer.

There are many other women in Waldo who have fought the battle with breast cancer. They have knowledge first hand. Do not wait until your doctor tells you, "You have breast cancer." Learn important information that can save your life.

This article is to make you think and want answers. I will be glad to talk to you about my experience if it will help you make a decision about breast cancer awareness.

### What is Breast cancer?

Breast cancer is a group of cancer cells (malignant tumor) that starts in the cells of the breast.

### Breast cancer facts:

Breast cancer is the second leading cause of death among women.

### About male breast cancer

All people, whether male or female, are born with some breast cells and tissue that have the

possibility to develop into cancer. However, breast cancer in men is rare, with only about 2,190 diagnoses each year.

### Causes of breast cancer

Although most people who develop breast cancer will not be able to pinpoint one specific cause, scientists have learned much about risk factors that may indicate a stronger likelihood for cancer. Learn about the myths and factors that may apply to you.

### Types of tumors

Breast cancer tumors can be categorized by the size, type of cells, and the characteristics that fuel its growth. Learn more about benign tumors, malignant tumors, and classification.

### Breast anatomy

To understand breast cancer and its treatment options, it helps to know the anatomy of the breast and surrounding tissue. Learn more about the ducts, glands, and lymph system and how each is important for cancer development and treatment.

### Growth of cancer

How does cancer spread into the nearby breast tissue? What happens to cause cancer to spread to other organs? Learn what you need to know about the growth of cancer and the possible measures to stop it.

### Risk Factors

Some cancer risk factors – like smoking – are controllable. Some other cancer risk factors – like genetics – are not. Find out more about potential risk factors and how you can plan for your healthiest life.

### Create Your Early Detection Plan

The best way to fight breast cancer is to have a plan that helps you detect the disease in its early stages.

## The Tallest Kiss Ever by Mary Sue Holton

**M**ama  
and  
Daddy

weren't much for kissing and hugging or the usual displays of affection between a husband and wife. The few times we did happen to catch Daddy giving Mama a little peck on the mouth, we carried on so much that it probably made him think twice about ever doing it again. We just thought it was FUNNY! It was sooooo out of the ordinary that we assigned it to the list of things which made us giggle, snicker, laugh and poke fun.



The other side of the coin is that because we were under exposed to simple acts of physical intimacy and affection, it caused us, and particularly me, to be curious about such things. I learned to pay very close attention to "whispers" between a girl and a boy. I learned to watch for "winks" and smiles and the occasional pat on a rear end which was strictly off limits for anyone outside of a "relationship". I was fascinated by the art of flirting and intrigued with the natural process of attraction between boys and girls, men and women.

Mama was quick to inform me that "flirting" did NOT indicate that a boy liked me. It simply meant that he was "practicing to become a man". She cautioned that I should NEVER believe anything a boy told me because it was likely a big fat story. She also warned that later on in life I would find flirty behavior offensive and off putting and that I would cherish the days in which my

contact with the male species was limited.

I later realized that mama had gone through a period of time after the divorce in which she thought ALL men were worthless pigs and the root of all evil. Thank goodness my "nosey" gene kept me intrigued enough with the entire boy/girl relationship evolution process that I mostly ignored mama's words of "wisdom".

The fact that girls, more so than boys, have a strong tendency to lean toward the romantic side of all things, played a huge part in my susceptibility to mushiness. Add to that my genetic predisposition to extreme nosiness and then take away the value of opportunistic exposure to "normal" displays of affection. What you wind up with is a little girl whose curiosity supercedes her ability to satisfy that "nosey gene". In other words, I was tuned in, focused on, and "in the middle" of EVERY opportunity to observe any and all behavior related to or stemming from the mutual attraction between male and female.

Little did I know that I would happen upon just such a display that would linger in my heart and mind for the remainder of my natural life.

One sunny afternoon when I was about 5 or 6 years old, I was enjoying the breeze on my face as I pumped my legs back and forth to propel the swing in which I sat. Back and to, to and fro I went as I watched the train that was slowing down on the tracks in front on me. I was enjoying a rare moment on the swing set that sat in front of the D&O Grocery store in Waldo, while mama shopped inside. I

could see the platform of the old Depot off to my left.

The scraping and squealing of the brakes as the train slowed to a stop made me stop swinging and throw my hands over my ears in an effort to muffle the intrusive sounds. I remained seated in the swing as I watched with curious interest, the pretty lady who sat on a bench in the park. She was wearing a hat, and stockings with a seam running down the backs of her legs. Red high heels matched the belt which cinched in her tiny waist. The full skirt of her white dress dipped down on either side nearly touching the ground. Her gloved white hands clutched a red purse which lay on her lap.

Laboriously, the train slowed and strained, groaned and ground its way to a complete stop. Two quick blasts of the horn announced that the train had officially arrived at the Depot. I noticed a steward jump down from one of the passenger cars to place steps on the ground for the departing passengers.

Several people disembarked and began making their way toward a group of people waiting at the far left side of the park closest to the Depot. I noticed that the pretty lady in white was now standing. Back at the passenger car a VERY tall gentleman in some sort of military uniform was making his way down the steps. His eyes scanned the park and then rested on the lady in white. She began to jump up and down. She didn't move toward him, but rather continued jumping up and down in obvious excitement, her gloved hands clasped in front of her face.

I noticed that the soldier's steps were long, yet quick as he

began moving toward her. The smile on his face seemed to light up the sky. The long extension of his legs made short work of covering the space between the train and the bench where his pretty lady waited to welcome him. And then he was there. He quickly and easily picked her up and placed her so that her feet rested on the bench. And then I watched with absolute delight as she wrapped her arms around his neck and they engaged in a welcome kiss to beat ALL welcome kisses.

Even standing on the bench she strained to reach high enough to find his lips. But he eagerly "helped" by stooping slightly, and again, lifting her with ease. I watched as their lips met again and again. I watched as she buried her face against his chest. I watched his smile as it reached from one ear to the other.

It was like watching a movie. This tall, handsome soldier was returning home to his sweetheart. She had probably written long letters to him professing her love. Pledging her undying commitment and faith and speaking of the day when they would be together again.

My little heart swooned with the romance of it all.

And then rudely interrupting my "movie", Mama's voice called out "Mary Sue, get in the car. It's time to go home."

Reluctantly I stepped from the swing and backed towards the car which was parked in front of the store. Mama's voice continued to usher me along, but my feet moved slowly so that I might capture every second of every kiss.



in which this creature could lay its colored eggs. Eventually, the custom spread across the U.S. and the fabled rabbit's Easter morning deliveries expanded to include chocolate and other types of candy and gifts, while decorated baskets replaced nests. Additionally, children often left out carrots for the bunny in case he got hungry from all his hopping.

The largest Easter egg ever made was over 25 feet high and weighed over 8,000 pounds. It was built out of chocolate and marshmallow and supported by an internal steel frame.

### EASTER EGGS

Easter is a religious holiday, but some of its customs, such as Easter eggs, are likely linked to pagan traditions. The egg, an ancient symbol of new life, has been associated with pagan festivals celebrating spring. From a Christian perspective, Easter eggs are said to represent Jesus' emergence from the tomb and resurrection. Decorating eggs for Easter is a tradition that dates back to at least the 13th century, according to some sources. One explanation for this custom is that eggs were formerly a forbidden food during the Lenten season, so people would paint and decorate them to mark the end of the period of penance and fasting, then eat them on Easter as a celebration.

Easter egg hunts and egg rolling are two popular egg-related traditions. In the U.S., the White House Easter Egg Roll, a race in which children push decorated, hard-boiled eggs across the White House lawn, is an annual event



held the Monday after Easter. The first official White House egg roll occurred in 1878, when Rutherford B. Hayes was president. The event has no religious significance, although some people have considered egg rolling symbolic of the stone blocking Jesus' tomb being rolled away, leading to his resurrection.

### EASTER CANDY

Easter is the second best-selling candy holiday in America, after Halloween. Among the most popular sweet treats associated with this day are chocolate eggs, which date back to early 19th century Europe. Eggs have long been associated with Easter as a symbol of new life and Jesus' resurrection. Another egg-shaped candy, the jelly bean, became associated with Easter in the 1930s (although the jelly bean's origins reportedly date all the way back to a Biblical-era concoction called a Turkish Delight). According to the National Confectioners Association, over 16 billion jelly beans are made in the U.S. each year for Easter, enough to fill a giant egg measuring 89 feet high and 60 feet wide. For the past decade, the top-selling non-chocolate Easter candy has been the marshmallow Peep, a sugary, pastel-colored confection.



Bethlehem, Pennsylvania-based candy manufacturer, Just Born, (founded by Russian immigrant Sam Born in 1923) began selling

Peeps in the 1950s. The original Peeps were handmade, marshmallow-flavored yellow chicks, but other shapes and flavors were later introduced, including chocolate mousse bunnies.

### EASTER PARADE

In New York City, the Easter Parade tradition dates back to the mid-1800s, when the upper crust of society would attend Easter services at various Fifth Avenue churches then stroll outside afterward, showing off their new spring outfits and hats. Average citizens started showing up along Fifth Avenue to check out the



action. The tradition reached its peak by the mid-20th century, and in 1948, the popular film *Easter Parade* was released, starring Fred Astaire and Judy Garland and featuring the music of Irving Berlin. The title song includes the lyrics: "In your Easter bonnet, with all the frills upon it/You'll be the grandest lady in the Easter parade."

The Easter Parade tradition lives on in Manhattan, with Fifth Avenue from 49th Street to 57th Street being shut down during the day to traffic. Participants often sport elaborately decorated bonnets and hats. The event has no religious significance, but sources note that Easter processions have been a part of Christianity since its earliest days. Today, other cities across America also have their own parades.

# Information Please!

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

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Fire Emergencies	Call 911
Police Department	468-1515
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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

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

Happy Belated March Birthday  
to Mary Jo Bolton.



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### Random Fact:

As a child, Albert Einstein seldom spoke. When he did, he spoke very slowly. According to accounts, Einstein did this until he was nine years old. Einstein's parents were fearful that he was retarded.

### Bonus Fact:

At 17, Albert Einstein applied for early admission into the Swiss Federal Polytechnical School (Eidgenössische Technische Hochschule or ETH). He passed the math and science sections of the entrance exam, but failed the rest (history, languages, geography, etc.). Einstein had to go to a trade school before he retook the exam and was finally admitted to ETH a year later.

## Philadelphia Missionary Baptist Church Services



Rev. James W. Ramsey - Pastor  
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and Sis. Josie "Jackson"  
& Sis. Monique Taylor for the children.  
Men's Day service will be held  
on the 4<sup>th</sup> 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

Wednesday Schedule

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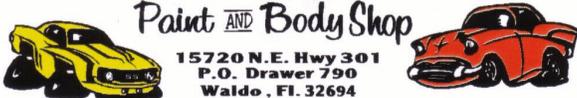
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