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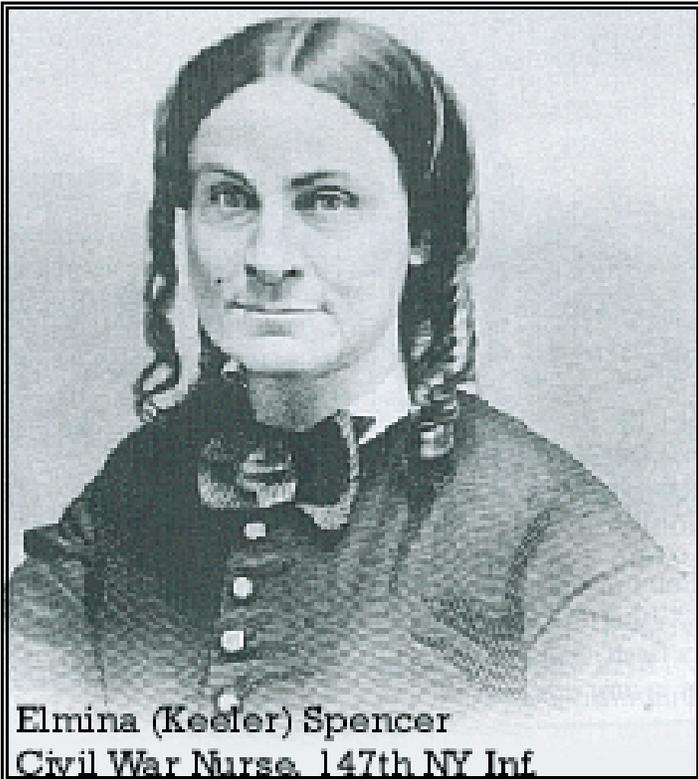
This Series is dedicated to the citizens of Waldo whose ancestors nursed the injured during the Civil War skirmishes under Captain J.J. Dickison.

## Mrs. Elmina P. Spencer by Lucy Roe Cook

**M**rs. Elmina P. Spencer went to the front in 1862 with her husband who was surgeon of the One Hundred and Forty-seventh New York Infantry.

After the battle of Gettysburg, she was appointed State Agent by the Governor of New York and was also made Matron in charge of all supplies at Windmill Point, Virginia.

The purveying steamer Planter was at her disposal, on which she had continuously 1000 rations with bedding and clothing for needy soldiers. While on shore she had teams at her command and a surgeon to sign her orders.



Elmina (Keeler) Spencer  
Civil War Nurse, 147th NY Inf.

General Grant gave her a pass that carried her everywhere until the close of the war. She was ready for every battle in which the Potomac army was engaged. This averaged forty miles a day on horseback..

A large roan horse, saddled, bridled and loaded upon each side a full knapsack and on the back a roll of bedding, and on the front hanging from the pommels, a coffee pot,

canteen and two haversacks filled with supplies, which were accessible in case of accident and in the middle on the saddle her own dear self sitting in a position most people would deemed untenable.

Mrs. Spencer was the first nurse to reach Gettysburg where she remained for several weeks at the Little White Church, where she cared for General Sickles after his leg was shot off.

At the dedication of the National Cemetery, President Lincoln personally thanked her for her service giving her his enclosed card which admitted her at all times to his presence and in 1890 at the dedication of the New York monuments she was presented with a beautiful medal.

### August Birthdays

- |                      |                   |
|----------------------|-------------------|
| 3 Pala DeBois        | 19 Faye Mitchell  |
| 4 Paula Pope         | 21 Leigha Woods   |
| 4 Amanda Thomas      | 21 Jenny Ankney   |
| 5 Carla Mauldin      | 21 Sheila Howard  |
| 6 Flozell Ross       | 25 Corina Hill    |
| 9 Natanael Gutierrez | 26 Kevin Woods    |
| 9 Mary Wilson        | 27 Carl Hill      |
| 10 Thelma Bay        | 28 Ray Burnsed    |
| 10 Christine Hill    | 28 Monique Taylor |
| 12 Frankie Kemp      | 29 Charles Hill   |
| 15 Rachael Ankney    | 29 Mike Knupp     |
| 16 Elizabeth Davis   | 30 Amber Clayton  |
| 17 Mattie Green      | 31 Rachel Holcolm |
| 17 Harold Minnix Jr. |                   |

**Waldo Historical Society Meeting**  
July 29 - 7:00 pm  
Waldo Community Center  
Refreshments as always - Please Come!

### Kid Jokes

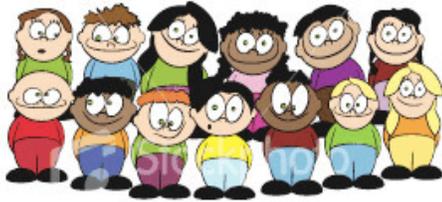
What do you get when you cross a parrot  
and a centipede?

A walkie-talkie

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## Waldo's Kids by Thelma Bay

**I** know all of you are suffering through this extreme hot weather. Out our way the mosquitos no longer bite. They sit around and fan themselves!



Now, let's get serious. We have some good news that we need to report. School starts again on Monday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>. Meet the Teacher is Friday August 20<sup>th</sup> from 12:30 to 2:00 pm. This is great news because your child or grandchild has an opportunity to say hello and take a look around their new room.

Speaking of teachers, we are always lucky to keep the ones we had plus we keep our wonderful principal, Mr. Powell. Two new teachers will join the school: Nicole Bullock, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, and Melissa Otero, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade. We also have a new Behavior Specialist, Annie Harris. So kids? Be on your best behavior.

Congratulations to Waldo Community School Citizen of the Year Kaylee Roberts. Kaylee is the daughter of Larry Roberts and Pam Kirkland. I have watched Kaylee grow up and she is an awesome kid. I predict she'll go far.

By the time you're reading this, our Annual School Supply Give Away will be over. We were so lucky this year to get a huge amount of donations. Thanks to everyone who remembered a child.

Take care of yourselves, try to stay cool and I'll see you next month.

## A Little Bird Told Me By Lucy Roe Cook

**T**his little bird has found some happy news in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Hall here in Waldo. Mrs. Fay Hall reported to this little bird that on Father's Day, 25 family and friends celebrated Father's Day with Charles.

Among them were sons Charles D., Randy D. and Earl T. Daughter Shirley Ann Feagle was also present. They are indeed blessed.

This little bird has heard of the passing of a dear woman of Waldo who will be greatly missed. My song is strong for our Lord God has called her home. Mrs. Zylphia Porter Walker retired nurse, age 85, wife of the late Jack



Walker is survived by a large loving family one of which is our own beloved Monique Taylor of Waldo, FL. Prayers go out for all of you. May your sorrow heal.

Mr. and Mrs. Easterwood have donated to the Waldo Historical Society a beautiful wedding dress from the year 1901 accompanied with a photo of the bride and groom. This will be a treasured addition to the coming Waldo Museum. Waldo Historical Society has also been given many more wonderful items. Thank you each one. My little yellow feathers are fluffed with joy at the sounds of summer.

While flying loop t loops over the playgrounds in Waldo I hear the laughter of children. I know of no happier sound than children laughing.

Grandparents are happy with visits from the children and Grandchildren. One of these is Mrs. Vera Mauldin who is having a long visit with her son, Keith Mauldin, and his wife, Carla, and the three children, Anthony, Christian and Evon. This little bird hears they are expecting another little one due around Christmas.

Thank you for the birdbaths in Waldo. It has been very hot and my feathered friends and I appreciate the cool water. See you soon. Splash, splash.



## Fish Tales

by Buddy Thompson

**A**lex had a terrible day fishing on the river, sitting in the hot blazing sun all day without catching a single one. On the way home, he stopped by the fish market and ordered four speckled trout. He told the salesman, Pick four large ones out and throw them at me, will you?"

"Why do you want me to throw them at you?" asked the salesman.

"So that I am able to tell my wife, in all honesty, that I caught them," said Alex.

"Okay, but I suggest that you take the salmon."

"Why's that?"

"Because your wife came in earlier today and said that If you came by, I should tell you to take salmon. That's what she'd like for supper tonight," replied the salesman.

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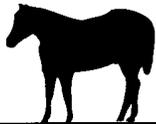
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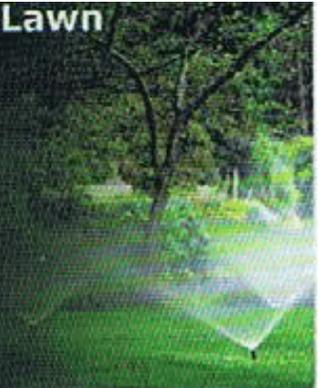
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- ½ Tsp. Salt
- 2 Tbsp. Sugar

Mix well, add 1 pt. blueberries, put in greased cupcake pans, bake at 400 degrees for 15 minutes

P.S: Put ½ Cup flour, ½ Cup sugar in bowl, mix. Add blueberries. Drench with flour mixture, then add to batter.

**BEAT TOGETHER:**

- 2 Eggs, beaten
- 1 Cup milk
- 1/4 Cup melted butter
- Add to flour mixture



Thelma Bay

**Acts of Kindness  
by Thelma Bay**

Special Thanks to our City Manager, Kim Worley for her kindness to others. All of us who helped with the Waldo Kids Summer Camp were honored by Kim and the City Council at the July 13<sup>th</sup> Meeting. Her dedication to the City of Waldo, her thoughtfulness to all citizens, help make Waldo a great place to live. Thank you Kim, many times over.

**ENJOY!**

Commodities  
Thursday, August 26, 2010  
1 pm - 2 pm  
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