

LOCAL NEWS

◆ NAKED MAN ARRESTED

A Cartersville man faces charges after he walked around naked inside Travel Center of America, Cass White Rd. Bartow County Sheriff's Deputies arrived to find Anthony Clark Skelton, 62, sitting in a booth. The general manager of the store said he approached the man who was wearing a jacket. The manager made him take off his jacket and cover his lower extremities with it. It appeared Skelton was intoxicated but told officers the last beer he had was fourteen days ago. He added that he was walking around the store naked because he could not control his bowels so he took his pants off in the store. His pants were located and he was taken to jail. He is charged with public drunkenness and public indecency.

♦ BOYFRIEND'S BONFIRE TURNS HEATED

Joseph Drew Culver, allegedly called and told his girlfriend Monday that she need not come home because he was having a bonfire. He also told her he would kill her and her children if they came. She arrived at her Center Street home to see her mattress and love seat burning in the back yard. She told Bartow Co. Sheriff's Deputies he pushed her onto the bed and choked her and she stopped him by hitting him on the head with something. Culver told officers his girlfriend got home from work and he told her he was leaving to return to his wife. Culver, 31, was taken to the Bartow County Jail and charged with aggravated assault by strangulation, arson, and criminal trespass.

TOP NEWS

• An arraignment hearing was held Tuesday in the case of Brandy Ann Boyd and Austin Levi Payne concerning the death of Journey Ann Cowart. Boyd and Payne each entered a not guilty plea before Superior Court Judge G. Carey Nelson, III.

• Activists rallied in downtown Atlanta in response to a grand jury's decision not to indict the police officer who shot and killed an 18 year old in Ferguson, Missouri. Atlanta Mayor Kasim Reed urged everyone taking part in the demonstrations to do so peacefully. Vast demonstrations of thousands are demonstrating in most large cities across the nation. In New York protesters blocked a tunnel entrance to neighboring New Jersey. Most protests were peaceful.

• The National Retail Federations top toys survey said the top toy for girls this year is Disney Frozen followed by Barbie. The top toys for boys is Lego, Cars & Trucks and Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles.

• This holiday season you will be paying the lowest prices for gasoline in five years according to AAA. AAA said the national average price for regular unleaded gas fell for 60 consecutive days reaching an average price of \$2.81 per gallon.

Swheat Market & Deli-5 E. Main St. (770-607-0067) Chicken Tacos: Chopped Romaine, Pico De Gallo, Cheddar & Chipotle, Ranch Dressing Soups: Fiesta Chicken Stew -Creamy Kale with Italian Sausage - Chicken Sausage Tomato & Arugula

