

Commissioner isn't afraid to dance

Special to the Democrat

A few artful questions from COCA for Alan Brock, chairman, Wakulla County Commission.

Q: Can you play a musical instrument?

A: When I was child I took piano lessons, but I didn't practice enough, so I no longer have that skill.

Q: Do you own any original art?

A: I am a fan of graphic art posters and have a few limited edition prints.

Q: What was the first concert you ever attended?

A: I grew up attending church concerts and cantatas. I don't remember the first commercial concert I ever attended, but the best concert I ever saw, surprisingly, was Moby. Moby is mainly a DJ but his "Play" concert had the music and singing performed live, and it was phenomenal.

Q: What book is on your nightstand right now?

A: I just finished reading "Game Change: Obama and the Clintons, McCain and Palin, and the Race of a Lifetime," by John Heilemann and Mark Halperin. I have



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started reading "What is the What," by Dave Eggers, which is a novel about the life of Valentino Achak Deng.

Q: When was the last time you danced?

A: Yesterday I was dancing listening to old music while baby-sitting my nephew. I find my goofy dance style to be appreciated the most by the young and young at heart.

Q: What was the last live performance you saw?

A: I attended the Wakulla High School "Night of One-Act Plays" last month. They were

great.

Q: What movie has most affected you?

A: This is actually the hardest question for me. I don't often dwell on movies. I'd say "Grave of the Fireflies," a Japanese anime film from the late '80s. It tells the story of two kids orphaned during World War II in Japan. It was one of the first movies that made



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me think about the world from a completely different perspective.

Q: What was the last thing you made by hand?

A: A Christmas card for one of my friends.

Q: When was the last time you were on a stage?

A: I haven't performed since I was in college, but as a county commissioner I have the opportunity to speak to crowds fairly often. I'm told by many constituents that our meetings are very entertaining.

Q: What artistic talent do you wish you had?

A: I wish I was a singer.

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