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Commissioner Gavin Rollins, left, introduces a resolution to affirm the second amendment which would override any federal restrictions.
 Resolution will exclude Clay from future federal gun restrictions

Commissioners vote to affirm second amendment

By Wesley LeBlanc
 Staff Writer

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – After nearly three hours of public comment and board member discussion, the Board of County Commissioners voted to reaffirm their commitment to upholding the Second Amendment.

Councilman Gavin Rollins placed an item on the Nov. 26 BCC meeting agenda to make Clay County a gun sanctuary county. Sanctuary may be open to interpretation, but what Rollins wanted to make clear the county would be exempt if federal laws change and citizens would be required to turn in certain weapons. Clay County would use the results of *Printz v. United States* to keep federal law from overruling.

“Whereas, the U.S Supreme Court found in *Printz v. United States*, 521 U.S.



Clay resident Bill Elrod tells the commission he supports the resolution that protects gun ownership.

898 (1997), that the Federal government cannot compel law enforcement offices to the States to enforce federal laws as it would increase the power of the Federal government far beyond that which the constitution intended,” the county’s resolution states.

The lawsuit boils down to the idea that the federal government cannot force local law enforcement to enforce federal law. In

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PHOTO BY CHRISTINA SWANSON

Austin Cazares, left, gets a hug from Mr. Kettles mascot, Kenny Fanuke, after the official kick-off parade for the Red Kettle campaign and Santa’s arrival at Orange Park Mall.

The Sound of Ringing Bells

Salvation Army’s mission to help Clay County lasts year-round

By Christina Swanson
 Correspondent

ing bells, whether decorative sleigh and jingle bells or hand-held red kettle bells – all reminders of the joy of the season and the real reason of giving hope and giving back to those in need.

For the Salvation Army’s world-wide

CLAY COUNTY – Holiday traditions abound – including the sound of ring-

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Clay County Memories



By Mary Jo McTammany tamctammany@comcast.net

Canova Christmas Party became more exciting than intended

From the late 1830s to the 1900s, Victorians in Europe and the former English colonies across the pond in America were overwhelmed with a mass compulsion to overdo – architecture, women's hats, tableware and Christmas.

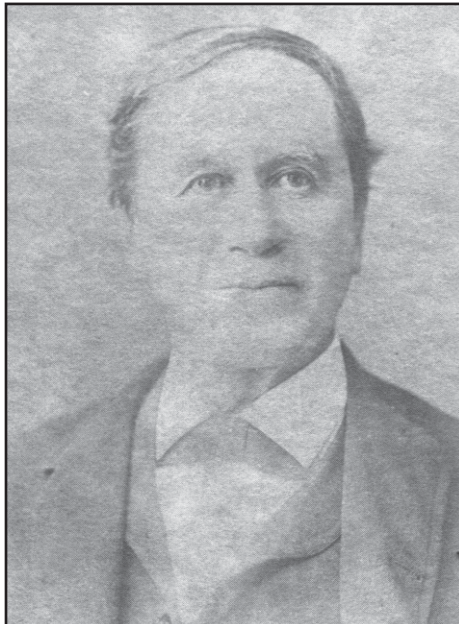
Not satisfied with the customs and traditions evolved over centuries, they tacked on a gingerbread trim of secular symbols including Santa Clause, gaily decorated trees and extravagant gift giving.

This newfangled Christmas was slow to arrive and even slower to take hold in the area now known as Clay County. Wealthy, trend setting Victorians in cities like London, Paris, New York and Philadelphia were flush with money and time on their hands.

After the war, most residents of Clay County remained locked in a battle to survive in an agricultural economy with cash money scarce and free time just as hard to come by.

In the 1880s, northeastern tycoons of manufacturing, railroading and mining built huge homes in Green Cove Springs and Orange Park. They arrived for the winter with their furnishings, staffs, and opulent lifestyles including the new secular trappings of Christmas.

The new river towns also attracted a ro-



Raphael Canova moved his family to Clay County following the Civil War. He was elected the county's first Clerk of the Court after the 1871 referendum moving the county seat from Middleburg to Green Cove Springs. He earned considerable respect because he managed to do the job without being shot or shooting anyone.

bust class of merchants, professionals and businessmen to settle year-round. Affluent

locals and new arrivals alike became enthusiastic participants in the new seasonal rituals patterned after Clement Moore's 1849 poem, "A Visit from St. Nicholas". Raphael Canova, an influential planter and former Sheriff of St. Johns County and mayor of St. Augustine, settled in Green Cove Springs soon after the end of the Civil War. His family was possibly one of the first locals to be known for their gaily decorated and candlelit Christmas tree – and the year it almost burned the house down.

That Christmas Eve, family, friends and neighbors gathered in the Canova's parlor for the arrival of Santa. The children were stunned into silence by the sight of a tree in the house and bathed in the dim light cast by a myriad of flickering candles clipped to the ends of its branches. Tiny, colorfully wrapped and bowed gifts for each child decorated the fat cedar tree.

Santa, Raphael's grown son, Phillip, attired in a fur-trimmed Santa outfit shipped all the way from New York City and wearing long white hair and beard ho-ho-hoed his way through the crowd. He was the spitting image of political cartoonist, Thomas Nast's illustration in the 1886 Harper's Bazaar. As he began removing candy and small wrapped gifts from the tree, his beard caught fire – panic and screaming ensued.

Luckily, just then the family patriarch, Raphael, galloped into the yard and, attracted by the screeching, strode into the fray. He whipped off his greatcoat and wrapped it around the smoldering tree.

The house shook when he slammed his boot into the door to the front porch, calmly walked to the railing and flung tree, coat and all into the horse watering trough. Phillip was not seriously hurt but shaken by what might have happened. For a few days he looked badly sunburned and it took almost till spring for his eyelashes and eyebrows to grow back.

As the 1900s unfolded, investors and developers swarmed further south. The economic good times sputtered. What little cash was generated was sucked up by taxes, barter ruled and frivolous spending spelled doom.

After World War II, the economy grew flush again.

Since then they have kept right up with every latest trend and today can overindulge their children with the best of them. Still ... for many in Clay County, Christmas remains, even with all the mass marketing, a time for celebrating the birth of Christ and sharing good times and good food with friends and family.

Henley selected to replace Raymond on Orange Park Town Council

By Wesley LeBlanc
Staff Writer

ORANGE PARK – The town council selected Eddie Henley to fill the vacancy left behind by Ron Raymond following his death in October.

After narrowing down the list of 11 people to the top three during their Dec. 3 meeting, the council voted once more to determine who their top choice would be. Henley was selected with a 4-0 vote to fill Seat 1 left behind by Raymond. Henley is a 24-year resident of Orange Park who's worked in public service for more than 37 years, including time in the military.

"I've been serving people all my adult life," Henley said. "I want to be a unified voice for all the people of Orange Park. Whatever their desires or wishes are, I would like to be their instrument and I

want to be a part of this unified council."

Henley has run for a seat on the council several years ago and is expected to run for Seat 1 when he expires Raymond's term next year. Council member Roland Mastandrea said before the deliberations that he would prefer to select someone who didn't have plans to run for council next year so as not to give anyone an advantage in the campaign race.

"I don't want to give anybody an advantage over anybody else," Mastandrea said. "It should all be equal."

Of the final three, which consisted of Henley, Larry Nichols and Winnette Sandlin, Nichols was the only candidate without plans to run for council next year. Mastandrea said he would have liked to have selected Nichols for this reason but in the end, he voted for Henley, likely to show a

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Eddie Henley, fourth from left, is welcomed by other Orange Park Town Council members Mayor Connie Thomas, Alan Watt, Roland Mastandrea and Randy Anderson.

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Judge Don Lester

Guitars and gavels

Judge Don Lester finds balance between picking a tune, dispensing justice

*Well good morning Judge,
how are you today
I'm in trouble, please put me away
A pretty thing took a shine to me
I couldn't stop her, so I let it be*

“Good Morning Judge” -By 10cc

By Don Coble
Managing Editor

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – There was a time Don Lester dreamed of playing heavy-handed guitar lick for Lynyrd Skynyrd’s “Free Bird” or the melodic introduction to Yes’ “Roundabout.”

“I briefly entertained that idea when I was in my 20s,” he said, “but I realized I wouldn’t be good enough. I decided to get a real job and went to law school.”

Now a Circuit Court Judge for Clay County, Lester still plays in-between court sessions and reading case law. He tries to spend an hour a day with his acoustic guitar, picking music that brings him a moment of inner peace in a job full of difficult decisions that comes with determining justice for society and its criminals.

“This job can be pretty intense, as you see,” he said from his office at the Clay County Courthouse. “When I sit on the couch in my office and play, it clears your mind. It’s a way to meditate.”

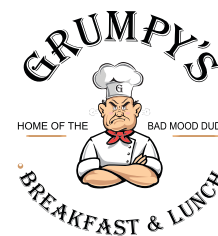
Lester used to be the lawyer for many of the members of Lynyrd Skynyrd and 38 Special. His connection with Johnny and Donnie Van Zant is so strong, he was invited to Lynyrd Skynyrd’s first concert of the tribute tour at Oakland, California – 10 years following the band’s plane crash in 1977.

“After I really got to know them, you realize these stars are ordinary people with extraordinary talent,” Lester said. “In the book ‘Tipping Point,’ you see where to get to the top of the game, you need to work 10,000 hours at it. You have to be relentless. You have to put in the time, and they’ve done that.”

Lester’s diligence has been in the courtroom. He was appointed judge by Gov. Charlie Crist in 2010, and he’s been on the bench since. His highest-profile case involved Donald Davidson, a Clay County man who was sentenced to Florida’s Death Row in September for the murder of a Middleburg woman and the rape of her 10-year-old daughter. It’s the only person Lester’s sentenced to death.

Nearly 50 years ago, Lester was in the U.S. Air Force, playing side gigs in Germany. He played country, top 40 and blues.

SEE JUDGE, 25



Grumpy's Restaurant Employees: Jackie (Left), Mrs. Margie (Center) & Stephanie (Right)

A Not So Grumpy Legacy.

Grumpy's Restaurant is far more than a local breakfast, lunch and brunch favorite. They are also known for their amazing employees, some of which have been with the company for more than 20 years. What is better than long-term tenured employees who love the company and brand they work for? Three generations of them! Meet “The Grumpy's Queens!” Mrs. Margie (mother), Jackie (daughter) and Stephanie (granddaughter). They proudly represent three generations and all love working together at Grumpy's Restaurant.

True Family.

Grumpy's Restaurant takes the term “family” serious as it is imbedded in who they are and what they represent. You can see this in every aspect of the brands culture, mission and vision. “Grumpy's Restaurant was born out of passion and love for bringing family and friends together over great diner food. Our commitment and mission are to deliver the highest quality dining experience at an affordable price for families everywhere. All while closing at 2:00p.m., providing the ultimate family, work and life balance.”

The Official Grumpy's Restaurant Brand Ambassador.

Mrs. Margie has been a staple at Grumpy's Restaurant since its move to Kingsley Avenue back in 2000. As a longtime resident of Orange Park, FL some have even titled her as, “The Unofficial Mayor of Orange Park!” Every weekend you can find Mrs. Margie's amazing smile greeting guests as they arrive, giving countless hugs and chatting with old and new guests alike. If you ask why she has been working at Grumpy's for so long, she will tell you, “Grumpy's is my family, I love my coworkers like my own children and family, but most of all, I enjoy seeing all the familiar faces of our customers every weekend.”

Although, Grumpy's has evolved over the years, some things have not changed, such as Mrs. Margie's hard work and dedication. Why hasn't she retired, you may ask? “This is the best Grumpy's Restaurant has been since I've been involved. I want to be part of the best Grumpy's yet!,” Mrs. Margie said.

Margie 2.0.

This (Not-So-Grumpy's) Family Legacy continues on with Jackie, Mrs. Margie's daughter. She has been working for Grumpy's since 2001, a year longer than her mother. They both love working together and they have known some of Grumpy's regular customers since their previous employment in Orange Park, dating back to 1996. Grumpy's patrons have seen Jackie grow, not only with the company, but from a young adult to a mother and grandmother, herself.

Jackie 2.0.

“Why would I work anywhere else?,” said Stephanie, Jackie's daughter who currently closes out this Not-So-Grumpy Family Legacy. During high school, she became part of the Grumpy's family, first starting as a hostess and then serving tables. As time flew by, Stephanie graduated high school and then college. She then went on to become a teacher here in Clay County, all while serving tables at Grumpy's on the weekends and off time from teaching.

About Grumpy's Restaurant.

Founded in 2001 and franchising since 2019, Grumpy's Restaurant is traditional Americana, a full-service restaurant offering breakfast, lunch and brunch. Grumpy's offers fresh, made-to-order and always-made-from-scratch menu items at an affordable, family-friendly price. For more information about Grumpy's Restaurant you can visit their website: www.Grumpys-RestaurantCo.com or visit them Mon. – Sun. from 5:30a.m. – 2:00p.m. at: 834 Kingsley Ave, Orange Park, FL 32073.

House bills would give benefits for dog racing workers who lose jobs

By Renzo Downey
For FloridaPolitics.com

ORANGE PARK – Following last year's greyhound racing ban, the Democratic House leader wants to pay back industry workers who will lose their jobs by the end of next year.

Voters approved a constitutional amendment in 2018 that will outlaw dog racing and betting starting in 2021. But legislation by Rep. Kionne McGhee, of Cutler Bay, would create a compensation trust fund to distribute to people affected by the industry's closure.

"As a result of the prohibition on greyhound racing and wagering, thousands of people have lost or will lose their jobs, and racing greyhound and kennel owners will lose millions of dollars in property value," according to the legislation.

McGhee filed both bills (HB 803 and HB 805) last week. The legislation would establish the trust fund within the Department of Business and Professional Regulation's Division of Pari-mutuel Wagering.

After 69% of voters approved Amendment 13, greyhound racetracks began closing across the state, including bestbet of Orange Park. Five of the state's 11 tracks either closed or did not reopen for a new season, said National Greyhound Association executive director Jim Gartland. The track on U.S. 17, however, still has a live racing card every night at 7:45, excluding Sundays and Tuesdays, as well as matinees on Wednesdays and Saturdays at 12:35 p.m. and Sunday at 1:30 p.m.

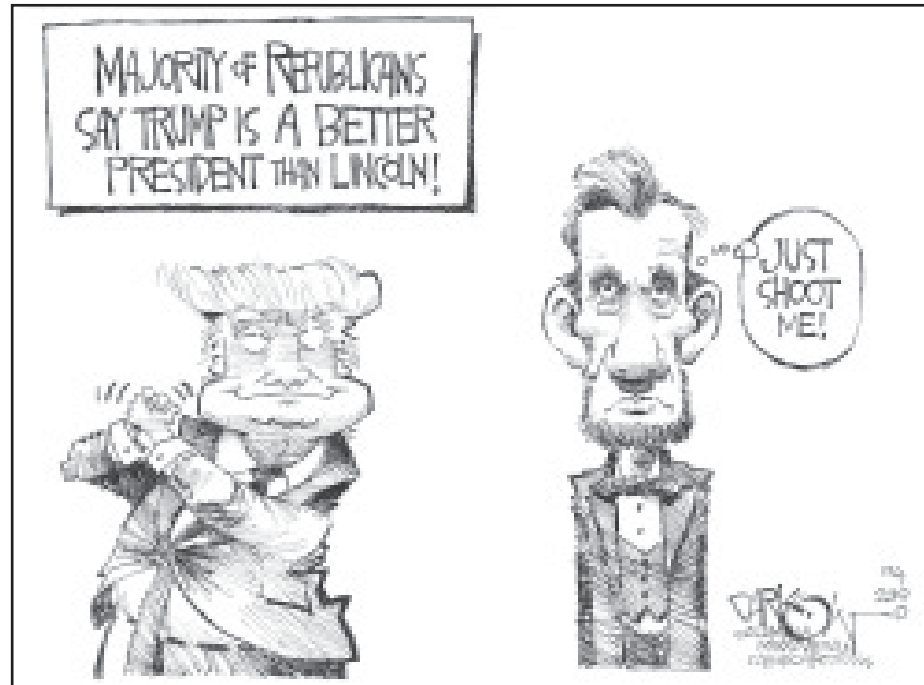
In August, a St. Petersburg kennel owner sued the state for damages for devaluing his greyhounds. Others filed a suit last month.

Due process requires that racing dog owners be compensated, according to an August National Greyhound Association news release. But Attorney General Ashley Moody has asked a state judge to dismiss the case because voters passed the ban.

Dollars for the fund would be diverted from revenue from other betting programs, including savings from the greyhound race betting industry closure. The betting regulatory agency would also select a statewide organization to distribute the fund and provide the state with an annual expenditure report.

Unless terminated sooner, the trust fund would continue into 2024.

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GUEST COLUMN

Study: \$15 minimum wage could create a 'fiscal cliff' for low-income families relying on childcare subsidies

By Janelle Irwin Taylor
For FloridaPolitics.com

As Orlando attorney John Morgan leads his latest fight to increase the state's minimum wage incrementally to \$15 an hour, debates are raging between those who see it as a necessary move to provide livable wages and those who see it as a potential catastrophe for businesses.

Arguments against raising wages all the way to \$15 an hour have centered on its negative impacts to business owners and potential unintended consequences for workers who could face losing their jobs or having their hours cut.

But there's another set of issues that have gotten less attention.

Raising the minimum wage to \$15 an hour could have a major disruptive effect to childcare in Florida – for both providers and consumers.

The Early Learning Coalition of Orange County has been paying close attention. Childcare providers there are already experiencing the effects as Walt Disney, one of the county's largest employers, is now implementing its own plan to raise wages to \$15 by next October.

In a recent report, the Early Learning Coalition of Orange County outlined its findings.

That preliminary review found that nearly 80% of families with three or fewer children currently receiving childcare subsidies would not have been eligible for

those childcare vouchers had they been earning \$15 an hour.

Florida caps childcare subsidy eligibility at 150% the federal poverty level, which amounts to \$31,200 for a single parent with one child, that caps their eligibility at just over \$25,000 a year. For a single parent with two children, the cap is just shy of \$32,000 in annual income.

Under that model a single parent with an infant earning the state's current minimum wage would earn \$16,629 a year, safely qualifying for a childcare subsidy and leaving that parent with an approximate yearly out-of-pocket childcare cost of \$1,378.

With a \$15 minimum wage, that same parent would be pushed over what industry insiders call the fiscal cliff and no longer qualify for a subsidy. They would go from paying about 8% of their yearly income on childcare to more than 30%. However, that parent would still see a net increase in their take-home pay of more than \$6,000.

A single parent with two children would actually take home less money after considering childcare costs under a \$15 minimum wage than they would under the state's existing minimum.

The Early Learning Coalition is not suggesting through its analysis that wages should not increase. Rather the group is asking the Legislature to consider revising the childcare subsidy income requirements.

The group is making similar suggestions

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Word OF THE WEEK

Word of the Week is a feature that aims to help readers boost their vocabulary in a meaningful way that has practical application. Each week, our editorial staff presents a word, its definition and its use in a sentence.

Trover: (trō-vər) a noun that means an action to recover damages for goods withheld or used by another illegally.

"Trover cases have been described as "finders keepers, losers weepers" cases.

This week in history

Five years ago, 2014

- Four Ridgeview High students attend the National Academy of Future Physicians and Medical Scientists in Washington, D.C., with hopes of exploring the medical field following graduation

- Clay County serves as host to for a majority of the filming of "Krue." "

- Clay County Dr. Roland Powers donates his \$500 HCA First Humanitarian Award to the Navy Marines Corps Society.

10 years ago, 2009

- The new Clay County Animal Care and Control's off-site adoption center leads to more pet adoptions than euthanasia.

- County Commissioners were forced to approve added expenditures to pay for \$688,457 in "unforeseen" problems.

- County and city officials break ground on a planned 12-home neighborhood for Habitat for Humanity.

20 years ago, 1999

- The school district isn't in favor of spending \$6.8 million to buy more buses and hire drivers to alleviate a daily schedule that involves separate shifts for elementary, junior high and senior high students.

- Former Clay Today general manager/publisher Michael McMichael Jr., 52, is killed in a car accident.

- Santa Claus arrives in parades in Green Cove Springs and Keystone Heights.

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Opinions

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Subsidies

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for other social safety nets low-income workers currently enjoy.

Under a \$15 minimum wage, a single parent with one child in school would no longer qualify for free or reduced meals for their child.

A single parent with two children in school would qualify for reduced priced meals, but not free as they currently do.

The group is also asking the Legislature to review the value of vouchers.

Even without a minimum wage increase, families who receive childcare subsidies are already often forced to choose between lower quality care for their child or paying out-of-pocket to cover overages.

The Early Learning Coalition of Orange County found that voucher value was about 68% the actual market cost of quality childcare.

To bring voucher values to the 2017 market rate, the group would need more than \$20 million in additional revenue to provide vouchers that cover real cost.

Locally, Hillsborough and Pinellas County's Early Learning Coalitions are just beginning to evaluate the potential effects to consumers under a hypothetical \$15 minimum wage.

Both counties might not see the same effects as Orange County.

Through local contributions, both counties are able to provide subsidies to families living up to 200% of the federal poverty level instead of 150%.

But there are still concerns about the fiscal cliff.

"What we see even before the min wage increase is there's a fiscal cliff," said Lindsay Carson, CEO Early Learning Coalition of Pinellas County. "A family makes just enough money that they don't qualify but they're not actually making enough to be self-sufficient.

"We have to recalibrate," she added, noting the recommendations from her Orange County counterparts.

Carson and other Early Learning Coalition heads are not taking a position on the minimum wage, but they are carefully watching the issue and taking steps to be prepared if a change does eventually come to fruition.

"It's a fairly new conversation for us and we're just trying to understand the potential ramifications and benefits," Carson said.



Ameris Bank makes investments in Clay charities

Clay County's Ameris Bank recently collected 16,193 food items to benefit local food banks for the holidays. The bank also gave checks to several local charities, including one to Quigley House. Susan Atwell, CEO of Quigley House, left, accepts a check from Tyra Nelson, Ameris Bank branch manager. Quigley is Clay County's only Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault shelter. Middleburg United Methodist Church, Green Cove Springs Food Bank and Clothes Closet and Food Pantry also received money from the bank.

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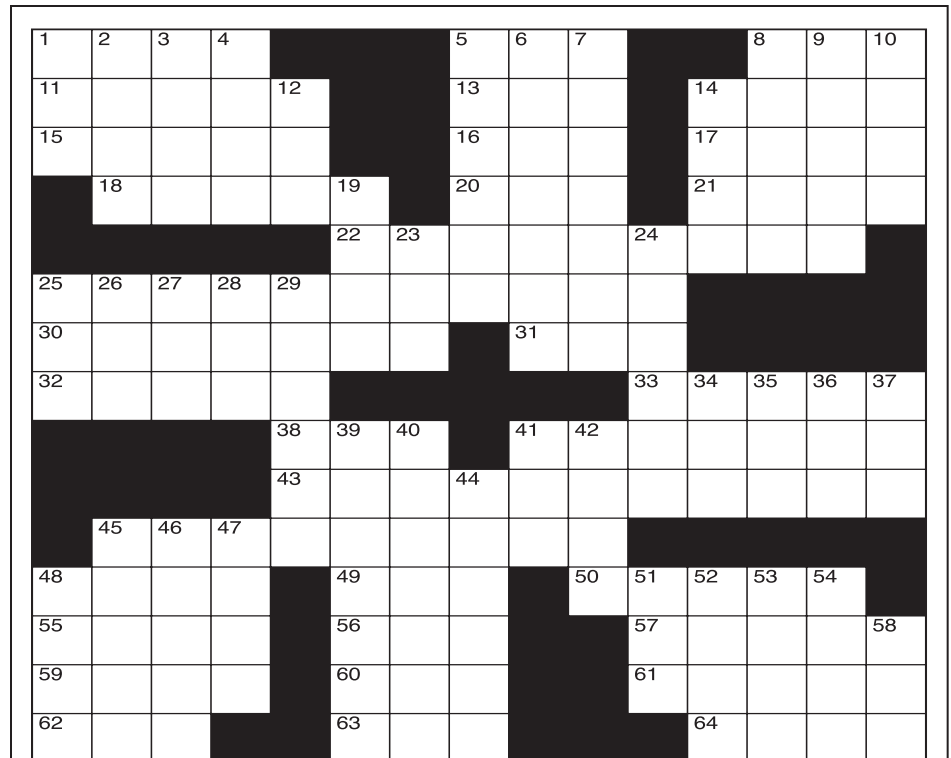
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30 years ago, 1989

- Clay County Sheriff's Office arrest two men and a juvenile in connection with a string of Thanksgiving burglaries.
- Green Cove Springs approves plan for a nomination to become a National Historic District on the National Register of Historic Places.
- The Clay County Recreation Department opens a new boat ramp at Governor's Creek in Green Cove Springs.

40 years ago, 1979

- A time capsule is buried during a ceremony at the Old County Courthouse in Green Cove Springs.
- Jerry Smith is elected president of the Clay County Cattleman's Association.
- A grand jury doesn't find any large-scale issues in the Green Cove Springs city administration, but does uncover "petty criminal offenses" by some of the employees.



CLUES ACROSS

1. Egyptian bull-god
5. America
8. Type of field (abbr.)
11. Reagan's Deputy AG
13. Negative
14. Mother of Hermes
15. Summer and Winter Olympics gold medal winner
16. In shape
17. Oh my goodness!
18. People of Guinea or Sierra Leone
20. A form of 'to be'
21. Succulent plant
22. Estranges
25. Honest
30. Showing conviction
31. High schoolers' test
32. Implant
33. Acknowledgment
38. Cash dispenser
41. Transferred to another
43. Superhero group
45. Photographers
48. Small, rich sponge cake
49. Power to perceive
50. Heavy cavalry sword

CLUES DOWN

1. Type of degree
2. Expression of sorrow or pity
3. Large, predatory lizard
4. River in Romania
5. Biased
6. Parties
7. TV's used to need one
8. Philly football player
9. Recognized ethnic group of China
10. Gradually disappear
12. Large, dark antelope
14. Vegetarians won't eat it
19. Takes the energy out of
23. Body part
24. Succeed in achieving

25. Where golfers begin
26. Computer memory
27. One who buys and sells securities
28. Midway between north and northeast
29. Quiet and rather dull
34. A limb on which to walk
35. It precedes two
36. Of she
37. Commercials
39. Necessary for sewing
40. Infectious viral disease
41. Expression of good wishes
42. Some are contact
44. More plentiful
45. Secret political clique
46. Behind the stern of a ship
47. Supernatural force
48. Altar in Orthodox churches
51. Swiss river
52. Impartiality
53. 'Luther' actor Idris
54. They resist authority (slang)
58. Criticize

Dubolsky becomes senior pastor at Highland First Baptist

LAWTEY – Mitchel Dubolsky is the new senior pastor at Highland First Baptist Church in Lawtey, the church announced this week.

The church is located just inside the Clay County border at 1409 U.S. 301 in Lawtey.

Dubolsky extended an invitation to all residents to visit on Sunday.

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Local shagger earns spot on national team

Sleeper on shag dancing: 'It was the craziest thing ever'

By Don Coble
Managing Editor

MIDDLEBURG – MacKenzie Sleeper knows some of her friends don't understand her passion for shagging. And more to the point, she knows most of them don't know what it means.

"I didn't know what to think about it at first, either," the 15-year-old from Middleburg said. "It was the craziest thing ever. Now I love it."



The Jacksonville Junior Shaggers, including Middleburg's MacKenzie Sleeper, front, fifth from left, returned from the U.S. Open after Sleeper was selected to be on the national team for national and international competitions.

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Emma Davis, left, and MacKenzie Sleeper were both selected from the Jacksonville Junior Shaggers to the national shag dancing team at the U.S. Open championships at Burbank, Calif.

Shagging

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Shagging is type of line dance that started in the Carolinas and now features some of the intricacies of West Coast swing dance.

"It's a lot more put-together than swing dancing, though," MacKenzie said.

She should know. She was one of two girls selected from the Jacksonville Junior Shaggers who were selected to the national team at last weekend's U.S. Open Swing Dance Championship in Burbank, California.

Carolina Shag was created to be more than entertainment. It was a way for children to develop social, teamwork and communication skills since it requires a dance partner. All of it is done, face-to-face and without the help of a cellphone.

"Shagging is a way to let both dancers have fun," MacKenzie said. "We don't have a lot of people in Florida who are shaggers. My grandpa taught me what I know when I was 6. I saw so many other kids having fun with it, so I tried it."

Dances are well-choreographed and demonstrate an elegance and grace – all while encompassing some of the boogie-routines once common at beach dances on the Carolina shores.

"Shag is a wholesome activity the entire family can enjoy, providing exercise and healthy social interaction for a lifetime. Although concentrated in the South, Shag Clubs can be found throughout the United States," according to the local club's website.

MacKenzie and Jacksonville Juniors teammate Emma Davis of Jacksonville now will work with the national team in

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– MacKenzie Sleeper

Landis, N.C.

"I'll be given so many opportunities with this," MacKenzie said. "My friends think it's a little weird because you have to dance with a male. They just don't understand it. But that's OK."

Her next big competition is the Grand Nationals in Atlanta from May 21-25.

The Jacksonville Junior Shaggers offers free dance lessons to anyone 21 and younger. For more information, go to jaxjr-shaggers.com.

To Learn more about junior shaggers in general Google "Junior Shaggers" or search "Junior Shaggers" on www.youtube.com, Junior Shag Association: www.juniorshaggers.com, Facebook/junior shag association Shag Association: www.shag-dance.com, Shag Tour: <http://shagtour.com>, Competitive Shaggers Association: <http://competitiveshaggers.org>, Facebook/competitive shag dance.

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Obituaries

Douglas Jerome Soto

Douglas Jerome Soto passed away on Nov. 26, 2019 in Orange Park, Florida. He was born on April 16, 1968 in Humboldt, California to Rosalie Corkran.

He held a Class-A CDL license and a motorcycle endorsement. He worked for Archie Powell Trucking Company. Douglas enjoyed weightlifting, riding motorcycles and building classic muscle cars. He proudly provided and loved his family.



Douglas Jerome Soto

Douglas was loved by many. He could bring a smile to anyone's face, brighten up even the darkest of moments or times. Douglas especially loved his granddaughter, Kendall Daisy Jean Soto, who was his pride and joy. He was always around to offer help to anyone in need and worked hard his whole life to make sure his family was well taken care of. He was more than a father to his children, he was their best friend. Douglas' loving nature and strength will be carried on by his family and his memory will forever live on strong. We guess God needed an angel to help Him lift weights up in heaven.

He was preceded in death by his sister, Hope Becker.

Douglas leaves to cherish his memory, mother, Rosalie Corkran; daughter, Brittany Soto; sons, Kyle and Michael Soto; granddaughter, Kendall Soto; grandson, Christian Taylor; brother, Donald Jeffers; friend, Michael Tvardos and many others.

Aaron and Burney Bivens Funeral Home, 529 Kingsley Avenue, Orange Park, FL 32073, (904) 264-1233 is serving the family.



Timothy D. Justice

Timothy D. Justice, 64 of Fleming Island, FL passed away November 28, 2019.

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Michael George Smith

Michael George Smith, 55 of Jacksonville, FL passed away November 30, 2019

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Dorothy Eleanor Thomas Allen

Dorothy Eleanor Thomas Allen, 67, of Orange Park, FL, passed away December 1, 2019. Broadus-Raines Funeral Home, 501 Spring St., Green Cove Springs, FL (904) 284-4000. www.broadusraines.com



Cynthia Herndon Dobozy

Cynthia Herndon Dobozy, 72 of Middleburg, FL passed away November 28, 2019.

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Alice A. Canner

Alice A. Canner, 88 of Orange Park, FL passed away December 3, 2019.

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Trissie Laura Rumohr

Trissie Laura Rumohr, 96 of Penney Farms, FL passed away December 2, 2019.

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Community Briefs

Safe Animal Shelter's Giving Tuesday keeps pets off death row

For Clay Today

MIDDLEBURG – Safe Animal Shelter rescues unwanted dogs and cats. We often save them from death row. We provide the medical care they need and do our best to keep them warm and comfy until we can find them a forever home. This year we will reach more than 1,500 adoptions!

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To help, go to safeanimalshelter.com.



Melissa Etheridge

Melissa Etheridge coming to Thrasher-Horne Center in April

ORANGE PARK – Melissa Etheridge will bring her tour, The Medicine Show, to the Thrasher-Horne Center on April 30 at 7:30 p.m.

The singer will be performing a variety of fan favorites but will also perform songs from her latest album The Medicine Show. Released on April 12 via Concord Records, The Medicine Show reunited with celebrated producer John Shanks for the album which has her sounding as rousing as ever, bringing a new level of artistry to her 15th studio recording. The album deals with universal themes of renewal, reconciliation, reckoning, compassion and, most profoundly, healing.

Through the songs she processed the deep fears and hurting she saw in the nation on collective and personal levels; "Shaking" about national anxiety, "Here Comes the Pain," personalizing the opioid crisis, the unifying "Human Chain" about the hope for healing, and the rocking, anthemic "Love Will Live." More highlights include the album-closer, "Last Hello" drawing on the incredible strengths and courage shown by the survivors of the Parkland school shootings, and the infectious "Wild and Lonely," and "Faded By Design," exploring themes of her past with a new perspective.

Tickets for Melissa Etheridge are currently on sale at Thrasher-Horne Center. Prices range from at \$39-\$90 with all fees included. VIP Packages range from \$199-\$379. Tickets and more information are available at (904) 276-6815 or online at THcenter.org.

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Christmas decorations can lead to increased respiratory problems

Local cleaning company offers tips to breath easier during the holidays

For Clay Today

ORANGE PARK – Millions of Americans recently used the long Thanksgiving weekend to set up their Christmas tree and retrieve other holiday decorations. Unfortunately, these seasonal items can cause respiratory problems for many people, as we breathe in the mold and dust they have collected while sitting in their garage or attic over the past 11 months.

Over the next few weeks, families will spend time cleaning and organizing for guests visiting their house, but what about making sure the air in their home is safe for others to breathe?

According to the EPA, Americans, on average spend approximately 90% of their day indoors, where concentrations of some pollutants can be two to five times higher than the air we breathe outdoors. These conditions are made worse during the holidays as we add trees, decorations and candles around our homes which can be harmful for friends and family members with allergies, asthma, or other respiratory issues.

Here are some common holiday decoration practices that contribute to unhealthy air quality in the home and ways to keep everyone safe this time of year:



Snuff the scented candles

While they can create that warm cozy feeling in your home, candles can also lead to respiratory distress in people with severe allergies or asthma. Some scented, petroleum-based candles can produce soot, as well as irritating particles and gasses. Candles made from soy, hemp, or beeswax, or even ones using LED “flickering light” effects may be a better option.

“Christmas Tree Syndrome” – While the pine scent may be nice to smell, the pollen and mold remaining on a live Christmas tree are dangerous to breathe. Researchers at State University of New York found that 70% of the molds found in live trees can trigger severe asthma attacks, fatigue and sinus congestion. Artificial trees can also cause problems, especially if they’re not wrapped properly and have accumulated dust and mold spores while in storage.

Kevin Hamilton, owner of AvantaClean of Orange Park, said Florida’s climate is more-conducive to allergens and molds.

“We tend to store our knick-knacks in outside storage areas that aren’t climate-controlled,” he said. “The season comes around and we bring them in the house. It’s always a good idea to go through your things before you bring them in because they can change the air quality in the house, and that gets redistributed throughout the house by the HVAC system.”

Here are some tips before you set up the Christmas tree this year:

For artificial trees: wrap the tree securely, store in a cool and dry place; wipe down the tree and ornaments before setting up; and, reduce the amount of spray snow to frost your tree and windows. Aerosolized



Punt the poinsettias

The cheerful, traditional plant is everywhere during the holidays. But did you know poinsettias are members of the rubber tree family? That means anyone allergic to latex could develop anything from a rash to severe breathing problems, just by touching or inhaling the allergen. The plants can also be mildly toxic to pets, which can lead to vomiting, diarrhea or skin or eye irritation in dogs and cats.



For live trees:

Hose off the tree to remove pollen and mold and let dry before you bring it inside; wear gloves and long sleeves when carrying the tree to avoid sap touching your skin; and, wipe down the trunk of the tree with a solution of one-part bleach, 20-parts lukewarm water.

chemicals can cause irritant reactions in the eyes, nose or lungs.

- Dust off the decorations – They’ve been stored away for 11 months in garages, basements or attics which are known hangouts for mold and dust mites, carrying many allergens. Wipe those decorations off thoroughly with a damp cloth when you take them out of storage. After the holidays, pack decorations in plastic bags, or bins, not cardboard. Cardboard is notorious for collecting dust and promoting mold growth.

- Stop the scented sprays and flocking – Creating ambiance from a can could lead to irritated noses and throats, exacerbating

respiratory issues. Instead, try a natural potpourri of water, cinnamon sticks, cloves and orange peels, simmering on the stove, to keep your home smelling fresh and festive.

“We see a lot more soot problems with candles,” Hamilton said. “They’re great, but they emit soot that gets caught in the vents.”



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It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas...



Craig Seaton's Christmas Concert

Local musician Craig Seaton performed his Christmas show last Monday at the Shepherd's Center. Many of the audience sang along with the popular singer/author during his 45-minute concert.



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mission of helping people experiencing hard-times, the sound of bells and coins dropping into kettles means providing a holiday to those who would not have one and so much more.

For more than 125 years, donations from the Red Kettle Campaign, one of the oldest annual charitable fundraisers of its kind in the United States, has made it possible for people and businesses in their community to help struggling residents with temporary shelter, clothing, food and countless social services throughout the

year. Locally, the Salvation Army of Clay County helps those in need during the holidays through the distribution of Thanksgiving food baskets containing everything needed to make a traditional dinner, Christmas food baskets with baked goods and small gifts, and through the Angel Tree program where local folks make dreams a reality by providing new toys and clothing requested by the underprivileged children or "angels."

It's a melodious time in so many ways! For decades the Salvation Army's Clay Corps unit actually kicks-off the holiday season here in mid-November with a parade featuring their brass band and the

arrival of Santa Claus. As the Corps band members march in the parade outside Orange Park Mall, participating children helped escort Santa to his official post in the mall.

As celebratory as all the playing of holiday tunes and ringing of bells are, the monies raised during the Red Kettle Campaign is of major importance in providing funds so the SA can help the needy in our area, not just during the holidays but year-long.

According to the SACC, the Red Kettle Campaign raised \$117,000 last year and \$173,000 in 2017, down in 2018 because of a later start at prime red kettle

Salvation Army's Angel Tree

Time is running out to fill the thousands of gift requests from local children for Christmas. Angel Trees are found throughout Clay County and each tag has the needs of a child who might not find anything under the tree without our help. For more information, contact the Clay County Salvation Army.

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Career Source donates 30 stockings to Salvation Army's Fill-A-Stocking program

Members of Career Source Northeast Florida contribute 30 stockings each year as part of the Salvation Army's program to bring joy and cheer to children in the community. Members include: back, from left, Barry Harvard, Renee Williams, Paulette McCarthy, Joe Thornton, Cheryl Keyes and Catherine Tolbert; middle, from left, Jerry Carter, Deanna Bielecki, Lisa Register, Claudette Washington and Tina Chason; and, front, from left, Debra Hodges, Ana Hartman and Jacki Chimino.



Six-cylinder sleigh

Logan Sully not only believes in the Christmas spirit, he takes it on the road with him. Logan can be seen driving around Orange Park in his colorfully-lighted car. He said it's his way to tell everyone Merry Christmas!

School News

Orange Park, Fleming Island libraries bookmark spaces for teen-specific sections

By Wesley LeBlanc
Staff Writer

CLAY COUNTY – The Orange Park and Fleming Island libraries are home to sections catered specifically for teenagers that include books, movies and video games.

Wanting to create a section just for teenagers where they could be teenagers, the Clay County library system began retrofitting rooms to be designated teen sections. During certain hours in these sections, only teenagers are allowed and instead of hearing a classic “shhh” from the librarian, they’re able to use the space however they wish.

“The idea behind it is that we had a lot of teens coming in the library before we had a designated teen space,” Fleming Island branch Teen Librarian Kendall McCurley said. “There was no real space for them to hangout and be teens after school...so we created this space specifically for teens.”

The teen space at the Fleming Island branch is located to the right of the main library section as is the space for teens at the Orange Park location. Anyone is free to peruse through the area but after a certain time, it’s teenagers only. You’d likely find dozens of teenagers engaged in John Green’s newest book or playing Mario Kart



STAFF PHOTO BY WESLEY LEBLANC

Libraries at Orange Park and Fleming Island now have teen-specific areas, complete with video games, games and materials selected for their younger interests.

8 Deluxe on the Nintendo Switch or checking out a new graphic novel from DC Comics.

“There’s all kinds of stuff here and it’s all catered to them,” McCurley said.

The inclusion of a video game section might seem out of place for what is traditionally a place for reading books in the quiet but that’s not what the teen space is about – it’s about letting teens be them-

selves.

McCurley said the video game section has been especially successful because it brings strangers together. A teen might jump into a race in Mario Kart with another person their age that they’ve never met and after a quick bout on the Switch, a new friendship is made.

Because of the Fleming Island branch’s proximity to Fleming Island High, which is

just a quick drive or short walk away, the teen space doubles as a great and safe place for teenagers to gather before after school activities. Instead of waiting for an hour after school in the parking lot for soccer practice to start, students can head to the teen space to check out a new book or get a jump start on their homework.

If a student is struggling with their homework, McCurley said that often, there is a tutor in the teen space willing to help. These tutors aren’t placed by the library system but often, they’re there waiting to meet with a student. McCurley has seen students in need of chemistry help approach the tutor for help.

“They’ve always been happy to help,” McCurley said.

The teen space is also home to special programming aimed at teenagers like the Anime Club, Teen Advisory Group and Book-Flix, which sees teenagers read books with movie adaptations. Much like the space itself, everything that can be done within is catered to teenagers and often decided on by the teenagers themselves. “It’s for them at the end of the day, so we just want this space to be theirs,” McCurley said.

Davis relying on Clay school’s statewide improvements for re-election

By Wesley LeBlanc
Staff Writer

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Former superintendent Charlie Van Zant Jr. recently announced his 2020 bid as the first, and only person, to challenge current superintendent Addison Davis in next year’s election, but Davis said this competition will only push him to continue to elevate the school experience for students.

Davis won the 2017 election with 57% of the vote during the Republican Primary. Van Zant got 43%. Davis hopes to replicate those results in next year’s election so that he can continue to push the Clay County School District closer to number one in the state.

“I am committed to this work, have a proven track record for moving our school district forward and believe that Clay County district schools can truly become the gold standard in the state of Florida that even rivals St. Johns County (the current number one district in the state),” Davis said.

Under Davis’ leadership, the district has risen from 20th to eighth in state rankings, expanded the choice and accelerated options in schools, established the district’s first police department to place school resource officers in every school in accordance with the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School Public Safety Act and more.

“Over the last three years under my leadership, we have made monumental

growth in the area of student performance, climate and culture, safety and security, school choice programs, graduation rate, career and technical education, equity of curriculum offerings, school-based supports, accessibility to technology and fiscal responsibility,” Davis said. “I am extremely proud of what we have accomplished as a school district as we have built a blueprint for helping students reach their potential.”

Davis said that the accomplishments of his tenure come from his leadership and the best instructional and professional support staff members in the nation.

If Davis secures a victory over Van Zant, or any other candidate, he hopes to expand apprenticeships, internships and externships in the district, find proactive strategies to address the \$280 million in maintenance needed within district schools and provide teaching staff with everything they need to so that all can be recognized as “highly effective.”

During his first month as superintendent, Davis said he learned that the district had 42 independent contractors, which he said translates to schools functioning in an isolated manner with limited support from district leadership.

“This meant that not every school received the same curriculum, instructional expectations, instructional support, staffing plans or fiscal resources needed to improve teaching and learning,” Davis said.

This was one of the first things he addressed, he said, citing a lack of unity and cohesiveness within education in Clay

County to advance the district.

Davis said a second term will allow him to continue the district’s move toward best in the state. It would also give him more time to strengthen the infrastructure of district schools ranging from security to Wi-Fi access to playground equipment to athletic fields.

Davis said the district needs a leader who has a vision and ability to energize the community and someone with a proper work ethic and sense of professionalism to create the best educational environment for students. He also said it needs someone who genuinely cares about improving the intellectual well-being of all learners.

“Openly, I am the only candidate that possesses these characteristics and I look forward to the opportunity to lead this great school district (once more),” Davis said.

“Regardless of who decides to join the superintendent race in 2020, my hope is

that our community will once again elect a proven educator that will provide opportunities to our students to discover endless possibilities. I stand prepared to lead this organization toward becoming the number one school district in the state of Florida.”

Davis was born and reared in Northeast Florida and obtained a master’s degree in Educational Leadership from Jacksonville University. He served as the Chief of Schools for the Duval County Public School system, which is the nation’s 20th largest school district. He worked for Duval County schools for 18 years where he began as a teacher before moving to the role of assistant principal, Executive Director of turnaround, Middle School Cluster Chief and Region Superintendent. He has lived in Clay County for 14 years with his wife, Natalie, and their two daughters, Madisyn and Kaitlyn. They reside in the Oakleaf Plantation area.

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The Soaring Eagles have contributed to the local Angel Tree program for years. The group of (front row, from left) Judie Werner, Inger Hughes, Heidi Smith, Lynn Painter and (back, from left) Dave Painter and Phil Smith dropped off new bikes at The Salvation Army's warehouse.



PHOTOS BY CHRISTINA SWANSON

Jorge Rodriguez, left, a social service and food pantry manager and Salvation Army volunteer bell ringer at the Walmart in Fleming Island, thanks a shopper for their donation.

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locations. With the advent this year of digital donations through Apple Pay and Google Pay making it even easier to give, SACC staff are hoping for an uptick in funds received.

To donate digitally at the red kettle locations, shoppers simply swipe a customer donation poster containing a smart chip and QR codes. Donations will go to the local Salvation Army unit based on the giver's billing ZIP code and will receive an electronic receipt for their records.

In Clay County, you can find volunteer-manned red kettles and corresponding digital posters at 28 doors including all area Walmarts, Publix, Winn-Dixie and at the Orange Park Mall and Sam's Club. You can also give on-line at Give.SalvationArmyUSA.org or via your phone by texting "KETTLE" to 91999.

If you'd like to also give your time, as well, as a bell-ringer, that's easy and always needed. Although various local groups volunteer to man the kettles every year, such as students from Ridgeview High School's ROTC, the Clay County unit could still use more. Sign-up to ring that

bell at registertoring.com.

Right now, your contributions to the Red Kettle Campaign also aids in the purchase of gifts for the Angel Tree program. In Clay County, this program not only provides new toys and clothing to homeless and underprivileged children age 12 and under whose families have signed-up, but also provides food and needed items to qualifying seniors age 60 and older and to selected families of the incarcerated. All of these folks have applied before annual deadlines and have met the criteria of living 30% below the poverty guideline.

"I am always touched at the wonder-

ful generosity of our residents, year after year, being the true angels that make the children's holiday wishes come true," said Jennifer Wheeler, Social Service and Food Pantry Manager, SACC.

This year 400 children are part of the Angel Tree Program, along with special angel trees for qualifying seniors, kids of the incarcerated and any forgotten angels, according to Wheeler. Locals can still make a child's holiday by taking an angel tag from two "public" trees – either in Orange Park Mall or at Sonny's BBQ on Kingsley Avenue.

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Ridgeview students use a field trip to Asphalt Testing Solutions & Engineering CEMEX and Duval Asphalt to explore possible career paths following graduation.

Ridgeview students explore asphalt company, career options

For Clay Today

JACKSONVILLE – In a bid to attract high school students to careers in construction and engineering, a local asphalt testing company hosted a unique field trip earlier this month by inviting 45 from Ridgeview High. They spent their school day touring Asphalt Testing Solutions & Engineering, CEMEX and Duval Asphalt operations on Jacksonville’s southside.

“Young people don’t even know there’s a job called ‘Performance Mix Design Technician,’” explained Rhonda Hale, ATS Lab Manager, “so we have to be creative in recruiting and hiring.”

“If that means bringing a bus load of 16- and 17-year-olds to tour our lab, we’ll do it,” Hale said, noting her strategy is forward-looking and long-term.

Ridgeview High College and Career Coach Tamara Mansel-Tucker was impressed. The tour highlighted many attractive career options that don’t require a traditional four-year college degree. Mansel-Tucker said, “The visit helped our students understand that through education and hard work, opportunities for career success are available to them. The presentation was very impactful for the next

generation of craft professionals.”

During the tour the three companies highlighted day to day operations at their facilities and shared career opportunities at each location.

ATS hatched the field trip plan after Materials Engineer Tanya Nash met Clay County Career and Technical Education teachers at a Workforce Development event hosted by Associated Builders and Contractors last summer.

“This kind of collaboration among schools and employers is exactly how we can open students’ eyes to career opportunities that may not otherwise be on their radars,” remarked ABC President/CEO Karin Hoffman.

“The asphalt industry is a specialty field just like many others out there,” said ATS Lab Manager Hale.

“If we don’t expose our young people to the industry and impress upon them the need for qualified workers in the field, we will never expand the workforce needed to keep the industry going and growing.

“We need to help them understand that a quality vocational education or trade is just as good as a college degree. It’s not a ‘one size fits all’ world. We need different vocations to fill different needs.”

Clay County 4-H hosts robotics workshop at UF/IFAS Extension Office

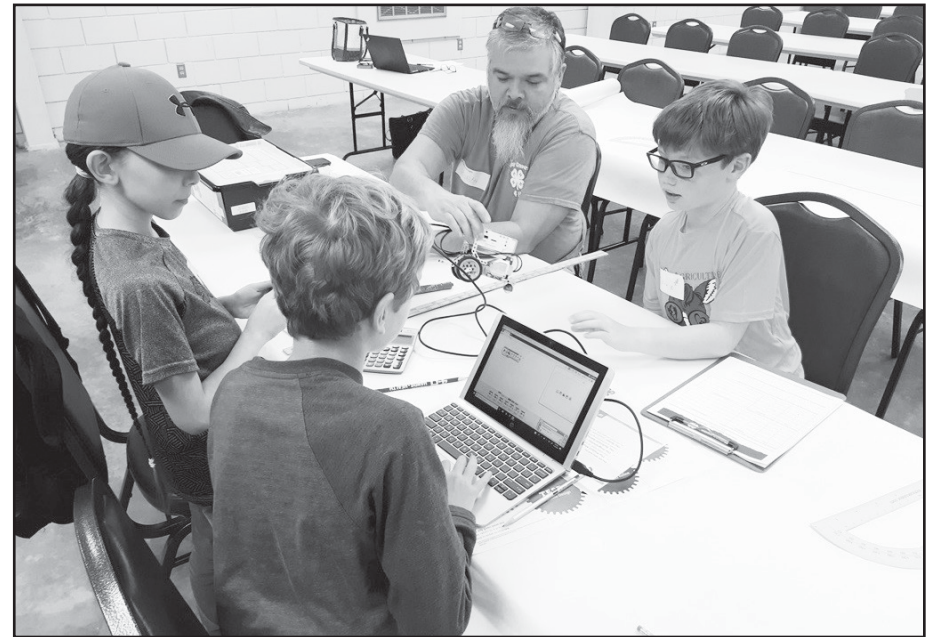
For Clay Today

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Clay County 4-H recently held a Robotics Workshop at the Clay County University of Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences Extension Services Office in the T. Jesse Godbold Education Center. Clay County 4-H holds regular robotics workshops

that are open to 4-H members, ages 8-14 years old, who are interested in learning about robotics, as well as any adults who want to share their knowledge of engineering as a mentor.

Youth that participated in the

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Students with 4-H got hands-on experience with robotics at their workshop at UF/IFAS.



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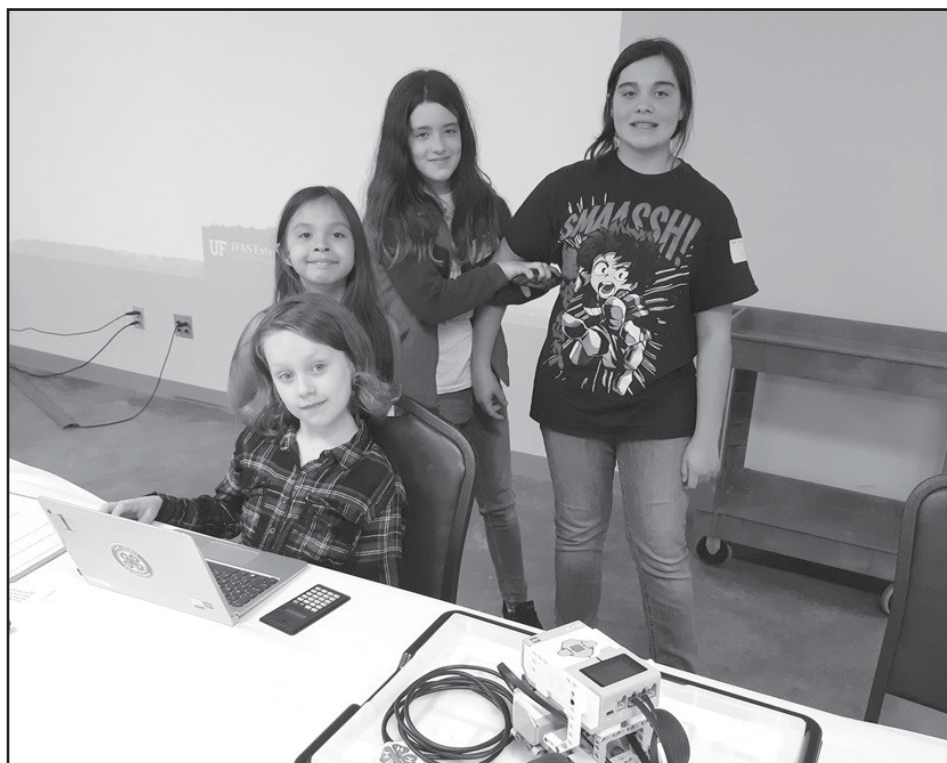
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As one of the state's STEM program leaders, the robotics workshop allowed aspiring students an opportunity to turn their ideas into reality.

Robotics

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November workshop learned the basics of LEGO Mindstorms EV3 Robotics by developing a program to navigate a LEGO robot through a wooden maze. Students were divided into teams that included a programmer, program manager, technical advisor and tester. Each team had a LEGO robot and a tablet with basic program commands that move the robot forward, backward, and rotate it at a desired distance and degree.

The students started by programming the robots to go forward two full wheel rotations and measured the distance traveled. Next, they used protractors to determine at what degree the turns should be in order to maneuver the corners. The measurements collected helped to develop a program that allowed the robot to successfully navigate the wooden maze with ease. Participants were challenged but thoroughly enjoyed the experience.

Clay County Extension and 4-H Youth Development Agent Matthew Olson said: "4-H is so much more than cows and corn, while its origin is rooted in agriculture, 4-H has grown to become the largest after school youth development program in the nation."

National Computer Science Education Week is Dec. 9-15. Northeast Florida has been recognized as a global leader in advanced STEM education due to the collaborative efforts made by the

Clay County School District and programs like STEM2 Hub and 4-H, that through their ongoing instruction in computer science, robotics, and other forward-facing technologies, are a model for the entire nation.

"This is a great time to highlight the sci-

ence, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) resources and programs that 4-H offers to Clay County Youth," Olson said.

Clay County 4-H has a Technology Lab created with a grant from the Clay Electric Cooperative's Operation Round Up.

The lab is fully equipped with laptop computers, 3D printers, and several robots available to engage 4-H members. 4-H also offers a variety of STEM-themed day and week-long camps to try including: forensics, Tinkering with Rockets, blacksmithing, Marine Camp, and Gator Adventures, among others.

Robotics, computer coding and 3D printing workshops are scheduled in the coming year. Learn more on the UF/IFAS Extension Clay County 4-H Facebook Page.

Clay County Commissioner, recently elected Chairman of the Board, Gayward Hendry serves on the Clay County 4-H Foundation Board. The Clay County 4-H Foundation Board provided scholarships to 23 youths last year allowing them to attend a variety of 4-H educational camps at no charge.

"I am proud to support 4-H because it is an outstanding organization that offers innovative programs like the Robotics Workshop, that give our Clay County youth an opportunity to learn important career skills that give them a competitive edge for their future," he said.

4-H has been providing hands-on learning experiences in areas like health, science, agriculture and citizenship to youth for more than a century. If you would like to learn more about Clay County 4-H or make a donation to help young people develop the skills needed to be the next generation of Clay County leaders, please visit <http://florida4h.org/> or contact the Olson at Clay County 4-H at (904) 284-6355.

Clay residents win scholarships, competition awards at Greater Jacksonville Agriculture Fair

For Clay Today

JACKSONVILLE – Three local students earned \$1,000 each in scholarships at the Greater Jacksonville Agriculture Fair last month.

Keystone Heights' Lauren Hix, Middleburg's Emily Stewart and Oakleaf's Morgan Cole all were awarded for demonstrating interest in careers in agriculture, biology, ecology and veterinary sciences.

Hix won the Greater Jacksonville Agriculture Fair Scholarship. She will earn her Associates of Arts degree before graduating from high school. She has participated in numerous FFA activities for several years. She plans to attend the University of South Florida and major in Psychology eventually becoming a Neuro-psychologist and Therapist.

Stewart won the Frank and Olive Inman Scholarship. She has been active in 4-H since the age of 5 and is involved with the Clay County Junior Cattleman's Association and FFA. She has exhibited at the Clay County Fair, and Emily's career aspirations are to become a large animal veterinarian.

Cole also won the Greater Jacksonville Agriculture Fair Scholarship. She plans to further her education at the University of Florida with a major in Agriculture Education and Communication. Morgan has competed in local fairs and has been a member of FFA for six years.

Scholarship Winners are chosen after competing in a series of short, fun relay games. Participating teams compete for scholarships that will be presented to their alma mater in the name of their booster club, the Fair and participating Fair sponsors.

In the past 64 years the Greater Jacksonville Agricultural Fair Association



has contributed more than \$2.6 million to in scholarships to individuals and local charities. The funds are designated to support students who have exhibited a desire to further their education.

The Fair Association's purpose is to encourage personal growth and assistance to qualified students planning to major in agriculture, veterinary medicine and other fields of study.

Eligible students must reside in Duval, Baker, Bradford, Clay, Nassau or St. Johns County and be a high school senior enrolled or planning to enroll in a four-year university or college, a junior college or a technical institution.

The Greater Jacksonville Agricultural Fair is the largest fair/festival in northeast Florida and is currently ranked 47th in the United States by Amusement Business. The fair has an estimated economic impact on Duval and surrounding counties in excess of \$10 million.

Also, three teams and two riders from Clay County received ribbons in the livestock competition.

Ag Ventures 4-H Club of Green Cove Springs, Lake Asbury Junior High FFA and Middleburg FFA finished first, second and third, respectively, in the Youth Beef Herdsman category, while Gracyn Blakney of Middleburg won the Youth Horse's High Point Junior Speed competition and Orange Park's Taylor Silkert won in High Point Senior English.

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Bells

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Other angel trees are company sponsored by local businesses whose employees have contributed to the program for years and are to be commended for their generosity. These sponsors include: Orange Park Medical Center, Parallon Business Solutions, KBR, the Clay County District of Public Safety, the Moose Haven Lodge, the Soaring Eagles, Santioni's Italian Restaurant in Fleming Island, Orange Park Presbyterian Church, Lake Asbury Baptist Church, Kirkwood Presbyterian Church, Fleming Island United Methodist Church, Penney Retirement Community, the Shakuntala family, the Orange Park National Honor Society and the Clay County School District.

Registration to have a child included in the Angel Tree program takes place each September, so families should make plans to apply at that time next year. A few exceptions can be made in emergency situations, according to Wheeler. This year, Angel Tree gifts are due this week at the SACC warehouse on 2795 County Road 220 in Middleburg.

"The importance of the community's support is vital to the success of the Angel Tree as well as all the ways we help the local underserved," explained Major Phillip Irish, Salvation Army of Clay County Corps Officer. At the heart of the Salvation Army is service which is why kettle donations given now are so vital in providing year-long help to those struggling to overcome – whether with unemployment, unstable housing, or lack of education or basic skills, the Salvation Army starts families down the path toward increased stability and self-sufficiency.

"The need does not go away, your donations are appreciated and they not only sup-



Teens (from left) Ahmad Pace, Merrick Irish, Anna-Rose Hershey, Jaques Mells, (Kim Lewis, Youth Outreach Director), Dallas Seals, Abrianna Varnum, Conner Schumacher, Jonah Lewis and Kenneth Fanuke take a break from sorting cans and helping the Corps officers move community outreach gifts at the Salvation Army of Clay County's warehouse.

port our Thanksgiving and Christmas programs, but other programs throughout the entire year such as youth programs, food outreach, emergency financial services and emergency disaster services," said Major Irish. "To meet human needs without discrimination."

At the SACC, donations provide qualified Clay County residents food staples through the Food Pantry (open each week on Tuesdays and Thursdays), rent and utility assistance and emergency disaster relief. In 2018, SACC assisted 31,000 families through the food pantry and helped many more suddenly homeless-after-natural-disaster folks throughout Florida providing canteens with warm food, portable showers, spiritual relief, gift cards, and cleaning supplies.

"We like to partner with churches and businesses to serve those in need and one of the biggest areas is teaching job skills to those who are receiving financial aid and food through the pantry," said Wheeler.

There are special programs geared toward seniors 60 and older and teens in the area. The SACC monthly senior outreach brings food and toiletries to homebound and low-income seniors. The Youth

Program focuses on character building and teaching community and life skills to teens from junior to senior high.

The Salvation Army church sponsors youth bible study for the underserved in Clay County that includes dinner and character-building classes on Wednesday nights, and a school of performing arts for youth up to age 18 on Thursdays. Here, students can learn dance, drums, guitar and piano and show off their talents with semester recitals. Every Friday night focuses on life skills including basic cooking, car maintenance and how to keep a budget. These same teens give back to the community by having "play" dates that clean-up trash along 220 and visit assisted-living homes.

Wheeler is excited about continually expanding the SACC programs. "We are working with teachers, behavioral health agencies and local non-profits to discuss future

programs for the current needs that we are seeing," said Wheeler. "Mentoring for at risk grades K-12, budgeting programs for grades 6th-12, prison ministry for recently released, and job shadowing programs to enhance job skills are what we're planning for now."

From Angle Tree to Stuff the Bus to Empty Bowls coming up next April, the SACC takes an active role in many events throughout the year and it's mainly because of volunteers' help. The SACC just wrapped up another successful holiday can food drive with Clay County schools that will stock the pantry.

"From giving out food at the food bank to distributing filled back-packs for Stuff the Bus, nothing would happen without so many wonderful volunteers," said Wheeler. She sites that on the average, volunteers provide 5,433 hours of service with the food bank or other special causes, not including the kettle campaign. The SACC also counts on help from folks with developmental disabilities, including individuals and groups from BASCA, Inc. (Building Abilities of Special Children and Adults), who practice job and social skills while volunteering in the office and food pantry. A win-win for all.

Hopefully, the melodies of the season and ringing of bells will remind all of us to give a little more to the Salvation Army of Clay County this year, realizing all the good they do for our community. And giving to less fortunate folks now helps continue services that any of us could need in the future.

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Orange Park turns lights on for Christmas season

By Wesley LeBlanc
Staff Writer

ORANGE PARK – More than 200 people gathered in the heart of Orange Park at Town Hall Tuesday night to kick off the Christmas season the way they've been doing it for the past 50 years.

Since the 1960s, citizens have gathered in the park to watch children sing Christmas songs, sip on hot chocolate and listen to the mayor read "Twas The Night Before Christmas" to eager children who hope their name is not on the naughty list. This year was no different as Mayor Connie Thomas capped the night off with a read-

ing of Clement Clarke Moore's and Henry Livingston Jr.'s classic story.

She didn't read until children of all ages sang some of the season's best songs in solo and ensemble fashions. It was all smiles in the park for an hour-and-a-half.

The annual lighting event reached the finale when all of the Orange Park Town Council members gathered on stage to count down the lighting of the park. When the clock struck zero, the park lit up with Christmas lights galore.

Children ran around to take it all in while parents did their best to round up their little ones for pictures.



STAFF PHOTOS BY WESLEY LEBLANC

Mayor Connie Thomas, left, reads "Twas the Night Before Christmas" to children at Town Hall, while residents were delighted to see the town turn on its holiday lights before Tuesday night's regular meeting.

"It's one of my favorite traditions," an Orange Park resident said.

As this was Thomas' first year as the town's mayor, she was thrilled to join the echelons of those before her that read the most classic Christmas story.

"It was thrilling and awesome," Thomas said. "To have the community gather and to see the smiles on everyone's face, it means a great deal.

"It's one of the best nights of the year."





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Police Briefs

Navy mechanic arrested for exposing himself to girls at Fleming Island gas station

FLEMING ISLAND – A Green Cove Springs man was released on a \$75,000 bond after Clay County Sheriff's Office deputies with the Crimes Against Children Unit said he was videotaped Nov. 13 masturbating in front of three girls at a Fleming Island gas station.

Tommy Nolan Thrasher, 51, was charged with lewd and lascivious exhibition on Nov. 26 after one of the girls captured the event on her cellphone.

The girls, ages 15, 16 and 17, were pumping gas at the Daily's station at 1531 County Road 220 when they saw a man exposing himself and masturbating while he pumped gas into his red Ford. When questioned at his job at NAS-Jax, Thrasher told police he had pulled a rubber prop from his pants, CCSO said. He changed his mind after detective showed him the video.

"This is beyond concerning," said the mother of one of the victims. "As a mother, I've done everything I can to protect by kids. I moved my children to what was supposed to be a safe place. Now my kids can't even go to a gas station and pump gas without being assaulted."

The mother said her daughter has had nightmares, flashbacks and difficulty sleeping.

"This has been very hard," the mother said.

The affidavit for arrest also stated Thrasher eventually admitted he's been exposing himself for years and to "flashing other unknown victims" approximately 10 times.

One in custody, others sought after man beaten to death in Keystone Heights

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS – One suspect was arrested in South Georgia and Clay County Sheriff's Office deputies are looking for more people they believed participated in the beating death of a Keystone Heights man on Nov. 22.

Kalvin Wayne Roe was arrested in Statenville, Georgia, after deputies tracked his cellphone to home within a block of the Echols County Sheriff's Office. Roe was arrested following a brief chase and charged with aggravated assault and possession of a firearm by a felon. He was at the Lowndes County Jail late Tuesday while Clay County prepares to extradite him.



Kalvin Roe



Tommy Thrasher

Meanwhile police were still trying to figure out who was involved in the brutal attack of Stephen Dalton Perry Jr. The attack happened in Keystone Heights, and Perry's body was found in Putnam County. Neighbors said they believe as many as 10 were involved in the beating – some using baseball bats.

Perry was taken off life support and died on Thanksgiving.

"Kalvin Roe did not act alone and other persons of interest are being sought," the Sheriff's Office said.

Perry was arrested on Sept. 13 after he admitted throwing punches at his brother, Michael Perry, in the parking lot of a Keystone Heights convenience store. He was charged with simple domestic battery and ordered to stay 2,500 feet from his brother.

Charges were amended to simple assault with intent to do violence.

Perry, who told deputies he thought Michael cut his brake lines a few days earlier, pleaded no contest and was found guilty on Sept. 30 and ordered to pay fines totaling \$375.50.

CCSO is encouraging people with information to contact the Sheriff's Office at (904) 264-6512.

Two men caught in drug sting trafficking two kilos of cocaine

ORANGE PARK – Two men were arrested for trying to sell two kilograms of cocaine on Nov. 25 with an estimated street value of \$70,000 to undercover agents.

Christian Joel Serrano Hernandez, 40, of Jacksonville, and Luis Mario Cruz Hernandez, 34, of Orange Park, were booked into the Clay County Jail for drug trafficking.

Agents with the Clay County Sheriff's Office Organized Crime/Narcotics unit, U.S. Postal Inspectors Office, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Customs and Border Protection and the Florida Highway Patrol set up the sting after Mario Hernandez was stopped by FHP for running a red light and not wearing his seatbelt at Debarry Avenue and Patricia Lane. Once stopped, FHP said Mario Hernandez appeared so nervous he couldn't answer simple questions.

CCSO K9 Conan alerted deputies of the presence of cocaine inside the car. They found two bricks of the drug in a U.S.P.S. package.

Agents then set up the drug by with Christian Joel Serrano Hernandez in the parking lot of a fast food restaurant near the Orange Park Mall.

"These illegal narcotics were intended



Christian Hernandez



Luis Hernandez

to be distributed within Clay and Duval counties," CCSO posted on its Facebook page. "This is another great win for our community and another example of the zero tolerance for this illegal activity within our county. Another out-of-county criminal thought that they could enter our county and conduct this criminal drug transaction and now they are out of options."

CCSO: Man charged with hitting, choking, stabbing his girlfriend

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS – A 41-year-old man remained in the Clay County Jail a week after the Clay County Sheriff's Office said he beat, strangled and stabbed his girlfriend.

John Jerry Thomas, of Keystone Heights, was charged with aggravated battery with a deadly weapon, felony domestic battery by strangulation and domestic battery after deputies said they found a woman standing on the side of the road with bruises on her neck and face, as well as an injury to her leg.

According to the arrest report, the altercation took place on Nov. 23, but the victim said Thomas threatened to have her child taken by authorities if she left their home. She was taking a shower on Nov. 26 when she heard a garage truck at her driveway. She ran to the truck in her robe and asked the driver to call the police. The victim said Thomas smashed her cellphone were smashed during the argument.

Thomas told deputies she was beaten by another man and that some of the injuries may be self-inflicted.

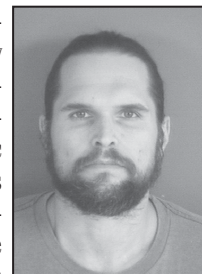
Thomas' bond was set at \$160,008.

Jacksonville man arrested for DUI after June head-on collision

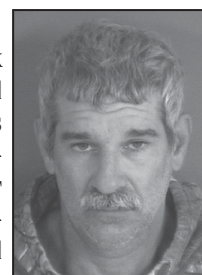
FLEMING ISLAND – A Jacksonville man was arrested for driving under the influence more than five months after crossing the median on U.S. 17 and slamming head-on into another vehicle.

David Frederick Pulliam was charged with DUI with injuries and driving with a suspended license after toxicology results revealed he had a blood alcohol level between .09 and .18 when he veered into the southbound lane of U.S. 17 near Town Center Boulevard on June 12 at 9:25 p.m.

He was arrested in Nassau County on June 25 and transported back to Clay to face charges.



John Thomas



David Pulliam

Larry and Connie Tode, of Green Cove Springs, were rushed to the Intensive Care Unit at Orange Park Medical Center. Larry Tode suffered two brain injuries and is paralyzed on one side of his body, while she was scheduled for another surgery on Wednesday.

"We're very frustrated with it," Connie Tode said of the lengthy investigation. "My husband will never walk again. All he will ever be is in a bed."

Pulliam's bond was set at \$26,505.

Although all southbound lanes of U.S. 17 were closed during the investigation, another man, Oda Charles Carter, 44, of Orange Park, was clocked at 107 mph as he sped through a roadblock, nearly striking FHP troopers and deputies with the Clay County Sheriff's Office. He eventually was charged with attempting to flee from police, DUI, possession of marijuana and refusing to submit to a DUI test.

Contractor wanted for questioning for missing Clay woman now in jail

JACKSONVILLE – Corey Louis Binderim, 44, a person of interest in the disappearance of a Fleming Island woman, was arrested on an outstanding forgery charge in Jacksonville.

Clay County Sheriff's Office deputies want to talk to Binderim about Susan Mauldin, 65, who went missing from her Eagle Harbor home on Oct. 24 shortly after she demanded her money back after Binderim failed to remodel her bathroom.

Binderim is being held on \$50,000 bond. Clay County hasn't filed any charges against him.

Motorcyclist killed in Blanding Boulevard crash

MIDDLEBURG – An Orange Park motorcyclist was killed Nov. 26 when he collided with a car as it was turning left onto Blanding Boulevard.

Jerome Soto Douglas, 51, died at Orange Park Medical Center after the accident.

According to the Florida Highway Patrol, a Honda Civic driven by Geovane Lopez, 35, of Middleburg was westbound on Knight Boxx Road while Douglas was riding eastbound. Both had a green light at the intersection of Blanding, but Lopez didn't have a green turn arrow, FHP said, when she turned left in front of the motorcycle.

Douglas wasn't wearing a helmet, FHP reported.



Corey Binderim

Arrests and Bookings

(Name, age, location of arrest, charges). Key: FTA-Failure to Appear; DWLSR-Driving Without a License-Suspended or Revoked; DUI-Driving Under the Influence; VOP-Violation of Parole. There are no assumptions or representations about guilt or innocence. Everyone arrested or booked is presumed innocent.

Tuesday, Dec. 3

Donnie L. Hill, 22, Middleburg, VOP-burglary (Bradford), VOP-grand theft (Bradford)
Bernardo L.G. Bejar Aguiar, 56, Orange Park, DUI
Carlton L. Love, 52, Orange Park, DWLSR
Robert L. Switter, 19, Orange park, two counts burglary, criminal mischief
Zachary R. Williamson, 30, Orange Park, trespassing
William F. Padgett, 29, Green Cove Springs, FTA-DWLSR, FTA-no vehicle registration
Gladys E. Ruiz, 37, Green Cove Springs, FTA-DWLSR
Willie C. Holt, 38, Orange Park, trafficking in heroin, using two-way communication device to conceal felony
Joseph A. Taylor, 28, Green Cove Springs, FTA-DWLSR
James H. Peterson, 39, Middleburg, roadway solicitation for money
Teresa L. Rigby, 32, Middleburg, grand theft auto
Toby A. Cannady, 37, Keystone Heights, destruction of evidence, possession-methamphetamine, possession-controlled substance without prescription, possession/use drug paraphernalia
Jason S. Hill, 36, Middleburg, violation of injunction making threat of words/act of violence
Curtis H. Conrad, 42, Orange Park, Orange Park, possession-methamphetamine, possession/use drug paraphernalia
Erica T. Mosley, 37, Green Cove Springs, DUI
Anna M. Dame, 43, Orange Park, possession-methamphetamine, possession/use drug paraphernalia
Kenneth B. Pope, 42, Orange Park, contempt of court/child support
Shannon M. Stansberry, 20, Orange Park,

Police

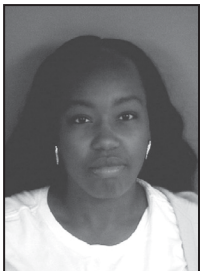
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Orange Park Mall security nabs two Jacksonville shoplifters

ORANGE PARK – Two Jacksonville women were arrested after they were caught concealing J.C. Penney with \$1,055 worth of clothing without paying.

Octavia Lynette Young, 28, and Kiya Laton Swan, 26, were each charged with grand theft.

According to the Clay County Sheriff's Office, a loss prevention officer at the Orange Park Mall noticed both women stuffing clothes into white bags.



Kiya Swan

simple battery

Monday, Dec. 2

Ahmed I. Fofanah, 51, Middleburg, out of county warrant
Douglas E. Hall, 21, Middleburg, possession-marijuana less than 20g, trespassing
William M.L. Schell, 20, Middleburg, trespassing
Douglas E. Hall, 21, Middleburg, trespassing
Shannon A. Svitek, 38, Green Cove Springs, non-support
Robert D. Thornton, 34, Green Cove Springs, VOP-domestic battery
Kristen N. Hollifield, 35, Green Cove Springs, VOP-domestic battery
Derrek W. Perkins, 40, Green Cove Springs, battery on person 65 or older, simple battery
Julian J. Carter, 24, Green Cove Springs, VOP-theft of firearm
Cainan J. Thomas, 20, Green Cove Springs, violation of injunction against domestic violence
William F. Padgett, Orange Park, FTA-trespassing (Baker), FTA-loitering/prowling (Baker)
Kimberly N. Parker, 28, Orange Park, possession/use drug paraphernalia, DWLSR
Michelle L. Swafford, 35, Middleburg, retail petit theft
John J. Seifried, 58, Keystone Heights, aggravated battery against police officer/firefighter/paramedic, resist/obstruct/oppose police officer, burglary

Sunday, Dec. 1

Clayton J. Campbell, 46, Middleburg, DUI
John J. Griffin, 34, Middleburg, DUI
Brett C. Wilken, 36, Orange Park, DUI with property damage
Keith M. Smith, 28, Keystone Heights, interference with custody, providing false information about missing person/felony
Jeffrey T. Gainer, 45, Orange Park, DWLSR
Tyreem L. Phelps, 32, Orange Park, DWLSR
Christian M. Tillmon, 19, Orange Park, trespassing
Matthew C. Teuton, 35, Green Cove Springs, writ of attachment
Brooke E. Lee, 22, Orange Park, vandalism
Justin M. Buchler, 35, Keystone Heights, out of county warrant
Jacob D. Schaffner, 38, Middleburg, FTA

Saturday, Nov. 30

Edward R. Holestin, 47, Green Cove Springs, child abuse
Leonard J. Young, 54, Keystone Heights, VOP-community control
Brandon D. Justice, 25, Fleming Island, retail petit theft
Toni C. Fields, 43, Orange Park, possession-controlled substance without prescription, DUI, DWLSR
Gregory T. Lee, 29, Orange Park, resist/obstruct/oppose police officer, attempting to flee/elude police with lights/siren active, DWLSR
Christian B. Dunn, 25, Fleming Island, retail petit theft

Friday, Nov. 29

Heather D. Heiser, 39, Middleburg, simple domestic battery
Joshua D. Barfoot, 30, Orange Park, petit theft

Kiya L. Swan, 26, Orange Park, grand theft
Octavia L. Young, 28, Orange Park, grand theft
Kristine A. Cooke, 53, Fleming Island, out of county warrant

Thursday, Nov. 28

Ned D. Wolfe, 26, Orange Park, possession-methamphetamine, DUI
Destiny M. Lockwood, 22, Orange Park, possession-marijuana less than 20g
Nicole A. McAllister, 24, Orange Park, DUI
Zeb J. Bailey, Orange Park, VOP-community control
Christopher R. Booth, 37, Middleburg, felony battery, domestic battery by strangulation
Raquanna A. Brown, 23, Green Cove Springs, driving without valid license
Ronald P. Haase, 53, Orange Park, simple battery
Christopher W. Woods, 29, VOP-driving without valid license
Thomas D. Strickland, 27, Orange Park, trespassing

Wednesday, Nov. 27

Ja'vion T. James, 18, Green Cove Springs, trespassing
Chris S. Miles, 41, Orange Park, petit theft
Roquandra S. Braswell, 35, Green Cove Springs, FTA-giving false name to police, FTA-DWLSR
William T. White, 51, Green Cove Springs, fugitive from justice
Brandy L. Peters, 39, Orange Park, petit theft
John M. Kropfield, 37, Middleburg, petit theft
Charlie T. Dowling, 41, Fleming Island, DUI
Wesley M. Sibira-Good, 26, Orange Park, driving with fake license, resist/obstruct/oppose police
Ellis L. Hatcher, 23, Middleburg, possession-marijuana more than 20g, possession/use drug

paraphernalia, DWLSR
Raquanna A. Brown, 23, Orange Park, DWLSR
Amanda C. Odonnel, 38, Middleburg, DUI with BAL of .15 or higher with passenger younger than 18, DWLSR

Tuesday, Nov. 26

Jerri F. Mullins, 53, Orange Park, stalking, trespassing
Tracy L. Reese, 55, Orange Park, petit theft, fraudulent use of credit card
John J. Thomas, 41, Keystone Heights, aggravated battery with deadly weapon, felony battery, domestic battery by strangulation, domestic battery
David F. Pulliam, 49, Fleming Island, DUI with bodily injury to another, DWLSR
William T. White, 51, Orange Park, FTA-DWLSR
Colin J. Kenney, 30, Green Cove Springs, FTA-domestic battery, criminal mischief, violation of protection for domestic battery
Tracy D.L. Young, 28, Orange Park, battery on a police officer/firefighter/EMT, resist/obstruct/oppose police office, possession-marijuana less than 20g
Kristopher A.L. Fabbro, 35, Orange Park, unlawful sex with certain minor
Tommy N. Thrasher, 51, Green Cove Springs, lewd/lascivious behavior of victim younger than 18
Arthur L. Desue, 33, Orange Park, unlicensed concealed weapon, possession-cocaine with intent to sell, possession-drug paraphernalia
Sabria M. Littles, 20, Orange Park, trespassing
Christina M.L. Howard, 40, Middleburg, domestic battery
Candace K. Murphy, 20, Orange Park, FTA-possession-methamphetamine
Joseph A. Taylor, 28, Middleburg, VOP-simple battery

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Burbaugh leaves UF/IFAS Clay Extension for Volusia County

Annie Shelton to serve as interim director

By Don Coble
Managing Editor

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – In the short 4½ years as the UF/IFAS Clay County Extension Director, Brad Burbaugh did more than figure crop reports and plant beans.

He was an integral part of the preparation and recovery from hurricanes Matthew and Irma.

He helped with the overhaul of the Clay County Fairgrounds, worked to provide useful information on nutrition and safety, set up summer camps and classes for children and provided information to help farmers and residents lead healthier, more productive lives.

“You have to have the passion to help people,” Burbaugh said a day after leaving Clay County for the same post in Volusia. “That’s what we do. We insure the (agriculture) industry strives. We create new leaders through 4-H. We promote nutrition and wellness by working with our farmers to use less fertilizers and insecticides.”

Burbaugh was recognized by the Board of County Commissioners at last week’s Farm-City Week Luncheon at the fairgrounds. The annual luncheon has swelled into such a success, it had to be moved



Outgoing Clay County Extension Director Brad Burbaugh holds a plaque presented by commissioners Diane Hutchings, Gavin Rollins, Wayne Bolla, Mike Cella, county manager Howard Wanamaker and commissioner Gayward Hendry.

STAFF PHOTO BY DON COBLE

from the extension office to one of the exhibition halls – a facility made possible by Burbaugh’s connections with the University of Florida to use school resources for much of the architecture and construction to save the county thousands of dollars.

Burbaugh grew up in New Smyrna Beach, and his family still lives in Volusia County.

“Clay County has a special place in my heart,” Burbaugh told more than 300 people at the luncheon, “but my family has a bigger place in my heart. It’s time for me to go home.”

Annie Shelton, the family and consumer sciences director, has been appointed as the interim director.

“Our greatest challenge is to protect

the community with data-driven decisions,” Burbaugh said.

The mission of the extension office is to offer solutions with science-based facts. The office answers questions on a variety of issues, from how often to water plants to protecting livestock during a hurricane.

“We solve problems,” Burbaugh said.

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Clay County, Orange Park to share \$8.1 million in Irma buyout funds

By Wesley LeBlanc
Staff Writer

CLAY COUNTY – The county and Orange Park are set to receive money from the state's new budget after Gov. Ron DeSantis awarded \$44 million to Irma-impacted communities for voluntary home buyouts.

Gov. DeSantis announced Tuesday more than \$44 million in Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery funding was awarded to 11 Florida communities impacted by 2017's Hurricane Irma. This money comes through the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity Rebuild Florida Voluntary Home Buyout Program which sees local governments paying residents to forfeit their homes prone to damage.

"The recovery of Florida communities has been a priority since my first day in office," Gov. DeSantis said. "This funding will

help homeowners who suffered damage from Hurricane Irma recover while ensuring the communities they live in are more resilient to future disasters."

The program, which ran its course a few months ago, asked homeowners in areas prone to extensive hurricane damage to allow their home to be purchased to reduce hurricane damage by restoring the properties to lands of perpetual conservation.

The volunteer period occurred has expired, so it's likely too late for anyone now to take part in the program.

Unincorporated Clay County will receive \$5 million and Orange Park will get approximately \$3.1 million. The funds will be used to allow these two governments to buy out the homes volunteered earlier this year.

All homes purchased will be purchased at a pre-Irma listing price so damage as a



result of Irma will not be factored in to the purchase price.

Orange Park Town Manager Sarah Campbell said more than 20 applications from town residents were received and that ultimately, the town was able to submit 18 applications in on behalf of property owners.

"These owners experienced damage or flooding as a result of Irma and lie in the FEMA flood zone," Campbell said. "In addition, more than 50% of the owners are low

to moderate income households."

The 18 properties are in four areas of the town: Ash Street, Dogwood Lane, Dolphin Court and Winfred Drive.

Campbell said representatives of FDEO conducted a site visit to Orange Park in October and anticipates sending Orange Park a formal agreement in late March of next year which is when Campbell expects the funding to arrive.

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the context of this situation, if a federal law forcing citizens to turn in certain weapons was passed, the local law enforcement can't be forced to enforce that law. They could, however, choose to follow, but the important thing based on *Printz v. United States* is that choice would be up to the local enforcement – not federal enforcement.

Rollins said the case protects local governments from federal encroachment beyond what the Constitution intended.

Not long before the meeting started, Rollins' resolution was updated with new wording. Commissioner Wayne Bolla voted no since he didn't have time to study the new wording. That brought the final vote to 4-1, with Bolla dissenting.

It took nearly three hours to make the vote because supporters on both sides showed up in droves. Supporters of the resolution, like Bill Elrod of the Clay County Friends of the NRA, said the resolution strengthened Clay County's defense of the Second Amendment in a period of time where all kinds of rights in the U.S. are under attack.

"The Second Amendment supports the other nine amendments and if it fails, you can bet the others will fail too," Elrod said. "Without the right to defend your rights, you have no rights."

Those not in favor of the resolution told the BCC that the use of the word sanctuary is divisive and doesn't do anything to protect the Second Amendment.

"This (resolution) is a dangerous threat

to the rule of law and public safety," David Johnson said. "It fails to recognize the gun epidemic and its divisive and diverts BCC attention from focusing on what they should be focusing on."

Almost everyone that spoke said they were in favor of the Second Amendment, but some of the most arduous supporters said the resolution and its use of "sanctuary" were unnecessary.

"This resolution is ridiculous," Cheryl Owens said. "There's no need for it. You already support the Second Amendment by the very fact that you took an oath to support the Constitution. The Constitution already supports the ownership of guns. It's very clear."

Those in favor expressed their desire to send a message to the government that Clay County supports the Second Amendment wholeheartedly. Those not in favor said this resolution was unnecessary and that it would bring attention to the county that it didn't need.

Before the final vote on the resolution, language was changed to drop the use of the word sanctuary and instead serve as a motion to see the BCC reaffirm their commitment to support the Second Amendment.

In other business, the BCC selected a new chair and vice chair. Mike Cella will no longer be the BCC chair, although he was selected to continue his position of chair of the Tourism Development Council, and in his place will be Gayward Hendry. Diane Hutchings was elected as vice chair.

The changes will be reflected in the upcoming BCC meeting on Dec. 10.

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unified voice in the town's decision.

Henley could have taken the seat that night but opted to wait for the first council meeting in January where he'll be formally sworn in by the town.

In other business, the council voted 4-0 to approve an extension of a traffic camera contract with Verra Mobility.

This extension will see the same red-

light cameras in town operate for another three years with the inclusion of seven license plate readers at no added cost to be used at the Orange Park Police Department's discretion.

OPPD Chief Gary Goble said the cameras can be used to search for a number of things such as license plates with warrants attached to them.

If someone driving a vehicle that matches a warrant passes by one of these cameras, it will alert OPPD that a person with a warrant out has passed through the area, making tracking down that person a lot easier, Goble said.



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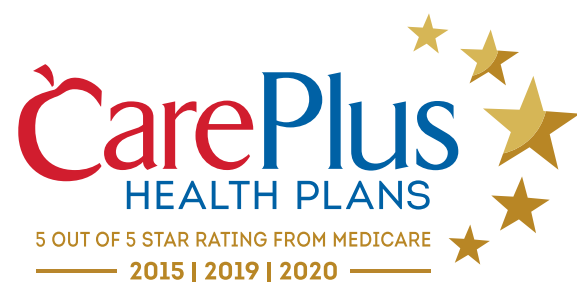
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Judge

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"Germans really love country-western music," he said.

He picked law school over encores, but his love for the guitar morphed into fingerstyle acoustic.

"If you can't sing, you can get by playing a fingerstyle guitar," he said.

Fingerstyle is a technique of playing the guitar by plucking the strings with the fingertips and not using a pick. Some of the classic songs featuring fingerstyle include: "Fire and Rain," "Fast Car," "Dust in the Wind," "Landslide" and Lester's favorite,

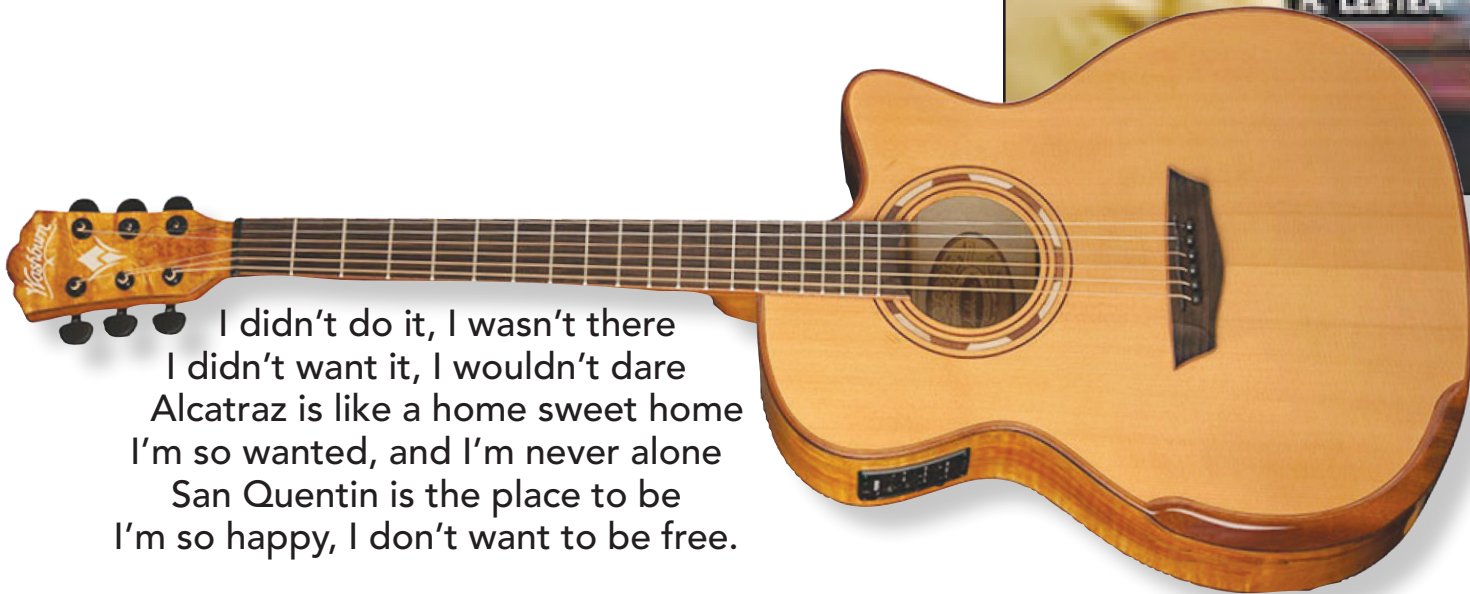
"Banish Misfortune" by Richard Thompson.

One of his guitars was found in a heap of garbage. He was walking his dog one morning and saw a guitar case sticking from a pile of rubbish destined for the dump. He opened the case and found a Washburn guitar. While it's a relatively inexpensive piece, he had it reconditioned to join his collection.

"For as long as I've been playing, I should be better," Lester said with a laugh.

Lester is approaching the end of his term. At 70, he's thinking about playing his guitar more and using his gavel less.

"Being a judge has been highly-rewarding," Lester said. "Who knows, I might come back as a senior judge."



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Calendar of Events

LAKE REGION KIWANIS CLUB MEETING: at 7:30 a.m. on Dec. 5 at Johnny's BBQ, 7411 State Road 21, Keystone Heights.

CLAY COUNTY DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE: will meet Dec. 5 at 10 a.m. at the Zoning Department Conference room, third floor, Administration Building, 477 Houston St., Green Cove Springs.

HENRY FORD'S INNOVATION NATION: is at Thrasher-Horne Center, 283 College Drive, Orange Park, on Dec. 5 at 10:30 a.m. Tickets start at \$19 and are available at THcenter.org or by calling (904) 276-6815, ext. 1.

AMVETS BINGO: is Dec. 5 at Post 86, 6685 Brooklyn Bay Road, Keystone Heights from 7 p.m.-10 p.m.

GARDEN CLUB OF MIDDLEBURG: will meet Dec. 6 at 2239 Blanding Blvd. at 9:30 a.m. to involve, share and engage fellow gardeners. Meetings include educational programs, plant sales, field trips and community involvement. For more information, contact (904) 252-7818.

VIETNAM VETERANS MONTHLY MEETING: is Dec. 7 at the Col. William G. Byrns Chapter at the American Legion Post 250, 3939 County Road 218, Middleburg, at 11 a.m. For more information, contact David Treffinger at (609) 320-1723.

GENEALONY CLASS: is Dec. 11 at 10 a.m. at the Orange Park Senior Center, 414 Stowe Ave., Orange Park. Class is free. For more information, call (904) 803-6312.

CLAY COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT: will meet Dec. 11 at 7 p.m. in the board room of the Board of County Commissioners, fourth floor, 477 Houston St., Green Cove Springs.

LAKE REGION KIWANIS CLUB MEETING: at 7:30 a.m. on Dec. 12 at Johnny's BBQ, 7411 State Road 21, Keystone Heights.

AMVETS BINGO: is Dec. 12 at Post 86, 6685 Brooklyn Bay Road, Keystone Heights from 7 p.m.-10 p.m.

CLAY COUNTY DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE: will meet Dec. 12 at 10 a.m. at the Zoning Department Conference room, third floor, Administration Building, 477 Houston St., Green Cove Springs.

FARMERS AND ARTS MARKET: is Dec. 15 from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Orange Park Town Hall, 2042 Park Ave.

FAIRTAX VOLUNTEERS: meets on Dec. 17 at the Orange Park Library, 2054 Plainfield Ave., at 6:30 p.m. Meeting is open to the public.

MIDDLEBURG STREET SELF-DEFENSE: seminar is Dec. 18 from 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. at Middleburg Martial Arts, 2360 Blanding Blvd.

AMVETS BINGO: is Dec. 10 at Post 86, 6685 Brooklyn Bay Road, Keystone Heights from 1 p.m.-4 p.m.

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AMVETS SONS BURGER NIGHT: is Dec. 18 at Post 86, 6685 Brooklyn Bay Road, Keystone Heights, starting at 6:30 p.m.

LAKE REGION KIWANIS CLUB MEETING: on Dec. 19 at 6:30 p.m. at Clyde's Cozy Corner Cafe, 195 Lawrence Blvd., Keystone Heights.

CLAY COUNTY DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE: will meet Dec. 19 at 10 a.m. at the Zoning Department Conference room, third floor, Administration Building, 477 Houston St., Green Cove Springs.

AMVETS BINGO: is Dec. 19 at Post 86, 6685 Brooklyn Bay Road, Keystone Heights from 7 p.m.-10 p.m.

FRATERNAL ORDER OF EAGLES: will host a flea market Dec. 21 at 8 a.m. at 1932 Long Bay Road in Middleburg. Table space is \$10. Reserve a spot by calling (904) 413-7542 or (904) 449-9716.

LAKE REGION KIWANIS CLUB MEETING: at 7:30 a.m. on Dec. 26 at Johnny's BBQ, 7411 State Road 21, Keystone Heights.

CLAY COUNTY DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE: will meet Dec. 26 at 10 a.m. at the Zoning Department Conference room, third floor, Administration Building, 477 Houston St., Green Cove Springs.

AMVETS BINGO: is Dec. 26 at Post 86, 6685 Brooklyn Bay Road, Keystone Heights from 7 p.m.-10 p.m.

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CLAY SAFETYNET ALLIANCE: will meet Jan. 16 at 8:30 a.m. at Haven-Custead Care Center, 745 Blanding Blvd., Orange Park. Representatives from local government, faith-based groups and nonprofits collaborate to find solutions for important issues affecting Clay County.

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FARMERS AND ARTS MARKET: is Feb. 2 from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Orange Park Town Hall, 2042 Park Ave.

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CLAY SAFETYNET ALLIANCE: will meet Feb. 20 at 8:30 a.m. at Haven-Custead Care Center, 745 Blanding Blvd., Orange Park. Representatives from local government, faith-based groups and nonprofits collaborate to find solutions for important issues affecting Clay County.

LAKE REGION KIWANIS CLUB MEETING: on Feb. 20 at 6:30 p.m. at Clyde's Cozy Corner Cafe, 195 Lawrence Blvd., Keystone Heights.

FARMERS AND ARTS MARKET: is March 1 from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Orange Park Town Hall, 2042 Park Ave.

HEALTH CARE FOR HOMELESS VETERANS: is March 3 at the North Florida Community Action Agency, 1543 Kingsley Ave., Suite 10, Orange Park. Veterans are served on a walk-in basis from 10 a.m.-noon.

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Holiday Happenings

HOMETOWN HOLIDAY: for the Historical Society of Orange Park will be at Clarke Park, 1039 Kingsley Ave., on Dec. 6 from 5 p.m.-7 p.m. The Clarke House will be decorated for the holidays and will be open to the public.

CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT 4 KIDS: is Dec. 7 from 9 a.m.-noon at Camp Chowenwaw, 1517 Ball Road, Green Cove Springs. Hosted by Clay County Parks and Recreation and the Jacksonville Audubon Society, the event celebrates the wonder and beauty of birds in their winter habitat. Suggested ages are 8 and older. Registration is free and required at CHRISTMASBIRDCOUNTFOR KIDS6.eventbrite.com.

LIGHTS AND TAILS HOLIDAY SHOPPING EVENT: is Dec. 7 from 5 p.m.-8 p.m. at Safe Animal Shelter, 2913 County Road 220, Middleburg. Vendors, onsite adoption and Santa pictures will be available.

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CLAY COUNTY TOY RUN: benefiting J.P. Hall Children's Charities is Dec. 8 at noon at First Coast Biker Gear, 1429 S. Orange Ave., Green Cove Springs. Registration is a new, unwrapped gift or \$10 donation for each rider. Ride ends at Whitey's Fish Camp on Fleming Island.

CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING: is Dec. 8 from 5 p.m.-7 p.m. at River Christian Church, 5900 U.S. 17, on Fleming Island. Bring the family for cookies, cocoa and Christmas carols.

WHITEY'S BOAT PARADE: is Dec. 14 at 6:30 p.m. at Whitey's Fish Camp, 2032 County Road 220, Middleburg. Registration is \$30 with benefits going to Safe Animal Shelter. Go to whiteysfishcamp.com for more information.

SANTA PARADES THROUGH ORANGE PARK ON FIRE TRUCK: on Dec. 20, starting at 6:30 p.m. Check the fire department's Facebook page for the route.

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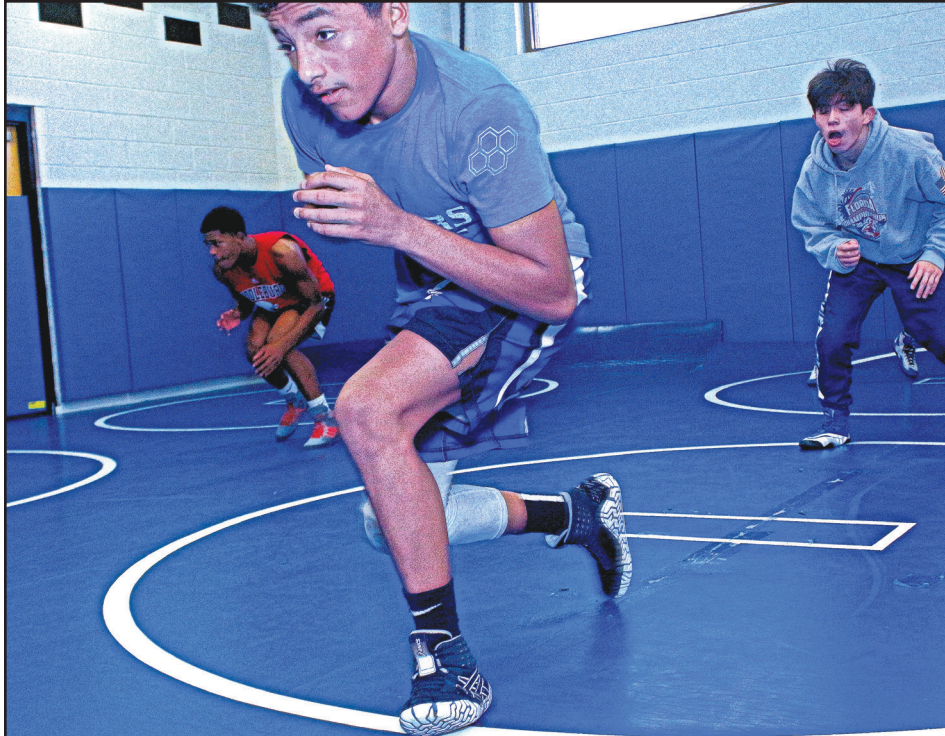
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WRESTLING PREVIEW



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Ridgeview High junior Matthew Rodriguez is top returner in county with runnerup finish in Class 2A last year after finishing regular season unbeaten in 54 matches.

Grapplers gearing up

Rodriguez, Guzman to lead Panthers

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

ORANGE PARK - Ridgeview High junior wrestler Matthew Rodriguez rode an unbeaten record all the way to the state final at 106 pounds in Class 2A last year only to get beat 2-1 in a match of avoidance as champion Kai Owens, just a freshman at Tampa Jesuit, employed a rope-a-dope strategy to stay far from Rodriguez' wrestling strengths.

"The returning varsity guys will definitely be the backbone of the team this year," said Ridgeview High coach Bart Rodriguez, whose son Matt Rodriguez, a junior, returns as a twice state medalist, second last year. "Matt will be focusing on 126 for us. He will be our strong point."

Ridgeview, now in Class 1A in the newly formed district 4-1A with Clay(21st in 1A),



Ridgeview High's Logan Champion drags with his elbows in wrestle workout.

University Christian, Bradford County, Bishop Snyder and Bolles as top contenders, will be seeing new faces in 2019.

SEE WRESTLING, 32

Range fuels Broncos back-to-back victories over region finalists

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

JACKSONVILLE - Middleburg High senior forward Britany Range topped off a strong defensive effort in game one with an explosive offensive effort in game two for the Lady Broncos who took big wins over two region finalist basketball teams at the Insider Exposure Thanksgiving Classic held at Bolles High School.

"No matter who you get on the schedule here, they are going to be good," said Broncos coach Michael Hayward, who now has Middleburg undefeated in his first four games with two regular season games prior to the tournament. "I put us here to challenge us early in seeing good competition to see how the team would react to gel as a team."

Middleburg opened the 2019 season with a 10-point win over Creekside (8A region semifinalist last year) and a 47



STAFF PHOTO BY RANDY LEFKO

Middleburg High senior Britany Range looks for space amongst Lincoln High defenders.

point win over Menendez before the Bolles tournament.

"I don't think I'd call it scorching, but the team chemistry is coming along faster

SEE BRONCOS, 35



Lefko's regatta run

Clay Today Sports Editor Randy Lefko took a ride with Florida Yacht Club waterfront director Jodi Weinbecker for the annual King's Day Regatta, see Lefko's race pictures, page 30.



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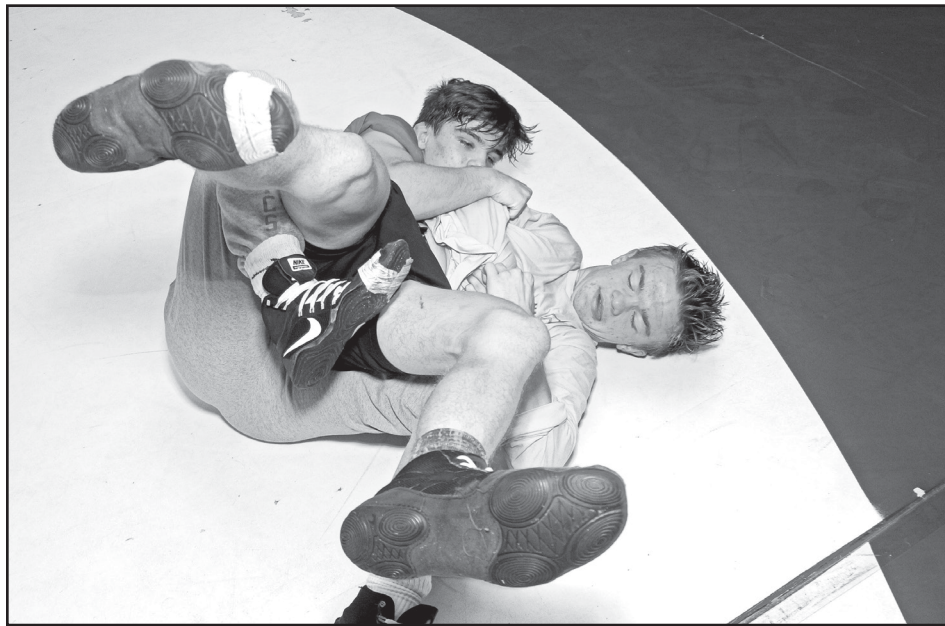
Clay ready to get back on top

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

GREEN COVE SPRINGS - Clay High wrestling coach Jim Reape, standing in on a Wednesday workout for head coach Hunter Hill, quickly answered when asked about Clay High wrestling maybe having some off years.

"We had one off year, last year," said Reape, the architect of a bucket-load of top three state finishes and a even bigger basket of individual state champions in his tenure as the Blue Devil head coach. "We were second three years in a row before that. That's not bad. We'll be strong."

In fact, the Blue Devils lost a step last year with a 21st place finish in 2019 after



STAFF PHOTOS BY RANDY LEFKO

Top Clay High returner Cale Hoskinson, on left, brings a ton of returning battlers back for Blue Devils who finished uncharacteristically out of top five in Class 1A.

seconds to Lake Highland Prep in 2018, 2017 and 2016. Clay was ninth in 2015.

Changes this year will be in the new district and region lineups with powers Wakulla (6th in 1A last year), Suwannee (17th in 1A), Arnold, South Walton and Florida High (8th in 1A) at the region level and Ridgeview, University Christian, Wolfson and Bolles in district 4-1A.

"Wakulla becomes the target this year," said Reape. "Not much has changed except that Wakulla will be team to beat in our region. Florida High is also a top team. There are some 2A teams that have dropped in at 1A."

The top guys returning for Hill; senior Tazz Hampton, region 1-1A champion, fourth at 106; junior Gale Hoskinson, a region champion and state qualifier at 132 and senior Joe Grelli at 220, a state qualifier after a fourth place region finish.

SEE DEVILS, 32



Orange Park High wrestling is chock full of senior returners including, above, Cameron Broughton, on top, and Jacob Moore, who return with eye on deep state run this season.



Orange Park High coach Justin Daniels has re-established the Raiders prowess on the mats and gets a shot at a handful of seniors landing strong seasons this year.

Raider seek redemption for 2018-19 setbacks

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

ORANGE PARK – The Orange Park High wrestling roster, with a handful of near misses last year, will have one of the strongest senior lineups in the area with Cameron Broughton, Arlo Wilson, Vincent Walker, Jacob Campbell and Jacob Moore top returners for Raider coach Justin Daniels.

"We should be stronger," said Orange Park coach Justin Daniels. "Our seniors will be the core."

Orange Park, 16th in Class 2A last year, stays in 2A with Middleburg, but loses Rid-

geview, now in Class 1A. The district 2-2A will now include Chiles, Leon and Lincoln (duals state semifinalist in 2A) from Tallahassee, Columbia, Mosley and Gainesville high schools as one of the strongest overall districts. Both Middleburg and Orange Park were first round exits in last year's district duals state tournament.

Of the underclassmen returning, sophomore Julian Moore is one of the surprises of 2018 with a district title at 195 and a third at regions before winning just one match at state all in his freshman year.

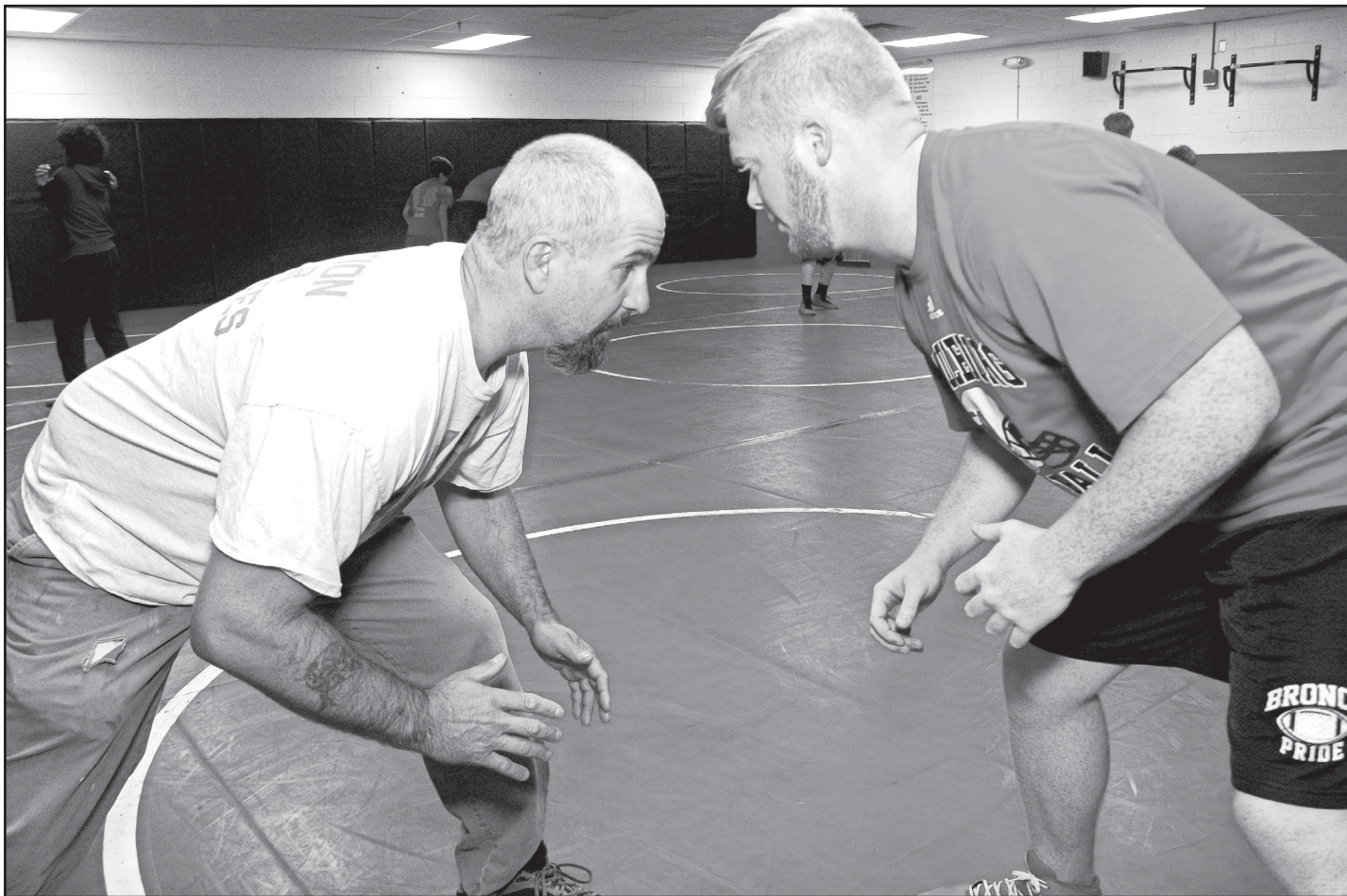
Broughton, Campbell and Moore are all

state meet wrestlers with Campbell, unbeaten for most of 2018 (44-1 at districts), losing a close 8-7 region semifinal match to Matanzas High junior Quenteen Robinson a setback to a strong state meet. Both would meet up for their final matches of the season with Robinson pinning Campbell for a fifth place finish at 170 in Class 2A.

Broughton, at 138, hooked up with Middleburg High's Storm Mercado for the district and region finals and got beat in both. Mercado is now graduated and leaves Broughton as a clear state meet favorite.

At 182, Moore is one of the strongest

in the state, if not the area, with his wrestling skills improving to catch up to his immense power. Moore, second in districts to unbeaten Landon Dains of Terry Parker, now graduated, finished third in region and went to state only to lose again to Dains in the fifth place match. Walker, third in districts at 152 and a quick exit at regions, is primed to use his athleticism to get to state. Also returning are junior Davon Bailey, who lost in the district final to Ridgeview's Gabe Guzman then again in the consolation semifinal to get nudged out of the top four at regions.



Middleburg High wrestling coach Richard Dusenberre sets up to give football athlete Tyler Garcia, right, a go as Broncos return for another year of battling on the mats after strong season last year with three state meet finishers.

Broncos expect another 'scrappy' year

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

MIDDLEBURG — Middleburg High wrestling coach Richard Dusenberre has become a squeezer of lemons trying to make lemonade in his years of putting the best wrestlers he can on mat for the Broncos.

"We get what we get and then we scrap," said Dusenberre. "We get a smaller number of guys than most teams, but most of them come with a little attitude to try and just outwork the other guys. I'll take that."

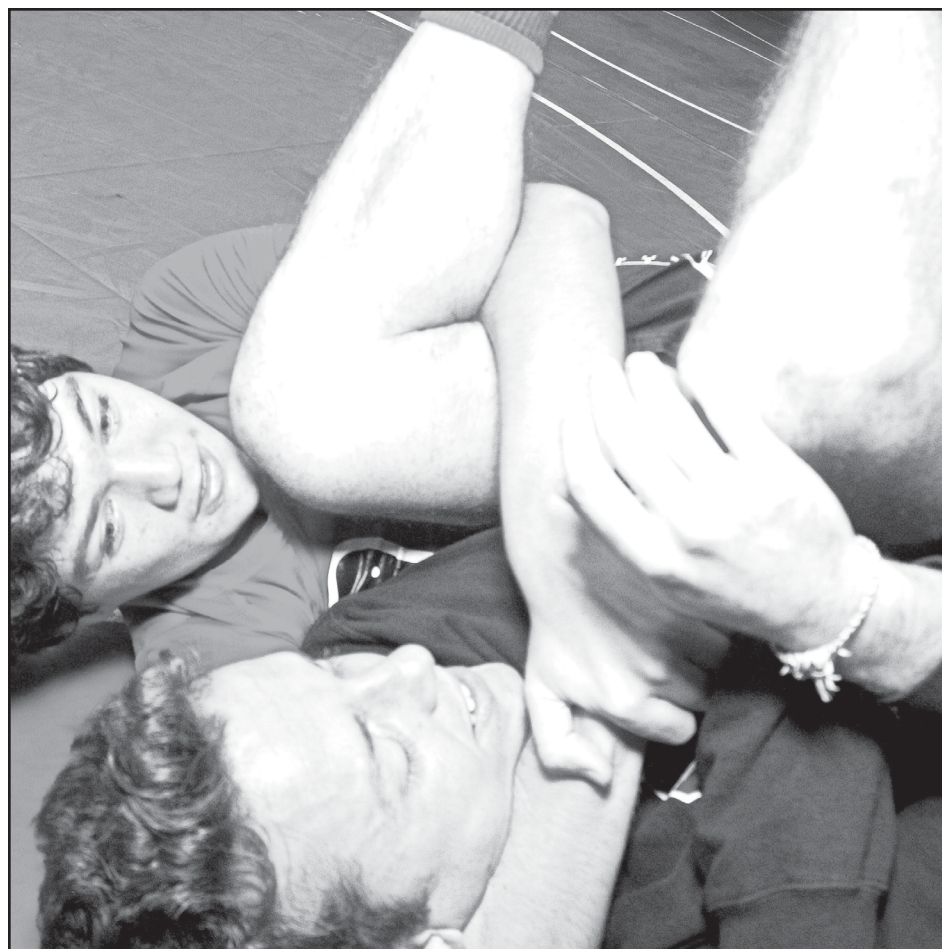
Last year, Dusenberre and assistant coach Dustin Tollison pushed the Broncos, led by 138 pounder Storm Mercado's region title, 145's Chris Burch's district title and fourth at region and 152 Bryce Williams' district title and third at regions, to a 48th place finish in Class 2A with Orange Park and Ridgeview finishing above the Broncos. All three were quick state meet exits and are now graduated.

"If these guys work like those three, we'll be alright," said Dusenberre.

Dusenberre likes sophomore Riley Girgis as a top returner; third at districts last year with an overtime win, but with just one win at regions, as a top candidate to go further in 2019.

"Just a tough kid," said Dusenberre. "He just absorbs what we are saying in the room."

Alex Nayfack, a junior at 160 last year, was team leader last week with Ridgeview High graduate Coll Robertson, rolling with him in the Tuesday practice.



Middleburg High's Alex Nayfack, left, gets some points on assistant coach Coll Robertson, a former Ridgeview High standout, in early workouts for Broncos wrestling.

"If he applies himself, he has good athletic instincts," said Dusenberre.

Two additions from the Bronco football

team were Tyler Garcia, a lineman, and Jay Lane, a running back; both strong athletes with junior high wrestling experience.

Wrestling schedules

Wed., Dec. 4

Raider 8-Way, Wrestling duals at Orange Park High School, 1:30 pm start
Teams: Orange Park, Baldwin, Bartram Trail, Englewood, FSDB, Nease, Pedro Menendez, Terry Parker.

Fri., Dec. 6-7

Panther Prowl, IBT at Ridgeview 4pm Friday, 8am Saturday.
Ridgeview, Bishop Kenny, Bolles, Chiles, Orange Park, Westside, Wewahitchka

Danny Byron Invitational, Osceola hosts, 11 a.m. (weighins)/2:30 p.m. (wrestle) Friday, 9 a.m. (weighins)/10 a.m. (wrestle) Saturday. Local commits: Buchholz, Fleming Island.

Sat., Dec. 7

North Florida Duals, Bishop Snyder hosts, 8 a.m. (weighin)/10 a.m. (wrestle). Teams committed: Atlantic Coast, Clay, Episcopal, First Coast, Keystone Heights, Middleburg, Oakleaf, University Christian, West Nassau

Wed., Dec. 11

Creekside at Clay, 5pm
Bradford at Keystone Heights, 6pm
Orange Park at Oakleaf, 6pm

Fri., Dec. 13

Friday Knight Lights, Oakleaf hosts, 1 p.m. (weighin)/3 p.m. (wrestle). Teams committed: Bartram Trail, Englewood, Nease, Orange Park, Pedro Menendez, West Nassau, Westside, Yulee

Fri., Dec. 13-14

Bulldog Brawl, St Cloud hosts, 4:30 p.m. (Friday), 9 a.m. (Saturday). Local commits: Creekside, Middleburg, Sandalwood

District 16 Duals, South Dade hosts. Local commits: Fleming Island

Sat., Dec. 14

Bobcat Holiday Duals, Buchholz hosts, 8 a.m. (weighins)/9 a.m. (wrestle). Teams committed: Clay, Gainesville, Interlachen, Lake Weir, Middleburg, West Port; Manatee, South Lake, Tenoroc.

Tues., Dec. 17

Orange Park at Clay 530pm

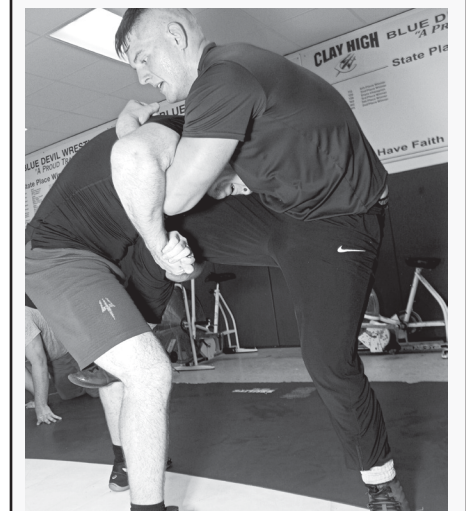
Wed., Dec. 18

St Johns River Conference, Matanzas hosts, 1 p.m. (weighins)/2 p.m. (wrestle). MHS, OPHS, FIHS

Fri., Dec. 20-21

2nd Annual Bell-Raulerson IBT, Sandalwood hosts, 1 p.m. (weighin)/3 p.m. (wrestle) Friday, 8 a.m. (weighin)/10 a.m. (wrestle) Saturday. Teams committed: Atlantic Coast, Flagler Palm Coast, Middleburg, Ponte Vedra.

Allstate Wildcat Invitational, Valdosta GA hosts, 3 p.m. (weighins)/5 p.m. (wrestle) Friday, 7:30 a.m. (weighins)/9:30 a.m. (wrestle) Saturday. Local commits: Bay, Clay, Columbia, Florida High, Lincoln, Ridgeview, South Walton, Westside.



Kings Day Regatta: A little NASCAR on water

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

JACKSONVILLE – On the final day of the three-day Kings Day Regatta, staged Nov. 21-23 from the Florida Yacht Club, Clay Today Sports Editor Randy Lefko got a glimpse of the NASCAR-like racing tactics of sailboat racing on the St. Johns River.

With Florida Yacht Club waterfront director Jodi Weinbecker offering play-by-play commentating while deftly negotiating her outboard-powered media boat, sailboats in two classes; 18-footers, called Lightnings, and 24-footers, called J24s, battled bow-to-bow, stern-to-stern on a one mile course that traveled north toward the Jacksonville skyline, 180 degree



Competitors took on the tight turns of the four mile, two-lap race course set up on the St. Johns River just off the Florida Yacht Club.



Racing in north Florida sometimes requires a bit of bundling up before competition.

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The scenic colors of the Kings Day Regatta bring an energy on the St. Johns River as sailors look for 'best air' position among the two sets of boats; J24s and Lightnings.



One unlucky sailor makes a close fit at the starter's buoy in the J24 races in one of the more precarious start formats in racing.



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Valdosta State linebacker Jackson Bull, right, readies for kickoff while, behind, Amari Dubose, a former Lakeside Junior High and Orange Park High quarterback chants for West Florida.

Valdosta loses at :06

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

VALDOSTA – Valdosta State University football staged an uber-dramatic comeback to try and preserve their attempt at a second straight NCAA Division II title and keep a 25 game win string in tact, but a feisty University of West Florida tight end put that ambition to bed with just six seconds on the clock as West Florida beat Valdosta 38-35 to advance to a region final against Lenior-Rhyne College on Sat., Dec. 7. Lenoir-Rhyne (13-0) beat Carson-Newman (9-3) 49-21 in their round two playoff game. Valdosta finishes 10-1.

Four area players; Ridgeview High

graduates Stanley Dye, a fifth year senior transfer defensive back, and Qhahlin Patterson, a senior running back; Fleming Island High graduate Jackson Bull, a sophomore linebacker, and Westside High grad Amari Dubose, a freshman running back and a player at Lakeside Junior High and Orange Park High School, all were part of the exciting finale.

“It’s cool to have people here that I can connect with from high school to make my college experience better; it makes the brotherhood stronger,” said Bull, who in the span of his first two years of college football earned a national

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Ridgeview High football and track standout Stanley Dye, who chose Valdosta State after a stellar four years at University of Texas-San Antonio, grapples with a West Florida receiver.



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Clay High state medalist Tazz Hampton, right, is focused on getting a step or two higher on the podium this season.

Devils

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The rest of the room included region qualifiers last year and state hopefuls this year freshman Josh Kumpf at 120 last year; senior Luke Davis at 126; sophomore Luca Fiannaca at 170; senior Jordan Bell at 195 and sophomore Derrick Mosley at 285.

“Those guys will be expected to get to the state level this year,” said Reape. “We have had a great summer at nationals, got them on a good, solid diet to keep weights where we want them and a good attitude to come back with after last year.”

In the room last week, among the current Clay grapplers were alumni Kaleb Collins (third at 195 in 2016 and 2017), Tristan Sichmeller (fourth in 2015 at 170) and John Whiting (a region qualifier in 2015) who added their state level expertise to the program.

“Having those guys come in here says ‘this means something to me’,” said Reape. “Wrestling is a big part of their lives. That connection is what makes the program strong. John Whiting is a guy who probably did not achieve a lot of his goals with no podium and here he is, five years later, in the best shape of his life. Wrestling carries with those guys in life.”

Knights bringing new energy

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

OAKLEAF – With just four returners to the mat, the Oakleaf High wrestling team will be undergoing a new phase of rebuilding for 2019.

Under new head coach Marcus Miller and a return to the mat of two former stalwarts in former coach Sean Conroy and former wrestler Rory Roderick (Class of 2012), the Knights first enter the new season with a bigger team.

“There are big expectations for a few of the returning wrestlers individually,” said Miller. “As a team, we want to strive to become a solid program from 106 to 285. Numbers are up, weight classes are filled, and there is a good group of kids working hard in the wrestling room.”

Miller’s four returners; sophomore Marcus McGee, a region qualifier at 120/126; Logan Gilbert, a junior region qualifier at 138; junior David Parkes, a

SEE KNIGHTS, 33



Oakleaf High’s young wrestling team, here with Dean Dahlem at 152 will be starting the season with a lot of inexperience in a tough district 1-3A and new coaches.



Ridgeview High’s Gabe Guzman is one of top returners for Panthers wrestling coach Bart Rodriguez, on right, as Panthers look to get more athletes into the state meet in 2020.

Wrestling

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In the room with Rodriguez were two former Panthers grapplers; Saied Ejmal, a state qualifier at 138 in 2018, and region finisher Nai Rousseau, a 285 pounder and football player for the Panthers.

“Saied and Nai have been a blessing to the room with their experience,” said Rodriguez. “This is a very young team.”

In 2019, Rodriguez has been traveling the summer to camps, tournaments and clinics to ready himself to avenge the disappointing finish. Dad Bart Rodriguez, the Ridgeview wrestling coach, has fostered a new attitude at Ridgeview with endurance days and more team building to provide son Matthew a winning atmosphere.

Bet on Rodriguez to not let his sophomore finish be repeated.

Rodriguez (54-1 at 106) and Gabe Guzman (45-5), at 113 last year as a junior, were a quick 1-2 punch for a 12-point edge

early in most matches and the duo will again jolt opposition to play catchup as matches progress.

Guzman, at 152, is one of Rodriguez’ go-to guys.

“His experience will help us be competitive this season,” said Rodriguez.

The third piece of the puzzle, senior Shawn Tahir at 126 last year, brings a district title to the mix.

“He should be a strong hammer for us,” said Rodriguez.

Freshman Logan Champion, at 132 last year and Clay Propes, at 120, got banged up, but return to improve. Junior Rae Barger, at 160 last year, got hooked in with eventual district champion Ashley Addler of Terry Parker in his first district match to exit quickly.

Rodriguez has football big man Steven Urfer putting his hat in the ring for one of the heavier weight divisions, plus a handful of more football guys.

Regatta

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turned between two buoys, which was the tricky part of the racing, returned to the start line; a white buoy stationed about 100 yards west of an anchored race officials boat, then repeated the course for the final of the two laps. Total sail distance was about four miles; about 45-60 minutes of action.

"I don't actually know which King this race is named after, but I know the race has been going on since the 1970s," said Weinbecker, five years at her post with a retired Coast Guard husband manning one of the racing boats. "We have crews from New York and Miami. Saturdays event had 20-25 miles per hour winds and it was 55 degrees. We tell our competitors this is north Florida weather. The wind was a little too much and it was freezing."

Weinbecker noted that Bishop Kenny and Episcopal high schools that train at Florida Yacht Club and competed up and down the East Coast.

"Nobody else really does youth sailing around here," said Weinbecker. "St. Augustine has some youth programs. This is our 30th year of youth sailing. It's not a scholarship sport, but it is a sport that can get you in some places if you are good at it."

On Sunday, Weinbecker ushered out a

handful of boats in both races to take on a slightly-choppy St. Johns Rivers with less than 10 miles per hour winds.

"Boats will head north in a back and forth path to move against the wind; tacking, with each boat trying to protect any 'clean' air they can capture in their sails," said Weinbecker. "At the turnaround, with the wind shifting to a kind of tailwind, the boats will unveil a Spinnaker sail that looks like a big parachute to push the boat on a faster path back to the start turnaround. There is a lot of strategy in getting to that gust of wind in a spot that the other boats can't steal the wind from behind. There is a lot of strategy like car-racing and bike-racing after that turnaround."

Unfortunately, in the first races of the Sunday schedule, one of the J24s got tangled with the turnaround buoy and created a chaos of a mess that had officials abandoning the race and calling for a restart of both races.

"The Lightnings start a minute after the J24s and when the buoy got caught behind the J24 that was moving in the current away from the buoys original spot, the smaller boats did not have a proper course," said Weinbecker. "We just bring them back and start over."

Weinbecker noted that time penalties and a spin, where a boat that has been tagged for a penalty can do a complete 360 degree spin; a penalty turn, at the spot



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Sailors in the J24 race, featuring bigger 24-foot vessels, move to tack toward the turn buoy.

of the foul then continue to prevent going all the way back to the start line or back around a turn buoy. Fouls include touching another boat, plus numerous rules regarding wind position and rights of way on the course.

"The start is a straight line from a buoy to the officials boat that one horn notes five minutes to start and a second horn notes the start," said Weinbecker. "In that five minutes, the boats will sail parallel to the line with the wind generating some east-west speed, then, at the second horn, all the boats turn into the wind and head down course," said Weinbecker. "If they cross the line early, they get called out and

can either go back behind the line or do a spin. Sometimes, if they can spin fast, they won't lose much time at the start. If they are in a tailwind, the spin is a costly punishment."

After the turnaround, watching the spinnakers line up in a angled line to stay out from a sail following offers a colorful site for observers with most of the spinnakes bright colored.

"It's one of the best parts of watching a sailing race," said Weinbecker. "The other parts of the race is a lot of strategy, some anxiety and confusion, but if the racers line up in a clean line, it's really colorful."



A line of sailboats fill the sky with big sails; spinnakers, as they race to the downwind turn buoys for their return trip on the second lap of action.



Area wrestling referee C.J. Olivette, eyeballs a pin-to-be by Oakleaf High's David Parkes as the Knights open the season with just four returning athletes.

Knights

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region qualifier and district runnerup at 152, and junior James McClintic at 160 will be Miller's core to start the rebuild.

"There are a lot of new faces into the program, including myself," said Miller, an assistant football coach at Oakleaf. "We injected many football players in the wrestling program, some have past wrestling experience and some are brand new. We

have 11 frosh, seven soph, 10 juniors, and two seniors. If we can keep this group together, the future could be really bright for Oakleaf Wrestling."

Miller's seniors are Jason Mitchell, at 220 and Josh Murrell, at 285, both standout football players for the Knights.

"We wrestle almost all dual tournaments until the end of January, so the focus is on building as a team and competing," said Miller.

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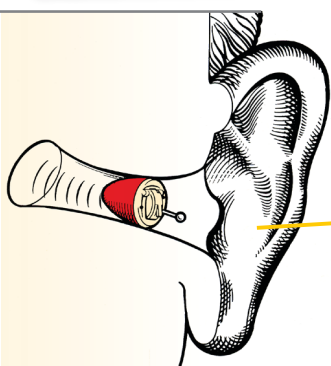
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College Updates

Detwiler wins 2019 opener; Coast Guard 10th in preseason wrestling polls

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor
with excerpts from USCGAsports.com

NEW LONDON, Conn. – Coast Guard Academy Wrestling, which sent a program record five wrestlers to the NCAA Division III Championships and finished 18th nationally last season, were tied for 10th in the National Wrestling Coaches Association (NWCA) Division III preseason poll, the highest national ranking for the team in history, while four wrestlers earn preseason national rankings.

One of those four wrestlers earning a national ranking was sophomore 184-pound Paul Detwiler, a Fleming Island High School (FL) graduate.

The Bears, who were 9-3 in dual meets last season and placed second at both the NEWA Dual Championships and the NCAA Division III Northeast Regional, were ranked first in the New England Wrestling Coaches Association (NEWCA) and were the only team to have a ranked wrestler



CORRESPONDENT PHOTO BY TERI BRIGGS
Paul Detwiler was preseason ranked ninth.

in all 10 weight classes.

Senior A.J. Aeberli was 25-7 last year and earned All-America honors with a sixth place finish at the NCAA Division III Championship at 174 pounds last season and was ranked fourth nationally to start this season.

Aeberli along with NCAA qualifiers junior Jon Wagner (197), who was 16-8 and senior Pat Irwin (Hwt.), who had a record

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Broncos

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than I thought,” said Hayward. “Britany and Sklyar (center Sklyar Baltezegar) were late to the team with the volleyball team going into the playoffs. We are still not near where I want to be at.”

In game one, a 50-31 win against Class AAAA region finalist Sandy Creek of Tyrone, GA, Range was held to just 10 points on the night with no three pointers while providing her senior leadership on defense with 10 rebounds, 10 assists and three steals as Middleburg won 50-31.

“We have a number of players that can step up in any game and that’s a good situation,” said Hayward. “Sklar did a great job on the Sandy Creek center who is going to University of Texas. We worked in the off season on her post play moves. We want her to be comfortable with a soft 6-8 foot jumper.” Three Broncos scored double figures with freshman Courtney Merritt topping the team with 15 points with three three-pointers.

“Courtney played at Potters’ House before coming here though living in Middleburg,” said Hayward, noting that sophomore Samantha Hardison also played for Potters House, top-tier independent basketball program for both boys and girls. “They both bring that readiness to contribute at a high level. Those two are the ones that bring a complete recipe of hard



STAFF PHOTO BY RANDY LEFKO

1,000 points in four years

St. Johns Country Day School senior point guard Kendall Sage got her 1,000th career point with a breakaway steal and layup that led to a 35 point effort in an 80-51 win over Ridgeview on Tuesday. Sage, here with Spartan coach Yolando Bronston, joins a long list of 1,000 point scorers for St. Johns including Athletic Director Traci Livingston. Sage, who needed 29 to reach 1,000, finished the night with 1,005 career points.

players. With the players who have been here, Courtney and Samantha make five players that we have diving and chasing

loose balls.”

Against Sandy Creek, Senior Mar’ria Davis adding 14 with Range putting down

10 points.

In game two, a 71-63 win against 8A region finalist Tallahassee Lincoln (lost to Bartram Trail), Range opened the first quarter with five of her six three pointers en route to a 36 night effort putting the Lady Broncos up 26-19 quickly.

From there, though, Lincoln High junior Erin Turrall, ironically number two as is Range, started to punch in on her 30 points per game average and eventually drew the Trojans to a tie in the third period at 42-42 to offset Range’s statistics.

“They are a playoff team and know how to fight back,” said Hayward. “But, then again, we are also a playoff team that knows how to fight back.”

Turrall almost single-handedly gave Lincoln a 47-42 lead with a layup off a steal and an assist to layup off another steal that forced Hayward to call a time out to reassess.

From that point on, Range found Baltezegar twice with pick and roll passes for layups and Davis nailed a jumper to put the Broncos back in control with a 50-47 lead.

Hayward ramped up the pressure with a full court capture defense that forced Lincoln mistakes as the Broncos surged to the final whistle to win 71-63.

Middleburg doesn’t rest from the arduous schedule with a Wed., Dec. 4 game with 6A runnerup Bishop Kenny and a Fri, Dec. 6 game at Bartram Trail, an 8A Final Four finisher last year.

Girls basketball games

Tues., Nov. 19

Buchholz at Fleming Island (FIHS wins 64-36)
Double 18 point scorers; Kennedy Williams and Isabelle Flores. Emma Richard with 15, 3-3Ptrs, 6 assists; Avery Cannon with 10; Catie Richard/Flores 9 rebounds.
Ridgeview at Westside (RHS wins 37-35)
Orange Park at Providence (OPHS wins 60-58 2OT)
Andrew Jackson at Oakleaf (OHS wins 41-35)
Fantasia James 12 pts, 9 rebounds
Creekside at Middleburg (MHS wins 69-59)
Britany Range 29 Pts, 10 rebounds; Sklyar Baltezegar 25 Pts, 14 rebounds, 6 block shots; Stanton at SJCDs (SJCDs wins 64-20)
Kendall Sage scores 28 points and Mary Kate Kent added 12 points for the Spartans.
Keystone Hts. at Suwannee (KHHS lost 45-27)

Thurs., Nov. 21

Eagles View at Ridgeview (RHS wins 53-23)
Orange Park at Nease (OPHS lost 63-46)
Oakleaf at First Coast (OHS win 55-39)
Kaylah Turner 14 pts, 4 steals; Fantasia James 11 pts, 7 rebounds; Dajah Oden 10 pts; Middleburg at Menendez (Middleburg wins 73-26) Five shooters in double figures; Britany Range/Sam Hardison 16 pts, 2 block; Courtney Merritt 14 pts; Sklyar Baltezegar 13 pts, 14 rebounds, 6 blocks; Mar’ria Davis 10 pts.

Fri., Nov. 22

Clay at Oakleaf (OHS wins 55-10)
Kaylah Turner 19 pts; Fantasia James 9 pts, 10 rebounds, 6 Steals.
Ribault at Orange Park (OPHS lost 60-39)
SJCDs at Aucilla Christian (SJCDs wins 54-22)
Mary Kate Kent led the Spartans with 23 points and Kendall Sage added 18 points.

Sat., Nov. 23

SJCDs at Munroe (SJCDs Wins 72-10)
Keystone Heights vs. Williston
Keystone Heights vs. HEART (KHHS wins 39-34)
Keystone Heights vs. Branford KHHS wins 37-34



Fleming Island is 2-0; Avery Cannon, left, firing off three pointer. Oakleaf High is 5-0, Kaylah Turner top scorer for Knights. Courtney Merritt, Bronco newcomer, drives in win over Lincoln.

Mon., Nov. 25

Bishop Snyder at Clay Clay lost 44-19

Tues., Nov. 26

OPHS at Ponte Vedra OPHS wins 59-48
Sha’Mia Capers 19 Pts., Macie Faucett 15 Pts, 4 assists, Nia Brown 16 Pts, 15 rebounds, 4 Blocked shots.
MHS vs. Sandy Creek (Georgia) MHS wins 50-31
FIHS at First Coast ?FIHS wins 66-41
Avery Cannon 18 points, Emma Richard 15 points

Wed., Nov. 27

MHS v Lincoln MHS wins 71-63

Fri., Nov. 29

OHS v Fernandina Beach Won 61-28 (University Christian Thanksgiving Tournament; Kaylah Turner 29 Pts, 5 rebounds; Fantasia James 9 Pts/6 rebounds
Sat, Nov. 30
Game two-OHS v Menendez, Won 53-26)
Kaylah Turner 23 Pts/10 rebounds, Fantasia James 11 Pts/13 Rebounds/4 blocked shots, Da Geniyah Durante 10 Pts, 2 3-Ptrs



Mon., Dec. 2

Orange Park at RHS OPHS wins 63-27
Fletcher at FIHS FIHS wins 46-33

Tues., Dec. 3

Bolles at Clay 6pm
RHS at SJCDs 530pm
OPHS at OHS 7pm
FIHS at Parker 7pm
Bradford at KHHS 6pm

Wed., Dec. 4

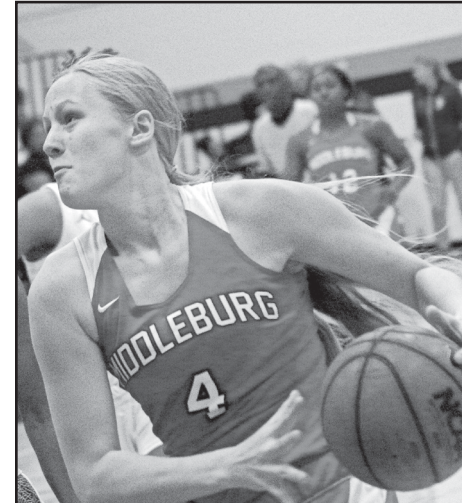
Clay at Bishop Snyder 6pm
Bishop Kenny at MHS 7pm

Thurs., Dec. 5

NFL Tech at SJCDs 6pm
RHS at Baker County 6pm
University Christian at OPHS 7pm

Fri., Dec. 6

SJCDs at St. Joseph 6pm
MHS at Bartram Trail 730pm
FIHS at Ponte Vedra 730pm



Sat., Dec. 7

Keystone Hts. at The Rock 330pm

Mon., Dec. 9

Clay at Ridgeview 630pm
SJCDs at Fletcher 6pm

Tues., Dec. 10

Ridgeview at Bradford 6pm
OPHS at Bishop Kenny 7pm
MHS at Vanguard 730pm
Interlachen at KHHS 630pm

Wed., Dec. 11

SJCDs at St Francis 6pm
FIHS at Buchholz 730pm

Thurs., Dec. 12

Raines at MHS 7pm
First Coast at FIHS 7pm
Eastside at KHHS 7pm
Palatka at Clay 6pm

Fri., Dec. 13

Clay at Baker County 6pm



Nydia CeronMiranda, a Ridgeview High graduate and former cheerleader, is one game away from finishing up a four year stint as a University of Alabama sideline cheerleader.

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of 20-8 were all the top ranked wrestlers in New England. All three won at the NCAA Northeast Region championships last season.

NCAA qualifier sophomore Paul Detwiler (184), the NEWA Rookie of the Year last season, was ranked second in the preseason rankings after going 21-7 last season. Detwiler, ranked ninth at 184 in a Nov. 20, 2019 list at d3wrestle.com, was 0-2 at the NCAA Division III nationals.

In their season opener at the Doug Parker Invitational at Springfield College (MA), the Coast Guard won convincingly over New England College 141.5-102 with Detwiler winning his individual title. Coast Guard scored 11 place winners with four champions.

Detwiler started as the top seed in the weight division, had a BYE, then stomped through his bracket with wins of a pin while up 4-0, an 18-4 tech pin, 10-5 and a 13-8 win in the final.

Coast Guard is the top team in the New England Wrestling Coaches Association (NEWCA) Preseason poll and the Bears are the only team to have a wrestler ranked in all 10 weight classes.

Huff ends freshman campaign with 52-pointer

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

Clinton, S.C. – Freshman quarterback Tyler Huff, a Ridgeview High School (FL) graduate, had 174 passing yards and a pair of touchdowns through the air while adding a rushing score while junior defender Colby Campbell set the Big South record for tackles in a season as the Blue Hose picked up a 52-14 victory on senior day over St. Andrews at Bailey Memorial.

Senior Zola Davis had 103 rushing yards and a touchdown, while Jarius Jeter had 99 rushing yards and two touchdowns. Keith Pearson set a new career-high with 10 catches for 138 yards and two touch-

downs. Colby Campbell led the defense with 17 tackles and three sacks.

Also contributing for Presbyterian, Ridgeview High graduate Jaiden Turner had three rushes for 18 yards with one pass for six yards.

The 52 points PC scored marks the most points in a game for the Blue Hose since Sept. 6, 2014, when Presbyterian had 69 in a victory over Bluefield.

For Huff, the offensive explosion came by way of an eight yard scoring pass in the first quarter after a fumble recovery, a 49 yard pass play to 14-0 on the second drive of the game, and a five yard run to push the score to 35-7 in the second period. The half ended at 35-14.

Huff finishes his first year with 326 yards rushing on 76 carries with two touchdowns with 87 of 149 passes for 871 yards with seven scores and eighth interceptions. His best passing game was a 244 yard effort with two scores against Merimack College in October.

Turner finishes with 110 yards rushing with one score; two passes for 22 yards and one score and 13 kick returns for 239 yards and a 53 yarder.

Kieran Turner, Jaiden's older brother, was also on the Presbyterian roster, but had no game stats.

Wide Receiver Keith Pearson set a single-season record for catches with his career-high 10 for a career-high 138 yards receiving and two scores on Saturday. Pearson now holds the record for most catches in a DI season for PC with



Former Ridgeview High quarterback Tyler Huff, a freshman at Presbyterian, ended his first season with a 52-point win.

71 receptions. Pearson also set the mark for most catches per game by a Blue Hose in the DI era with 5.92 catches per game.

Presbyterian improves to 2-10 while St. Andrews falls to 5-5.

Patton ends career as ASUN defender of year

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Null pushing weights to second nationals run

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

ORLANDO – Clay High School graduate and weightlifter Autumn Null got to the podium as a high schooler with a third place finish in Class 1A in 2016.

“There was a freshman from Union County who was like 100 pounds better than everybody,” said Null, who totaled 340 for her bronze medal with bests of 170 and 170 for the bench press and clean and jerk lifts. “I wanted more.”



Former Clay High state weightlifter Autumn Null earned a trip to USA Nationals with best lifts in the clean and jerk and snatch.

With a first place finish at The Praelium, a USA Weightlifting national qualifier, Null is destined to get to a national podium if all things go right. USA Weightlifting Nationals are scheduled for Dec. 5-8 in Salt Lake City, Utah.

“I won the qualifier last week and now can focus on nationals,” said Null. “It feels good to see results.”

Null finished up at Clay, then attended Jacksonville University for year with some track events; shot put, discus and hammer throw on her agenda, but that lasted just a year.

“I liked being the gym and doing something everyday so I decided to get back into weightlifting,” said Null. “I dedicated myself to technique work and getting stronger.”

For the USA Weightlifting, Null lifts the Olympic snatch; a lift from the floor to right above the head in one motion, and the Clean and jerk, which is a two step lift from the floor to the chest, then a lift overhead.

“The snatch replaces the bench press from high school and is a very technique oriented move,” said Null. “It’s a little scary to do and I got hurt with it a little while ago when I fell backward. I was out for three weeks.”

Null rehabilitated herself back to full strength, got into the Clay High weight room with coach Rodney Keller and started seeing results.

“I’m living in Palatka and workout in gyms in St. Augustine’s Beachside Barbells and at Clay, so it’s a grind, but I’m on track



Area half marathoners show off medals from the Space Coast Half Marathon, from left, Millie Thrasher, 48, Fleming Island, 25th age grouper in 2:00.22; Joanie Barrett, 52, Fleming Island, 20th age grouper in 2:11.06; Kristie Schneider, 37, Middleburg, 45th age grouper in 2:14.46; Soledad Rodriguez, 49, Middleburg, 50th age grouper in 2:18.00 and Cinzia Rothrock, 46, Fleming Island, 37th age grouper in 2:05.39. Not pictured, Christina Mitchell, 49, Fleming Island, won her Space Coast Marathon age group in 3:39.34 (89th overall).

to get a medal at nationals if all goes well,” said Null.

Competing in the 81Kg (178 lbs.) weight division at the Praelium, below her 199 lbs division in high school, Null has improved quickly with her totals from Orlando; a 78Kg (172 lbs.) snatch total and a 104Kg (229 lbs.) clean and jerk.

“I was never over 195 for clean and jerk in high school,” said Null, who totaled 182Kg (401 lbs. “I way surpassed by best lifts. It’s all about getting in the gym everyday and working hard.”

Null was fourth in the Florida State Championships in 2018 with a 162 Kg (357 lbs) total (74Kg (163 lbs) snatch, 88 Kg (194 lbs) clean and jerk).

In a USA Weightlifting rankings into November 2019, Null was ranked seventh in Florida in the 87-plus weight division with a 172 Kg total, not her 182Kg from Orlando. Top total was 234Kg with just two lifters above 200Kg.

Nationally, Null was ranked 57th with her 172 Kg total. Top total was 285Kg with 21 lifters above 200Kg.



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Raiders open up with come-from-behind win

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Clay High had the lead all the way up to the two minute mark before the Orange Park High Raiders basketball team started cashing in on free throws to beat the Blue Devils 52-43 in the season opener for the Raiders. Clay opened with a loss to Bartram Trail in similar fashion on Friday.

“That’s why you practice free throws a lot in practice,” said Orange Park coach Derek Kurnitsky. “Conley (assistant coach John Conley) gave a heck of a halftime speech in there. He had all those kids as junior varsity players and he was not happy about that first half.”

At the 2:13 to go mark, Orange Park guard Javon Dickerson got three offensive rebounds in a scramble under the boards before sinking a layup that had a bonus free throw added to it to put the Raiders up 42-41.

From there, with the Blue Devils hitting the double bonus mark on fouls, the Raiders inched away with free throws from

Josiah Sabino, who had a game-high 22 points, D’Marre Craddock, Corey Thomas, 11 points, and a four-pack from Dustin Campbell to seal the game.

“We hit all but one of 11 free throws in that final stretch of the game,” said Kurnitsky. “Plus, the clock stopped. If we didn’t get them, the game could have swung the other way real fast.”

Campbell’s four free throws at the :25 mark came by way of a backcourt foul and technical foul of the befuddled Clay defense.

“We’ll take them any way we can,” said Kurnitsky. Clay had the lead for the first three quarters; 12-9; 24-19 and 37-25 off tenacious man-to-man defense and tough inside rebounding from newcomer Brandon Peavy and Dylan Griffin, plus a slew of offensive charge fouls induced from center Valdez Seymour on the hard-driving Raiders.

Clay had a 13-6 scoring gap in the third period with Peavy hitting an early three pointer followed by a steal from D’Maurion Frazier to a Tre Griner layup as the Blue Devils looked to control the game to the



STAFF PHOTO BY RANDY LEFKO

Orange Park High lead scorer Josiah Sabino lets go with three pointer ahead of Clay High defender Tre Griner in Raiders comeback win over Blue Devils in season opener.

finish. Peavy and Griffin finished the third period with driving layups to score the game 37-25 before Sabino opened the fourth with a three pointer and a jumper plus one three pointer to squelch the raucous Clay fans.

A second Sabino three point layup plus free throw play put the game at 39-38 for

Clay as the momentum started turning toward the Raider bench.

“Those three point plays are as good as dunks in tight games,” said Kurnitsky.

Valdez scored his own layup plus one to delay the lead change by a minute, but the foul situation for Clay gave Orange Park the advantage in the final two minutes.

Eagles hoops open HOT

By Ray DiMonda
Correspondent

FLEMING ISLAND – Fleming Island High boys basketball played a scorched Earth schedule to the Class 8A Final Four last year and coach Traavis Chandler had an entire summer to ponder his encore for 2019-2020.

“We played a lot of ball through summer camps, playing in some fall events, and having the open gym” said Chandler. “We’ve been working on all of it so they can get a feel for one another and it was showing tonight and hopefully it will show for 24 more games.”

Chandler’s 2020 version of fast and furious put on an absolutely dominant attack against the Ridgeview High Panthers to open the regular season with a 76-57 statement win that kicked the door in on the 2019-2020 season.

The entire game, right up to the final buzzer, both teams never took their foot off the gas and the packed house at the Eagle’s Nest was treated to an awesome show. Both teams kept the press defense on all four quarters. Of note as well was the breakneck pace of the full court sprints both teams kept up. It was as if it was a game of chicken to see who would let up first. Neither team did.

“The guys know each other and it’s a cross-town rivalry,” said Ridgeview High coach Jerome Clyburn. “Any time it’s another Clay County school, it’s going to be a rivalry, it’s going to be intense, and even

those guys that are 10th, 11th, when they get in, they are going to show coach- hey I can play with the same type of intensity, and I was proud to see them continue to play at that level.”

Fleming Island looked more like the last week of regular season with court choreography that most teams don’t reach for weeks. Blind passes, give and go, pick and roll passes, the team simply looked like they never stopped practicing since last season, and, in the end, Fleming Island put the rest of the district on notice, Fleming Island Basketball is here to stake their claim.

Clyburn used all his tools available with strategic time-outs to try and slow the pace and regain some ground.

After the half break, there was no let-up in the pace as Fleming Island went on to put another 21 points up, and Ridgeview could only ante up 16 for a 57-38 third quarter lead.

At times, it seemed like the crowd was at a tennis match with the teams sprinting back and forth with neither willing to allow the other to have any relief.

The final quarter kept the pace up, and Ridgeview finally evened out the scoring 19-19 to end the game 76-57. Of note were Fleming Island’s Sebastian Astor with a team high 19 points on the evening, draining all four foul shots and a three-pointer. Aaron Brown followed with 12 points from the field. Also, Fleming Island had 12 of 14 players score points.



CORRESPONDENT PHOTO BY RAY DIMONDA

Fleming Island High guard Sebastian Astor glides through Ridgeview High defense for running jumper in Golden Eagles season opening win over Panthers.



Former Ridgeview High running back Qahlin Patterson awaits kickoff in his final game for Valdosta State University.

Valdosta

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championship ring after recovering the final onside kick attempt in last year's championship win over Ferris State and returned to be a more involved part of a second unbeaten (10-0) regular season. "I like to always look forward to the best. I never expected that when I chose to come here that this level of success might come to me; winning 25 games in a row."

Bull finishes with 22 tackles, eight tackles for loss, four sacks, one pass breakup and one forced fumble.

In Saturday's NCAA Division II round two contest, after beating West Florida just two weeks ago, Valdosta got outmuscled in the first half of the rematch with the Argonauts posted 14 points in the second and third quarters to grab leads of 24-7 and 31-14 up to the fourth quarter.

"We gave them a couple of the scores off busted coverages," said Dye, who made a key pass breakup in the fourth quarter that led to the Blazers go-ahead touchdown. Dye finished with six tackles with the one pass breakup.

"We had scouted their number 29 as their deep threat, but that number 88 (tight end Tato Lehtio) came was an intermediate threat from the film. He had a great game and hurt us."

Dye finished out his college football career after transferring to Valdosta from a stellar four year career University of Texas-San Antonio. At UTSA, Dye had a red-shirt season that afforded him one more college football season.

"Valdosta was always interested and kept recruiting me over the summer after I graduated," said Dye. "I came in the summer camp as a three or four and won a spot. I still have me speed."

Dye contemplated a possible NFL Pro Day in his future.

"Size and speed wise, I think I'm okay, but, I really think my speed can get me on some special teams then I can go from there," said Dye, who finished with 18 tackles, six pass break ups and one interception for the Blazers.

From their the Blazers woke up their offense and grinded out four rush touchdowns to take a 35-31 lead with 2:12 left

on the game clock.

Late in the fourth quarter, after Valdosta took the lead, West Florida responded with a string of pass catches from tight end Tate Lehtio, West Florida's lead pass catcher with 69 snags, caught 14 on the day. Lehtio's final catch put the Argos inside the Blazer five yard for four more shots.

A pass interference call put the Argos at the Blazer 10 yard line where two misfired pass attempts into the end zone with outstanding coverage from defensive backs Cory Roberts and Taurus Dotson kept the Argos at bay.

One more pass to Lehtio put the Argos at the one as the 6'-4" Lehtio tried to stretch to the goal line, but was deemed short.

With both head coaches calling time outs to reassess the strategy for a one yard plunge versus a goal line stand, it was West Florida running back Anthony Johnson scoring his third touchdown of the day that stopped the Blazer season.

Also from Ridgeview, Patterson, a running back, saw limited duty as a center back on the Blazer kickoff return team.

"It's sad to go out like this, but I'm glad I came here and had a chance at a national title," said Patterson, who played at Presbyterian College before transferring to Valdosta as a sophomore. "I'll take this experience and remember it and have that memory for the rest of my life."

Patterson, with 165 yards this year and three touchdowns, finishes with a degree in health sciences.

Dubose, whose dad Rodney is head coach at Westside High School, was a player at Lakeside Junior High School and Orange Park High School before finishing his high school career with Westside High School with his dad, did not see any playing time.

Dubose, who played one season at the U.S. Naval Academy, did not play in the game. Dubose played in five games with just two carries for 10 yards.

Also on the West Florida roster are Clay High linebacker Chris Sakamoto, Keystone Heights High quarterback Adrian Ciena and Fleming Island defensive end Ryan Birge.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

BURGART ENTERPRISES gives Notice of Lien and intent to sell these vehicles on 12/20/2019, 12:00 pm at 4360 COUNTY ROAD 218 MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068-4852, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida statutes. BURGART ENTERPRISES reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids. 4T1BF1FKXHU301400 2017 Toyota KNAGD128X35214820 2003 KIA Legal 45324 publish Dec 5, 2019 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF ACTION BY PUBLICATION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY FLORIDA
CASE NUMBER: 2018-DP-040
DIVISION: JV-E

IN THE INTEREST OF: D.W. A MINOR CHILD
THE STATE OF FLORIDA

TO: Derick M. Wallace Sr., Father
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Petition has been filed in the above-styled Court by the FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES for termination of parental rights and permanent commitment for subsequent adoption of the above-named child, D.W. who was born on May 18, 2015. You are hereby commanded to appear before the Honorable Judge Angela Cox, the Clay County Courthouse, Juvenile Dependency Courtroom, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida at the hour of 2:00 P.M. o'clock on January 3, 2020, A.D. You must appear at the hearing on the date and time specified.

FAILURE TO PERSONALLY APPEAR AT THIS ADVISORY HEARING CONSTITUTES CONSENT TO THE TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THIS CHILD. IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR ON THE DATE AND TIME SPECIFIED YOU MAY LOSE ALL LEGAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILDREN NAMED IN THE PETITION ATTACHED TO THIS NOTICE.

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Court ADA Coordinator at (904) 255-1695 or crtintrp@coj.net at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled court appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

WITNESS my hand as clerk of said Court and the Seal thereof, this 21st day of November, 2019.

(seal)
TARA S. GREEN
as Clerk of Said Court
By: Denise Haselwood
As Deputy Clerk

Legal 45293 published Nov 28, Dec 5, Dec 12 and Dec 19, 2019, in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

LEGAL NOTICE

The Board of Supervisors of the Clay County Utility Authority will meet in Regular Session at 2:00 P.M. on Tuesday, December 17, 2019, in the Board Room at the Clay County Utility Authority, 3176 Old Jennings Road, Middleburg, Florida. In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, any person needing a special accommodation to participate in this matter, should contact the Clay County Utility Authority by mail at 3176 Old Jennings Road, Middleburg, Florida 32068 or by telephone at (904) 213-2464, no later than 7 days prior to the hearing or proceeding for which this notice has been given. Persons requiring auditory assistance can access the foregoing telephone number by contacting the Florida Relay Service at 1-800-955-8770 (Voice) or 1-800-955-8771 (TDD). If any person intends to appeal any

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decision related to this action, such person will need to provide a court reporter at such person's own expense, for a transcript of the proceedings. All interested persons are invited to attend. For further information, call (904) 213-2464. Legal 45308 publish Dec 5, 2019 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: TLGEY, LLC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows: Certificate No: 2189/2017

Legal Description: PTE 1/2 OF W 1/2 SUBJ TO OIL GAS & MINERAL RIGHTS AS REC OR 1996 PG 1274
Parcel ID No.: 180824-007231-000-00
Opening Bid Amount: \$44,662.93

Physical Address: 7275 BEAUTY BUSH LN, KEYSTONE HEIGHTS
Classification: MOBILE HOME
Name in which assessed: JOHN VINCENT HURST

Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida.

Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on the 19th day of February, 2020 at 9:30 A.M or any subsequently scheduled sale date. Dated this 27th day of November, 2019.

TARA S. GREEN
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Clay County, Florida
By: Jewel Baskin
Deputy Clerk

Legal 45316 published Dec 5, Dec 12, Dec 19 and Dec 26, 2019 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

FICTITIOUS NAME

Notice Under Fictitious Name Law Pursuant to Section 865.09, Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of

Quenchers Drink Bar

with a mailing address of 3266 Hidden Meadows Ct. in the County of Clay, in the City of Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida.

Dated at Green Cove Springs, Florida, this 27th day of November, 2019.

Owner's/corporation name: 1st Coast Ventures, LLC
Legal 45328 published Dec 5, 2019 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

PUBLIC SALE

Sale Date: December 17, 2019 at 8:00 a.m.
Location: 4225 CR 218, Middleburg, Florida

Vehicle: 2000 CHRY VIN# 1C4GP54L0YB627826
Legal 45326 published Dec 5, 2019 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF ACTION FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
FILE NO: 10-2018-DR-002360
DIVISION:

IN RE: THE MARRIAGE OF DAVID REDDING,
Petitioner/Husband,

and LASHARON ELLE MARIE GEORGE, Respondent/Wife.
TO: LASHARON ELLE MARIE GEORGE

7844 Gregory Drive, #506 Jacksonville, FL 32210

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on David Redding, Petitioner, c/o J. Garfield Hurt, Esquire, whose address is 2069-1 Palmetto Street, Middleburg, FL 32068, and file the original with the clerk of this Court at Clay County Courthouse, P.O. Box 698, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043, before service on Petitioner or immediately thereafter. If you fail to

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do so, a default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the petition.

Copies of all court documents in this case, including orders, are available at the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office. You may review these documents upon request.

You must keep the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office notified of your current address. (You may file Notice of Current Address, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.915.) Future papers in this lawsuit will be mailed to the address on record at the clerk's office.

WARNING: Rule 12.285, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, requires certain automatic disclosure of documents and information. Failure to comply can result in sanctions, including dismissal or striking of pleadings. Dated: November 6, 2019

(seal)

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
By: Taylor Tison
Deputy Clerk

Legal 45198 published Nov 14, Nov 21, Nov 28 and Dec 5, 2019 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

NOTICE OF ACTION - CONSTRUCTIVE SERVICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY

GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION

CASE NO: 2019CA001222
BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, N.A. AS TRUSTEE FOR MORTGAGE ASSETS MANAGEMENT SERIES 1 TRUST,
Plaintiff,

vs.
THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF JAMES M. HARRISON, DECEASED, et al.
Defendant(s)

TO: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF JAMES M. HARRISON, DECEASED,
whose residence is unknown if he/she/they be living; and if he/she/they be dead, the unknown defendants who may be spouses, heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, lienors, creditors, trustees, and all parties claiming an interest by, through, under or against the Defendants, who are not known to be dead or alive, and all parties having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in the property described in the mortgage being foreclosed herein.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following property:
LOT 1, BLOCK 3, OF BELLAIR UNIT NO. 8, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 14, PAGES 61 AND 62, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.
has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on counsel for Plaintiff, whose address is 6409 Congress Avenue, Suite 100, Boca Raton, Florida 33487 (30 days from Date of First Publication of this Notice) and file the original with the clerk of this court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint or petition filed herein.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court at County, Florida, this 25th day of November, 2019.

(seal)

TARA S. GREEN
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Clay County, Florida
By: Jewel Baskin
Deputy Clerk

Legal 45302 published Nov 28 and Dec 5, 2019 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper 19-358696

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY FLORIDA

CASE NO.: 2019-CP-000519
DIVISION: E

IN RE: ESTATE OF LESLEY ANN PETERS, Deceased.

The administration of the estate of Lesley Ann Peters, deceased, whose date of death was October 21, 2019, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN FLORIDA STATUTES SECTION 733.702 WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this notice is November 28, 2019.

Attorney for Personal Representatives:
Dale A. Dixon, Esquire
Florida Bar Number: 0059936
301 W. Bay Street, Suite 1402
Jacksonville, Florida 32202
Telephone: (904) 329-7229
E-Mail: dale.dixon@thedixonlawfirm.com

Personal Representative:
Meghan Gabel

Legal 45283 published Nov 28 and Dec 5, 2019 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: TLGEY, LLC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows: Certificate No: 1281/2017

Legal Description: PT OF SE 1/4 S4T5R24 AS REC OR R 1945 PG 535 & 3515 PG 434
Parcel ID No.: 040524-005931-001-45
Opening Bid Amount: \$28,657.84
Physical Address: 241 FOXTAIL AVE, MIDDLEBURG

Classification: MOBILE HOME
Name in which assessed: RONALD E HESTER

Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida.

Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on the 19th day of February, 2020 at 9:30 A.M or any subsequently scheduled sale date. Dated this 27th day of November, 2019.

TARA S. GREEN
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Clay County, Florida
By: Jewel Baskin
Deputy Clerk

Legal 45318 published Dec 5, Dec 12, Dec 19 and Dec 26, 2019 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

Legal Notice

NOTICE OF PUBLICSALE

A1 Towing & Recovery gives Notice of Foreclosure of Lien and intent to sell these vehicles on 12/20/2019, 09:00 pm at 3052 Joe Johns Rd Middleburg, FL 32068, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes. A1 Towing & Recovery reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids. 9BWFL61J944005133 2004 VOLKS Legal 45306 publish Dec 5, 2019 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

PUBLIC SALE

In accordance with the provisions of State law, there being due and unpaid charges for which the undersigned is entitled to satisfy an owner and/or manager's lien of the goods hereinafter described and stored at Life Storage Store #408 located at 1709 Blanding Blvd., Middleburg, FL 32068, (904) 282-6341 and, due notice having been given, to the owner of said property and all parties known to claim an interest therein, and the time specified in such notice for payment of such having expired, the goods will be sold at public auction at the above stated address to the highest bidder or otherwise disposed of on Monday, December 16, 2019 at 12:00 p.m. (noon)

Kimberly R Leite: Hsld Gds/Furn
Rachelle O Bowman: Hsld Gds/Furn
Ruth Y Dias: Hsld Gds/Furn, Other: Sewing Mach/Cabinets

Legal 45278 published Nov 28 and Dec 5, 2019 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

Public Notice

Clay County School Board

The Clay County School Board will hold its Regular monthly meeting on Thursday, December 12, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. in the Teacher Inservice Center located at Fleming Island High School, 2233 Village Square Parkway, Fleming Island, Florida 32003. The meeting is open to the public and all interested persons are invited to attend. Any person requiring special accommodations to attend or participate in public meetings should advise the School District at least 48 hours before the meeting by contacting the Superintendent's Office at (904) 336-6508. If you are hearing or speech impaired, you may contact the District by email addressed to karen_bush@myoneclay.net or by calling (904) 336-6584 TDD. Copies of the proposed agenda will be available online at www.oneclay.net or by contacting the Superintendent's Office, 900 Walnut Street, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043. If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at the meeting, he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and, for such purpose, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

Legal 45279 published Dec 5, 2019 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

PUBLIC SALE

SCOTT'S AFFORDABLE TOWING INC gives Notice to sell the following vehicles for towing and storage lien on Dec 19, 2019 at 10:00 am at 2909 BLANDING BLVD MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes.

2008 Yamaha JYARJ06E18A036921
1997 Honda IHGCD5686VA185119
1997 Ford IFALP4044VF110224
Legal 45323 publish Dec 5, 2019 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

LEGAL NOTICE

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, ELECTING TO USE THE UNIFORM AD VALOREM METHOD OF COLLECTING NON-AD VALOREM SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS LEVIED WITHIN THE CLAY COUNTY SUBDIVISION ROADS MUNICIPAL SERVICE BENEFIT UNIT WITHIN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF THE COUNTY; MAKING FINDINGS IN SUPPORT OF SUCH LEVY; STATING A NEED FOR SUCH LEVY; PROVIDING FOR THE MAILING OF RESOLUTION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
The Board of County Commissioners

Legal Notice

(the Board) of Clay County, Florida (the County), hereby provides notice, pursuant to Section 197.3632(3)(a), Florida Statutes, of its intent to use the uniform ad valorem method of collecting non-ad valorem assessments (the Uniform Method) authorized under Section 197.3632, Florida Statutes, for the collection of State non-ad valorem special assessments to be levied by the County within the unincorporated area of the County, which is coextensive with the Clay County Subdivision Roads Municipal Service Benefit Unit (the MSBU). The purpose of the MSBU is for the provision of capital improvements, maintenance and related services for subdivision roads including but not limited to the maintenance and improvement of sidewalks and of ancillary drainage facilities supporting the roads, and also for future resurfacing of the roads located within the MSBU. The MSBU consists of the unincorporated area of Clay County, Florida as described in Section 7.10, Florida Statutes, excluding the incorporated areas of Orange Park, Florida; Green Cove Springs, Florida; Penney Farms, Florida; and Keystone Heights, Florida. The Board will consider the adoption of a resolution (the Resolution) electing to use the uniform method of collecting such assessments authorized by Section 197.3632, Florida Statutes, at a public hearing to be held at 5:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter, on Tuesday, December 10, 2019, in the County Commission Meeting Room, 4th Floor, Clay County Administration Building, 477 Houston Street, Green Cove Springs, Florida. The Resolution will state the need for the levy and will contain the legal description of boundaries of the real property subject to the levy. A copy of the proposed Resolution may be inspected by members of the public at the County Commission Offices, Fourth Floor of the Clay County Administration Building, 477 Houston Street, Green Cove Springs, Florida, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, with the exception of legal holidays. All interested persons are invited to attend and be heard with regard to the proposed Resolution and the use of the uniform ad valorem method of collecting such non-ad valorem assessments. Pursuant to Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes, a person deciding to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at the meeting during which the public hearing is held or at any subsequent meeting to which the Board has continued its deliberations is advised that such person will need a record of all proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbatim record of all proceedings is made, which must include the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, any person needing a special accommodation to participate in this matter should contact the Clay County ADA Coordinator by mail at Post Office Box 1366, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043, or by telephone at (904) 269-6376 no later than three days prior to the hearing or proceeding for which this notice has been given. Hearing impaired persons can access the foregoing telephone number by contacting the Florida Relay Service at 1-800-955-8770 (Voice), or 1-800-955-8771 (TDD).

Board of County Commissioners
Clay County, Florida

Legal 45213 published Nov 14, Nov 21, Nov 28 and Dec 5, 2019 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

PUBLIC SALE

In accordance with the provisions of State law, there being due and unpaid charges for which the undersigned is entitled to satisfy an owner and/or manager's lien of the goods hereinafter described and stored at Life Storage located at: 918 Blanding Blvd., Store #67, Orange Park, FL 32065, (904) 272-3705 and, due notice having been given, to the owner of said property and all parties known to claim an interest therein, and the time specified in such notice for payment of such having expired, the goods will be sold at public auction at the above stated address to the highest bidder or otherwise disposed of on Monday,

Legal Notice

December 16, 2019 at 11:15 a.m.
 Ricky Martin Jr. - Hslid gds/Furn,
 Steven Aranaga - Hslid gds/Furn,
 Tools/Aplnces, TV/Stereo Equip
 Wayne Edwards - Hslid gds/Furn,
 Tools/Aplnces
 Sra Checa - Hslid gds/Furn,
 Tools/Aplnces, TV/Stereo Equip
 Angela Torresfranca - Hslid gds/Furn,
 TV/Stereo Equip, boxes and totes
 Sharon Ferrell - Hslid gds/Furn
 Samuel Snyder - Hslid gds/Furn
 Danne Harrelson - Hslid gds/Furn
**Legal 45285 published Nov 28 and
 Dec 5, 2019 in Clay County's Clay
 Today newspaper.**

**NOTICE OF ACTION
 - CONSTRUCTIVE
 SERVICE**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
 FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF
 FLORIDA IN AND FOR CLAY
 COUNTY
 GENERAL JURISDICTION
 DIVISION
 CASE NO: 2019CA001220
**LOANCARE, LLC,
 Plaintiff,**
 vs.
**PAOLA OBERTI AND HUGO A.
 HENRIQUEZ, et al.,
 Defendant(s)**

TO: PAOLA OBERTI,
 whose residence is unknown and all
 parties having or claiming to have
 any right, title or interest in the
 property described in the mortgage
 being foreclosed herein.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that
 an action to foreclose a mortgage on
 the following property:

**LOT 82, OLDE SUTTON OAKS,
 ACCORDING TO THE PLAT
 THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN
 PLAT BOOK 32, PAGE 52, OF THE
 PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY
 COUNTY, FLORIDA.**

has been filed against you and you
 are required to serve a copy of your
 written defenses, if any, to it on
 counsel for Plaintiff, whose address
 is 6409 Congress Avenue, Suite 100,
 Boca Raton, Florida 33487 (30 days
 from Date of First Publication of this
 Notice) and file the original with the
 clerk of this court either before
 service on Plaintiff's attorney or
 immediately thereafter; otherwise a
 default will be entered against you
 for the relief demanded in the
 complaint or petition filed herein.
 WITNESS my hand and the seal of
 this Court at County, Florida, this
 3rd day of December, 2019.

(seal)

TARA S. GREEN
 CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
 By Richelle Petty
 DEPUTY CLERK
**Legal 45334 published Dec 5 and Dec
 12, 2019 in Clay County's Clay Today
 newspaper 19-253947**

FICTITIOUS NAME

Notice Under Fictitious Name Law
 Pursuant to Section 865.09, Florida
 Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
 the undersigned, desiring to engage
 in business under the fictitious name
 of

EXIT Inspired Real Estate

with a mailing address of 1642
 Colonial Drive in the County of Clay,
 in the City of Green Cove Springs,
 Florida 32043 intends to register the
 said name with the Division of
 Corporations of the Florida
 Department of State, Tallahassee,
 Florida.

Dated at Orange Park, Florida, this
 25th day of November, 2019.

Owner's/corporation name:
 MJ Inspired Enterprises, PLLC
**Legal 45327 published Dec 5, 2019 in
 Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.**

**NOTICE OF
 AGENCY ACTION**

**TAKEN BY THE ST. JOHNS RIVER
 WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT**
 Notice is given that the following
 permit was issued on: December 2,
 2019.

St Johns River State College 283
 College Drive Orange Park FL 32065
 permit # 35106-6. The project is
 located in Clay County, Section 26,
 Township 4S South, Range 25E East.
 The permit authorizes a surface
 water management system of 12.3
 acres for St Johns River State
 College, New Building Additions
 known as Orange Park Campus. The
 receiving water body is Doctors
 Lake.

Legal Notice

A person whose substantial interests
 are or may be affected has the right
 to request an administrative hearing
 by filing a written petition with the
 St. Johns River Water Management
 District (District). Pursuant to
 Chapter 28-106 and Rule 40C-1.1007,
 Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.),
 the petition must be filed (received)
 either by delivery at the office of the
 District Clerk at District
 Headquarters, P.O. Box 1429, Palatka
 FL 32178-1429 (4049 Reid St, Palatka,
 FL 32177) or by e-mail with the
 District Clerk at Clerk@sjrwm.com,
 within twenty-one (21) days of
 newspaper publication of the notice
 of District decision (for those per-
 sons to whom the District does not
 mail or email actual notice). A
 petition must comply with
 Sections 120.54(5)(b)4. and
 120.569(2)(c), Florida Statutes (F.S.),
 and Chapter 28-106, F.A.C. The
 District will not accept a petition
 sent by facsimile (fax). Mediation
 pursuant to Section 120.573, F.S.,
 may be available and choosing
 mediation does not affect your right
 to an administrative hearing.

A petition for an administrative
 hearing is deemed filed upon receipt
 of the complete petition by the
 District Clerk at the District
 Headquarters in Palatka, Florida
 during the District's regular business
 hours. The District's regular business
 hours are 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., excluding
 weekends and District holidays.
 Petitions received by the District
 Clerk after the District's regular
 business hours shall be deemed filed
 as of 8 a.m. on the District's next
 regular business day. The District's
 acceptance of petitions filed by
 e-mail is subject to certain
 conditions set forth in the District's
 Statement of Agency Organization
 and Operation (issued pursuant to
 Rule 28-101.001, Florida
 Administrative Code), which is
 available for viewing at www.sjrw
 m.com. These conditions include, but
 are not limited to, the petition being
 in the form of a PDF or TIFF file and
 being capable of being stored and
 printed by the District. Further,
 pursuant to the District's Statement
 of Agency Organization and
 Operation, attempting to file a
 petition by facsimile (fax) is
 prohibited and shall not constitute
 filing.

The right to an administrative
 hearing and the relevant procedures
 to be followed are governed by
 Chapter 120, Florida Statutes,
 Chapter 28-106, Florida
 Administrative Code, and Rule
 40C-1.1007, Florida Administrative
 Code. Because the administrative
 hearing process is designed to
 formulate final agency action, the
 filing of a petition means the
 District's final action may be
 different from the position taken by
 it in this notice. Failure to file a
 petition for an administrative
 hearing within the requisite time
 frame shall constitute a waiver of the
 right to an administrative hearing.
 (Rule 28-106.111, F.A.C.).
 If you wish to do so, please visit
 http://www.sjrwmd.com/nor_dec/ to
 read the complete Notice of Rights
 to determine any legal rights you
 may have concerning the District's
 decision(s) on the permit
 application(s) described above. You
 can also request the Notice of Rights
 by contacting the Director of
 Business and Administrative
 Services, 4049 Reid St., Palatka, FL
 32177-2529, tele. no.(386) 329-4570.
**Legal 45336 published Dec 5, 2019 in
 Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

**NOTICE OF
 PUBLIC SALE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
 the undersigned, pursuant to
 SECTION 83.801-809
 Florida Statutes "Storage Facility
 Act" will sell to the highest bidder
 the contents of the following storage
 units located at KEYSTONE
 HEIGHTS SELF STORAGE, 1029 SE
 Sate Road 100, Keystone Heights,
 FL 32656. Said contents consisting of
 personal property, household and
 other goods, furniture, etc., or as
 otherwise indicated.
 Sale will take place on December
 14th, 2019 @ 10:00am @ 1029 SE
 State Road 100, Keystone Heights,
 FL 32656. This sale is being made to
 satisfy a statutory lien. Registration
 will begin at 9:15am at 7378 Sunrise
 Blvd, Keystone Heights, FL 32656
 and then will proceed to the location
 listed above as the auction site.

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Unit number(s) and name(s) of
 tenants are as follows:
 K102 Stacey Montgomery
 Entire contents of the following units
 will be sold to satisfy a lien & other
 charges according to Fl. Statutes
 83.806. Seller reserves the right to
 reject any and all bids and to
 withdraw any unit from such sale.
**Open bids only. CASH PAYMENTS
 ONLY. ALL Sales Are Final. 10%
 Buyers Premium.** For any winning
 bid the buyer must present a \$50.00
 cleaning fee for each winning unit
 and is refundable upon returning the
 unit broom swept. Contents to be
 removed by close of business
 12/14/2019.
**Legal 45321 published Dec 5 and Dec
 12, 2019 in Clay County's Clay Today
 newspaper.**

**NOTICE OF
 RULEMAKING
 REGARDING THE RULES OF
 PROCEDURE OF THE SOUTHWEST
 VILLAGE COMMUNITY
 DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

A public hearing will be conducted
 by the Board of Supervisors of the
 South Village Community
 Development District ("District") on
 Tuesday, January 7, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.
 at Eagle Landing Residents Club,
 3975 Eagle Landing Parkway, Orange
 Park, Florida 32065.

In accord with Chapters 120 and 190,
 Florida Statutes, the District hereby
 gives the public notice of its intent to
 adopt its proposed Rules of
 Procedure. The purpose and effect of
 the proposed Rules of Procedure is
 to provide for efficient and effective
 District operations and to ensure
 compliance with recent changes to
 Florida law. Prior notice of rule
 development was published in the
 Clay Today on November 28, 2019.

The Rules of Procedure may address
 such areas as the Board of
 Supervisors, officers and voting,
 district offices, public information
 and inspection of records, policies,
 public meetings, hearings and
 workshops, rulemaking proceedings
 and competitive purchase including
 procedure under the Consultants
 Competitive Negotiation Act,
 procedure regarding auditor
 selection, purchase of insurance,
 pre-qualification, construction
 contracts, goods, supplies and
 materials, maintenance services,
 contractual services and protests
 with respect to proceedings, as well
 as any other area of the general
 operation of the District.

Specific legal authority for the
 adoption of the proposed Rules of
 Procedure includes Sections
 190.011(5), 190.011(15) and 190.035,
 Florida Statutes (2019). The specific
 laws implemented in the Rules of
 Procedure include, but are not
 limited to, Sections 112.08, 112.3143,
 112.31446, 112.3145, 119.07, 119.0701,
 189.053, 189.069(2)(a)16, 190.006,
 190.007, 190.008, 190.011(3),
 190.011(5), 190.011(15), 190.033,
 190.035, 218.33, 218.391, 255.05,
 255.0518, 255.0525, 255.20, 286.0105,
 286.011, 286.0113, 286.0114, 287.017,
 287.055 and 287.084, Florida Statutes
 (2019).

A copy of the proposed Rules of
 Procedure may be obtained by
 contacting the District Manager at
 475 West Town Place, Suite 114, St.
 Augustine, Florida 32092, (904)
 940-5850 ("District Manager's Office").
 Any person who wishes to provide
 the District with a proposal for a
 lower cost regulatory alternative as
 provided by Section 120.541(1),
 Florida Statutes, must do so in
 writing within twentyone (21) days
 after publication of this notice to the
 District Manager's Office.

This public hearing may be
 continued to a date, time, and place
 to be specified on the record at the
 hearing without additional notice. If
 anyone chooses to appeal any
 decision of the Board with respect to
 any matter considered at a public
 hearing, such person will need a
 record of the proceedings and should
 accordingly ensure that a verbatim
 record of the proceedings is made
 which includes the testimony and
 evidence upon which such appeal is
 to be based. At the hearing, staff or
 Supervisors may participate in the
 public hearing by speaker telephone.
 Pursuant to the provisions of the
 Americans with Disabilities Act, any
 person requiring special
 accommodations at this meeting
 because of a disability or physical
 impairment should contact the
 District Manager's Office at least

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forty-eight (48) hours prior to the
 meeting. If you are hearing or speech
 impaired, please contact the Florida
 Relay Service at 1-800-955-8771 or
 1800-955-8770 for aid in contacting
 the District Manager's Office.

Jim Oliver, District Manager
 South Village Community
 Development District
**Legal 45219 published Dec 5, 2019 in
 Clay County's Clay Today newspaper**

**NOTICE TO
 CREDITORS**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
 FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN
 AND FOR CLAY COUNTY,
 FLORIDA
 FILE NO: 2019-CP-466
**IN RE: THE ESTATE OF HAROLD
 DEAN CASTILE,
 DECEASED.**

The administration of the estate of
 HAROLD DEAN CASTILE, who died
 on June 16, 2019, is pending in the
 Circuit Court of Clay County,
 Florida, Probate Division, the
 address of which is the Clerk of the
 Circuit Court, 825 North Orange
 Avenue, Green Cove Springs, FL
 32043. The names and addresses of
 the PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE
 and his attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the DECEDENT and
 other persons having claims or
 demands against the DECEDENT'S
 estate on whom a copy of this
 NOTICE is required to be served
 must file their claims with this
 COURT WITHIN THE LATER OF
 THREE (3) MONTHS AFTER THE
 TIME OF THE FIRST
 PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE
 OR THIRTY (30) AFTER THE DATE
 OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS
 NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the
 DECEDENT and other persons
 having claims or demands against
 DECEDENT'S estate must file their
 claims with this COURT WITHIN
 THREE (3) MONTHS AFTER THE
 DATE OF THE FIRST
 PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.
 ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN
 THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH
 IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE
 FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL
 BE FOREVER BARRED.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME
 PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY
 CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR
 MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S
 DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.
 The date of the first publication of
 this NOTICE TO CREDITORS is
 November 28, 2019.

MICHAEL SCOTT HALEY
 PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE
 5549 Campo Drive
 Keystone Heights, FL 32656

VeRonica R. Owens
 Attorney at Law, P.A.
 By: VeRonica R. Owens, Esq.
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 VeRonica@VeRonicaROwens.com
 By: Nathan L. Hall, Esq.
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 Nathan@VeRonicaROwens.com
 189 South Lawrence Boulevard
 Keystone Heights, FL 32656
 2000 Henley Road, Suite B
 Middleburg, FL 32068
 Telephone (352) 473-5000
 Attorneys for PETITIONER

**Legal 45292 published Nov 28 and
 Dec 5, 2019, in Clay County's Clay
 Today newspaper.**

**NOTICE TO
 CREDITORS**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, FOURTH
 JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,
 IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY,
 FLORIDA
 CASE NO.: 2016-CP-000226
 DIVISION: F

**IN RE: ESTATE OF EVELYN F.
 SAYAS,
 Deceased.**

The administration of the estate of
 Evelyn D. Sayas, deceased, whose
 date of death was April 5, 2016, is
 pending in the Circuit Court for Clay
 County, Florida, Probate Division,
 the address of which is 825 North
 Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs,
 Florida 32043. The names and
 addresses of the personal
 representative and the personal
 representative's attorney are set
 forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and
 other persons having claims or
 demands against decedent's estate
 on whom a copy of this notice is
 required to be served must file their
 claims with this court ON OR
 BEFORE THE LATER OF 3
 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF
 THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF

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THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER
 THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A
 COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.
 All other creditors of the decedent
 and other persons having claims or
 demands against decedent's estate
 must file their claims with this court
 WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE
 DATE OF THE FIRST
 PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.
 ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN
 THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH
 IN FLORIDA STATUTES SECTION
 733.702 WILL BE FOREVER
 BARRED.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME
 PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY
 CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR
 MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S
 DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.
 The date of first publication of this
 notice is November 28, 2019.

Attorney for Personal
 Representatives:
 Dale A. Dixon, Esquire
 Florida Bar Number: 0059936
 301 W. Bay Street, Suite 1402
 Jacksonville, Florida 32202
 Telephone: (904) 329-7229
 E-Mail:
 dale.dixon@thedixonlawfirm.com

Personal Representative:
 Karen D. Peery
**Legal 45282 published Nov 28 and
 Dec 5, 2019 in Clay County's Clay
 Today newspaper**

**NOTICE TO
 CREDITORS**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR
 CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
 PROBATE DIVISION
 File No. 19-CP-532
 Division: F

**IN RE: ESTATE OF MAUDELL
 MCVAY PARRISH, aka MAUDELL
 M. PARRISH
 Deceased.**

The administration of the estate of
 MAUDELL MCVAY PARRISH also
 known as MAUDELL M. PARRISH,
 deceased, whose date of death was
 August 27, 2019, is pending in the
 Circuit Court for Clay County,
 Florida, Probate Division, the
 address of which is P.O. Box 698,
 Green Cove Springs, FL 32043. The
 names and addresses of the personal
 representative and the personal
 representative's attorney are set
 forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and
 other persons having claims or
 demands against decedent's estate,
 on whom a copy of this notice is
 required to be served, must file their
 claims with the court ON OR
 BEFORE THE LATER OF 3
 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF
 THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF
 THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER
 THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A
 COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent
 and other persons having claims or
 demands against decedent's estate
 must file their claims with this court
 WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE
 DATE OF THE FIRST
 PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.
 ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN
 THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH
 IN FLORIDA STATUTES SECTION
 733.702 WILL BE FOREVER
 BARRED.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME
 PERIOD SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY
 CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR
 MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S
 DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.
 The date of first publication of this
 notice is: December 5, 2019.

Robert D. Hines, Esq.
 Attorney for Personal
 Representative
 Florida Bar No. 0413550
 Hines Norman Hines, P.L.
 1312 W. Fletcher Avenue, Suite B
 Tampa, FL 33612
 Telephone: 813-265-0100
 Email: rhines@hnh-law.com
 Secondary Email:
 jriversa@hnh-law.com

DIANE THOMAS A/K/A ANITA
 DIANE SMITH THOMAS
 Personal Representative
 325 NW Berea Avenue
 Keystone Heights, FL 32656
**Legal 45330 published Dec 5 and Dec
 12, 2019 in Clay County's Clay Today
 newspaper**

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**NOTICE OF ACTION
 - CONSTRUCTIVE
 SERVICE**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
 FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF
 FLORIDA IN AND FOR CLAY
 COUNTY
 GENERAL JURISDICTION
 DIVISION

CASE NO: 2019CA001196
**U.S. BANK, N.A., AS TRUSTEE FOR
 STRUCTURED ASSET
 INVESTMENT LOAN TRUST,
 MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH
 CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2005-3,
 Plaintiff,**

vs.
**THE UNKNOWN HEIRS,
 BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES,
 GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES,
 LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES
 AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY
 CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE
 ESTATE OF ANTHONY DUNN,
 DECEASED, et al. Defendant(s)**

**TO: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS,
 BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES,
 GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES,
 LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES
 AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY
 CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE
 ESTATE OF ANTHONY DUNN,
 DECEASED,**

whose residence is unknown if
 he/she/they be living; and if
 he/she/they be dead, the unknown
 defendants who may be spouses,
 heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees,
 lienors, creditors, trustees, and all
 parties having or claiming to have
 any right, title or interest in the
 property described in the mortgage
 being foreclosed herein.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that
 an action to foreclose a mortgage on
 the following property:

**A PARCEL OF LAND SITUATED IN
 THE NE 1/4 OF THE NE 1/4 OF
 SECTION 18, TOWNSHIP 8 SOUTH,
 RANGE 24 EAST, CLAY COUNTY,
 FLORIDA; SAID PARCEL BEING
 MORE PARTICULARLY
 DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:**

**COMMENCE AT A CONCRETE
 MONUMENT AT THE NW CORNER
 OF THE NE 1/4 OF THE NE 1/4 OF
 SAID SECTION 18 AND RUN
 SOUTH 03° 04'56" EAST, 11.90 FEET
 TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT
 SHOWN ON AN UNDATED,
 UNRECORDED MAP BY ROY L.
 WATKINS, SURVEYOR #770;
 THENCE RUN SOUTH 00 DEGREES
 22'05" EAST, 505.45 FEET TO AN
 IRON PIPE ON THE SOUTHERLY
 RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF A 40
 FOOT COUNTY DEDICATED ROAD
 AS DESCRIBED IN OFFICIAL
 RECORDS BOOK 31 ON PAGE 222
 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF
 SAID COUNTY; THENCE RUN
 EAST ALONG SAID SOUTHERLY
 RIGHT OF WAY LINE 273.97 FEET
 TO AN IRON PIPE AT THE
 NORTHEAST CORNER OF LANDS
 DESCRIBED IN OFFICIAL
 RECORDS BOOK 618 ON PAGE 358
 OF SAID COUNTY; THENCE RUN
 SOUTH 00 DEGREES 29'22" EAST,
 ALONG THE EAST LINE OF
 AFOREMENTIONED OFFICIAL
 RECORDS BOOK, A DISTANCE OF
 209.85 FEET TO AN IRON PIPE ON
 THE NORTHERLY LINE OF LANDS
 DESCRIBED IN OFFICIAL
 RECORDS BOOK 65 ON PAGE 277
 OF SAID PUBLIC RECORDS;
 THENCE RUN SOUTH 89 DEGREES
 34'22" EAST, ALONG SAID
 NORTHERLY LINE 65.20 FEET;
 THENCE RUN SOUTH 89 DEGREES
 23'18" EAST, ALONG SAID
 NORTHERLY LINE AND THE
 NORTHERLY LINE OF LANDS
 DESCRIBED IN OFFICIAL
 RECORDS BOOK 65 ON PAGE 279
 OF SAID PUBLIC RECORDS, A
 DISTANCE OF 210.23 FEET TO AN
 IRON ROD ON THE WESTERLY
 RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF COUNTY
 ROAD NO. C-214; THENCE RUN
 NORTHEASTERLY ALONG SAID
 WESTERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE
 WITH A CURVE CONCAVE
 EASTERLY SAID CURVE HAVING
 A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 14
 DEGREES 58'13", A RADIUS OF
 858.51 FEET, AN ARC LENGTH OF
 224.31 FEET, A TANGENT OF 112.80
 FEET AND A CHORD BEARING
 AND DISTANCE OF NORTH 18
 DEGREES 07'36" EAST, 223.67 FEET
 TO AN IRON ROD AT THE
 INTERSECTION OF THE
 SOUTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE
 OF SAID 40 FOOT COUNTY
 DEDICATED ROAD WITH THE
 WESTERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE
 OF SAID COUNTY ROAD NO. C-214;**

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THENCE RUN WEST ALONG SAID SOUTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE 346.79 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

TOGETHER WITH A PERPETUAL EASEMENT, IN COMMON WITH OTHERS, OVER AND ACROSS LOT "H" OF AN UNRECORDED PLAT OF "PINON" PROPERTY ON "SMITH LAKE" FOR ACCESS TO SMITH LAKE FOR THE PURPOSE OF SWIMMING, FISHING, BOATING, ETC., TOGETHER WITH THE RIGHT TO KEEP AND MAINTAIN ONE BOAT (BUT NO MORE THAN ONE) ON THE WATERS OF SMITH LAKE, MOORED TO THE SHORE OF SAID LOT "H".

TOGETHER WITH 2005 MOBILE HOME - VIN NUMBERS G M H G A 4 0 4 3 2 1 5 7 A AND GMHGA40432157B

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on counsel for Plaintiff, whose address is 6409 Congress Avenue, Suite 100, Boca Raton, Florida 33487 (30 days from Date of First Publication of this Notice) and file the original with the clerk of this court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint or petition filed herein.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court at County, Florida, this 13th day of November, 2019.

(seal)

TARA S. GREEN
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
By: Kasey Valentin
DEPUTY CLERK

Legal 45312 published Dec 5 and Dec 12, 2019 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper 19-373614

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: **TLGEY, LLC**, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No: **1930/2017**
Legal Description: **PT OF GEORGE BRANNING DONATION AS REC O R 3238 PG 44**

Parcel ID No.: **370524-006778-003-00**
Opening Bid Amount: **\$4,408.51**
Physical Address: **3859 COUNTY ROAD 220, MIDDLEBURG**

Classification: **MOBILE HOME**
Name in which assessed: **CHRISTOPHER L HEFFNER**

Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida.

Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on the **19th day of February, 2020 at 9:30 A.M or any subsequently scheduled sale date.**

Dated this **27th day of November, 2019.**

TARA S. GREEN
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Clay County, Florida
By: Jewel Baskin
Deputy Clerk

Legal 45315 published Dec 5, Dec 12, Dec 19 and Dec 26, 2019 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

NOTICE OF ACTION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO.: 2019-CA-001008

NETWORK FUNDING, LP
Plaintiff,
vs
MIKE F. MENDEZ A/K/A MIKE MENDEZ, et al
Defendant(s)

TO: MIKE F. MENDEZ A/K/A MIKE MENDEZ

RESIDENT: Unknown
LAST KNOWN ADDRESS:
1226 WETLAND RIDGE CIRCLE,
MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068-8746

TO: ALEJANDRA M. SAINZ
RESIDENT: Unknown
LAST KNOWN ADDRESS:
1226 WETLAND RIDGE CIRCLE,
MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068-8746

TO: UNKNOWN TENANT
RESIDENT: Unknown
LAST KNOWN ADDRESS:
1226 WETLAND RIDGE CIRCLE,
MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068-8746

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following described property located in CLAY County, Florida: **LOT 623, PINE RIDGE PLANTATION REPLAT PHASE 2-B, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED**

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IN PLAT BOOK 57, PAGE(S) 15 THROUGH 18, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA

has been filed against you, and you are required to serve a copy to your written defenses, if any, to this action on Phelan Hallinan Diamond & Jones, PLLC, attorneys for plaintiff, whose address is 2001 NW 64th Street, Suite 100, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33309, and file the original with the Clerk of the Court, within 30 days after the first publication of this notice, either before or immediately thereafter, otherwise a default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

This notice shall be published once a week for two consecutive weeks in the Clay Today.

Dated: December 2, 2019.

(seal)

Tara S. Green
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: Kasey Valentin
Deputy Clerk of the Court

Movant counsel certifies that a bona fide effort to resolve this matter on the motion noticed has been made or that, because of time consideration, such effort has not yet been made but will be made prior to the scheduled hearing.

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator at crtrinrp@coj.net or (904) 630-2564 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than seven (7) days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

Legal 45331 published Dec 5 and Dec 12, 2019 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper PH# 98309

NOTICE OF ACTION FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 4TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 10-2019-DR-001526-AX
DIVISION: F

Caleb L Pierre
Petitioner,
and
Mayra Sarmiento-Diaz
Respondent.

To: Mayra Patricia Sarmiento-Diaz los pinos, Pena Blanca, Cortes, Honduras

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for dissolution of marriage has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Caleb Lucky Pierre whose address is 641 SW Orange Ave., Keystone Heights, Florida 32656 on or before December 27, 2019 and file the original with this Clerk of the Court at Clay County Courthouse 825 N Orange Ave., Green Cove Spring, FL 32043 before service on Petitioner or immediately thereafter. If you fail to do so, a default may be entered against for the relief to amend the petition.

Copies of all Court documents in this case, including orders, are available at the Clerk of the Court's office. You may review these documents upon request.

You must keep the clerk of the Circuit Court's office notified of your current address. (You may file a Notice of Current Address, Florida Supreme Court approved Form 12.915) Future papers in this lawsuit will be mailed to the addressed on record at the clerk's office.

WARNING: Rule 12.285 Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, require certain automatic disclosures of documents and information. Failure to comply with this can result in sanctions, including dismissal or striking of pleadings.

Date: November 12, 2019

(seal)

TARA S. GREEN
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
By: Jaime Pippin
Deputy Clerk

Legal 45223 published Nov 21, Nov 28, Dec 5 and Dec 12, 2019 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF RULEMAKING REGARDING THE RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE ARMSTRONG COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

A public hearing will be conducted by the Board of Supervisors of the Armstrong Community Development District ("District") on January 9, 2020 at 3:30 p.m. at Plantation Oaks

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Amenity Center, 845 Oakleaf Plantation Parkway, Orange Park, Florida 32065.

In accord with Chapters 120 and 190, Florida Statutes, the District hereby gives the public notice of its intent to adopt its proposed Rules of Procedure. The purpose and effect of the proposed Rules of Procedure is to provide for efficient and effective District operations and to ensure compliance with recent changes to Florida law. Prior notice of rule development was published in the Clay Today on November 28, 2019.

The Rules of Procedure may address such areas as the Board of Supervisors, officers and voting, district offices, public information and inspection of records, policies, public meetings, hearings and workshops, rulemaking proceedings and competitive purchase including procedure under the Consultants Competitive Negotiation Act, procedure regarding auditor selection, purchase of insurance, pre-qualification, construction contracts, goods, supplies and materials, maintenance services, contractual services and protests with respect to proceedings, as well as any other area of the general operation of the District. Specific legal authority for the adoption of the proposed Rules of Procedure includes Sections 190.011(5), 190.011(15) and 190.035, Florida Statutes (2019). The specific laws implemented in the Rules of Procedure include, but are not limited to, Sections 112.08, 112.3143, 112.31446, 112.3145, 119.07, 119.0701, 189.053, 189.069(2)(a)16, 190.006, 190.007, 190.008, 190.011(3), 190.011(5), 190.011(15), 190.033, 190.035, 218.33, 218.391, 255.05, 255.0518, 255.0525, 255.20, 286.0105, 286.011, 286.0113, 286.0114, 287.017, 287.055 and 287.084, Florida Statutes (2019).

A copy of the proposed Rules of Procedure may be obtained by contacting the District Manager at Governmental Management Services, LLC, 475 West Town Place, Suite 114, St. Augustine, Florida 32092, Ph: (904) 580-5850 ("District Manager's Office").

Any person who wishes to provide the District with a proposal for a lower cost regulatory alternative as provided by Section 120.541(1), Florida Statutes, must do so in writing within twentyone (21) days after publication of this notice to the District Manager's Office.

This public hearing may be continued to a date, time, and place to be specified on the record at the hearing without additional notice. If anyone chooses to appeal any decision of the Board with respect to any matter considered at a public hearing, such person will need a record of the proceedings and should accordingly ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made which includes the testimony and evidence upon which such appeal is to be based. At the hearing, staff or Supervisors may participate in the public hearing by speaker telephone. Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations at this meeting because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the District Manager's Office at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service at 1-800-955-8771 or 1800-955-8770 for aid in contacting the District Manager's Office.

Jim Perry, District Manager
Armstrong Community Development District
Legal 45275 published Dec 5, 2019 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: **TLGEY, LLC**, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No: **1393/2017**
Legal Description: **PT OF N1/2 S8T5R24 AS REC O R 3876 PG 1549**

Parcel ID No.: **080524-005951-001-19**
Opening Bid Amount: **\$5,390.26**
Physical Address: **509 KAY RD, MIDDLEBURG**

Classification: **MOBILE HOME**
Name in which assessed: **ALFRED WRIGHT SELPH & TARA NICHOLE SELPH**

Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida.

Unless said certificate shall be

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redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on the **19th day of February, 2020 at 9:30 A.M or any subsequently scheduled sale date.**

Dated this **27th day of November, 2019.**

TARA S. GREEN
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Clay County, Florida
By: Jewel Baskin
Deputy Clerk

Legal 45317 published Dec 5, Dec 12, Dec 19 and Dec 26, 2019 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

Notice of Meeting Armstrong Community Development District

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Armstrong Community Development District will be held on Thursday, December 12, 2019 at 3:30 p.m. at the Plantation Oaks Amenity Center, 845 Oakleaf Plantation Parkway, Orange Park, Florida 32065. The meeting is open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida Law for Community Development Districts. A copy of the agenda for this meeting may be obtained from the District Manager, at 475 West Town Place, Suite 114, St. Augustine, FL 32092 (and phone (904) 940-5850). This meeting may be continued to a date, time, and place to be specified on the record at the meeting. There may be occasions when one or more Supervisors will participate by telephone.

Any person requiring special accommodations at this meeting because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the District Office at (904) 940-5850 at least two calendar days prior to the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service at 1-800-955-8770, for aid in contacting the District Office.

Each person who decides to appeal any action taken at these meetings is advised that person will need a record of the proceedings and that accordingly, the person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which such appeal is to be based.

James Perry
District Manager

Legal 45289 published Dec 5, 2019 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF CONSENT ORDER

STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
The Department of Environmental Protection ("Department") gives notice of agency action of entering into a Consent Order with ORANGE PARK 1, LP pursuant to section 120.57(4), Florida Statutes. The Consent Order addresses the failure to maintain all equipment necessary for the collection/transmission of domestic wastewater, unpermitted and unauthorized discharge of sewage into St. Johns River, and failure to report a spill of 4,000 gallons discharged into the state waters of the St. Johns River at 741 Park Avenue, Orange Park, Florida 32073 in Clay County, further identified by Clay County Property Appraiser Parcel ID: 50-04-26-018523-000-00. The Consent Order is available for public inspection during normal business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except legal holidays, at the Department of Environmental Protection, Northeast District Office, 8800 Baymeadows Way West, Suite 100, Jacksonville, Florida, 32256.

Persons who are not parties to this Consent Order, but whose substantial interests are affected by it, have a right to petition for an administrative hearing under sections 120.569 and 120.57, Florida Statutes. Because the administrative hearing process is designed to formulate final agency action, the filing of a petition concerning this Consent Order means that the Department's final action may be different from the position it has taken in the Consent Order.

The petition for administrative hearing must contain all of the following information:

- The OGC Number assigned to this Consent Order;
- The name, address, and telephone number of each petitioner; the name, address, and telephone number of the petitioner's representative, if any, which shall be the address for service purposes during the course of the proceeding;
- An explanation of how the

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petitioner's substantial interests will be affected by the Consent Order;

d) A statement of when and how the petitioner received notice of the Consent Order;

e) Either a statement of all material facts disputed by the petitioner or a statement that the petitioner does not dispute any material facts;

f) A statement of the specific facts the petitioner contends warrant reversal or modification of the Consent Order;

g) A statement of the rules or statutes the petitioner contends require reversal or modification of the Consent Order; and

h) A statement of the relief sought by the petitioner, stating precisely the action petitioner wishes the Department to take with respect to the Consent Order.

The petition must be filed (received) at the Department's Office of General Counsel, 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, MS# 35, Tallahassee, Florida, 32399-3000, within 21 days of receipt of this notice. A copy of the petition must also be mailed at the time of filing to the District Office at 8800 Baymeadows Way West, Suite 100, Jacksonville, Florida, 32256. Failure to file a petition within the 21-day period constitutes a person's waiver of the right to request an administrative hearing and to participate as a party to this proceeding under sections 120.569 and 120.57, Florida Statutes. Before the deadline for filing a petition, a person whose substantial interests are affected by this Consent Order may choose to pursue mediation as an alternative remedy under section 120.573, Florida Statutes. Choosing mediation will not adversely affect such person's right to request an administrative hearing if mediation does not result in a settlement. Additional information about mediation is provided in section 120.573, Florida Statutes and Rule 62-110.106(12), Florida Administrative Code.

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A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, ELECTING TO USE THE UNIFORM AD VALOREM METHOD OF COLLECTING NON-AD VALOREM SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS LEVIED WITHIN THE BIG TREE LAKES/SILVER SANDS ESTATES ROADS MUNICIPAL SERVICE BENEFIT UNIT WITHIN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF THE COUNTY; MAKING FINDINGS IN SUPPORT OF SUCH LEVY; STATING A NEED FOR SUCH LEVY; PROVIDING FOR THE MAILING OF RESOLUTION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The Board of County Commissioners (the Board) of Clay County, Florida (the County), hereby provides notice, pursuant to Section 197.3632(3)(a), Florida Statutes, of its intent to use the uniform ad valorem method of collecting non-ad valorem assessments (the Uniform Method) authorized under Section 197.3632, Florida Statutes, for the collection of certain non-ad valorem special assessments to be levied by the County within the unincorporated area of the County and included within the Big Tree Lakes/Silver Sands Estates Roads Municipal Service Benefit Unit (the MSBU). The MSBU consists of a tract of land lying in Sections 8, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 22, 23, Township 8 South, Range 23 East, Clay County, Florida, and generally known as Big Tree Lakes, Section C, an unrecorded subdivision, and the following subdivisions recorded in the public records of Clay County, Florida: Silver Sand Estates, Plat Book 7, Pages 8-11; Big Tree Lakes Section A, Plat Book 11, Pages 54-61; Big Tree Lakes Section B, Plat Book 12, Pages 1-9, all of which are coextensive with the MSBU. The purpose of the MSBU is for the provision of capital improvements, maintenance and related services for the graded roads, including but not limited to the improvement of ancillary drainage facilities supporting the graded roads located within the MSBU. The MSBU will not be used to pave any of the graded roads within the MSBU. The Board will consider the adoption of a resolution (the Resolution) electing to use the uniform method of collecting such assessments authorized by Section 197.3632, Florida Statutes, at a public hearing to be held at 5:00 p.m. or as soon

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thereafter, on Tuesday, December 10, 2019, in the County Commission Meeting Room, 4th Floor, Clay County Administration Building, 477 Houston Street, Green Cove Springs, Florida. The Resolution will state the need for the levy and will contain the legal description of boundaries of the real property subject to the levy. A copy of the Resolution may be inspected by members of the public at the County Commission Offices, Fourth Floor of the Clay County Administration Building, 477 Houston Street, Green Cove Springs, Florida, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, with the exception of legal holidays. All interested persons are invited to attend and be heard with regard to the proposed Resolution and the use of the uniform ad valorem method of collecting such non-ad valorem assessments.

Pursuant to Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes, a person deciding to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at the meeting during which the public hearing is held or at any subsequent meeting to which the Board has continued its deliberations is advised that such person will need a record of all proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbatim record of all proceedings is made, which must include the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, any person needing a special accommodation to participate in this matter should contact the Clay County ADA Coordinator by mail at Post Office Box 1366, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043, or by telephone at (904) 269-6376 no later than three days prior to the hearing or proceeding for which this notice has been given. Hearing impaired persons can access the foregoing telephone number by contacting the Florida Relay Service at 1-800-955-8770 (Voice), or 1-800-955-8771 (TDD).

Board of County Commissioners
Clay County, Florida
Legal 45212 published Nov 14, Nov 21, Nov 28 and Dec 5, 2019 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Self-storage unit contents of the following customers containing household and other goods will be sold for cash by CubeSmart #5500, 1939 East West Pkwy, Fleming Island, FL 32003 to satisfy a lien on 12/21/2019 at approx. 12:00pm at storage.treasures.com:

Rona Michele Jakositz
Legal 44284 published Nov 28 and Dec 5, 2019 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

LEGAL NOTICE

Dear Patients:
This notification is to inform you that as January 1st, 2020, Dr. Emily Keener will be resigning from Hughton Clinic medical staff. Hughton Clinic will continue to provide you with quality treatment and management of your orthopaedic trauma injuries. The clinic will remain staffed by outstanding fellowship trained traumatologists who will continue in the Hughton tradition of providing excellence in orthopaedic care.

While the choice of a physician for continued care is ultimately the patient's, we feel confident to continue to serve you at our current location and can be reached at the number below.

Should you wish to obtain a copy of your medical records or have them sent to an alternate provider, please have that provider send a release form or you can drop by the office.

OFFICE LOCATION:
3627 University Blvd Suite 550,
Jacksonville FL 32216
PHONE NUMBER: 904-570-8604
OFFICE HOURS: M-F 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Legal 45231 published Nov 21, Nov 28, Dec 5 and Dec 12, 2019 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: **TLGEY, LLC**, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:

Certificate No: **1840/2017**
Legal Description: **LOT 54 BLK 147 BLACK CREEK PARK UNIT 1 AS**

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REC.O.R 2480 PG 30
Parcel ID No.: **320524-006698-584-00**
Opening Bid: **\$3,410.64**
Physical Address: **4935 KALMIA ST, MIDDLEBURG**
Classification: **MOBILE HOME**
Name in which assessed: **BRETT HOOD**
Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida.
Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on the 19th day of February, 2020 at 9:30 A.M or any subsequently scheduled sale date.
Dated this 27th day of November, 2019.

TARA S. GREEN
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Clay County, Florida
By: Jewel Baskin
Deputy Clerk
Legal 45314 published Dec 5, Dec 12, Dec 19 and Dec 26, 2019 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

NOTICE OF ACTION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO. 2019 CA 000633
NEWREZ LLC F/K/A NEW PENN FINANCIAL, LLC D/B/A SHELLPOINT MORTGAGE SERVICING,
Plaintiff,
v.
RAYMOND PATRICK BOSWELL; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF RAYMOND PATRICK BOSWELL; BIG TREE LAKES PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.; ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING INTERESTS BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST A NAMED DEFENDANT TO THIS ACTION, OR HAVING OR CLAIMING TO HAVE ANY RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY HEREIN DESCRIBED; UNKNOWN TENANT #1; UNKNOWN TENANT #2,
Defendant(s).

To the following Defendant(s):
UNKNOWN TENANT #1
UNKNOWN TENANT #2
(AVOIDING SERVICE)
7612 El Dorado Avenue,
Keystone Heights, Florida 32656
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for Foreclosure of Mortgage on the following described property:
LOTS 7 AND 8, BLOCK 21 OF FLORIDA FRONTIER SUBDIVISION, UNIT II, A SUBDIVISION AS PER THE PLAT THEREOF FILED AT PLAT BOOK 10, PAGES 32-35, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
Property Address: 7612 El Dorado Avenue, Keystone Heights, Florida 32656

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, upon Kelley Kronenberg, Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 10360 West State Road 84, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33324, a date which is within thirty (30) days after the first publication of this Notice in Clay Today and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

This notice is provided pursuant to Administrative Order No. 2.065. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act: If you are a person with a disability who needs an accommodation in order to access court facilities or participate in a court proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. To request such an accommodation, please contact the Court Administrator at least three business days prior to the required service by using one of the following methods: Phone - 904-630-2564; Fax - (904) 630-1146; TTD/TTY - (800) 955-8770 (Florida Relay Services). E-Mail - crclintp@coj.net.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court this 3rd day of December, 2019.
(seal)
TARA GREEN
Clerk of the Court
By Stacie Towns
As Deputy Clerk
Legal 45332 published Dec 5 and Dec 12, 2019 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

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PUBLIC SALE

We Stor of Middleburg will conduct a public sale to the highest bidder on their premises at 4404 County Road 218, Middleburg, FL 32068, in enforcement of Florida Statutes section 83.806 on Friday, December 13, 2019, at 5:30pm on the following units: The company reserves the right to reject any bid and withdraw any items from the sale. All units contain household goods unless otherwise noted: Rachel Allen, Patricia Bullington, Antonio Casanova, James Casteel, Jr., Sarah Combs, Nicole Conklin, Tonya Green, Daniel Groat, Leslie Guarino, Tina Jeffers & Russell Duckworth, Sandra Jennings, Lisa Jones, Sean Kirkland, Brenda Klabier, Penny Leverett, Jared Mason, Nancy Mizell, Nakia Oliver, Wende Peters, Bruce & Joshua Pouliot, Tina Qualls, Mark Schleiger, Brandie Senters, Christopher Sims-tools, June Smith, Wendy Stokes, Gary Tague, David Vannest
Legal 45217 published Nov 28 and Dec 5, 2019 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF ACTION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
Case No.: 2019-CA-000294
Division: F

LONNIE RUCKER, LINDA RUCKER, RICK ALCORN, and MELISSA SCOTT,
Plaintiffs,
v.
DENNIS WIGHT; PATRICIA WIGHT; SWEAT EQUITY, INC., A DEFUNCT FLORIDA CORPORATION; FLEET FINANCE & MORTGAGE, INC., A FLORIDA CORPORATION; and ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST THE HEREIN NAMED INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANT(S) WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS;
Defendants.

TO: FLEET FINANCE & MORTGAGE, INC., A FLORIDA CORPORATION, Defendants, and all parties claiming interest by, through, under or against Defendants, and all parties having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in the property herein described.
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for declaratory judgment and damages based on quiet title, adverse possession, trespass, and satisfaction of mortgage on the following properties in Clay County, Florida:

A parcel of land situated in Section 4, Township 5 South, Range 24 East, Clay County, Florida; said parcel being more particularly described as follows:
Commence at the Southeast corner of said Section 4; thence on the South line thereof, run South 89 degrees 24 minutes 59 seconds West 649.85 feet to the Westerly line of Johns Cemetery Road; thence last said line, run the following five (5) courses: (1) North 5 degrees 20 minutes 40 seconds East 106.35 feet; (2) on the arc of a curve concave Northwesterly, and having a radius of 210.00 feet, run a chord distance of 186.07 feet, the bearing of said chord being North 29 degrees 02 minutes 50 seconds East; (3) North 02 degrees 45 minutes 00 seconds East, 476.79 feet; (4) North 03 degrees 01 minute 20 seconds East 1,544.98 feet, to the Point of Beginning; (5) North 03 degrees 01 minute 20 seconds East 150.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 34 minutes 05 seconds West 300.00 feet; thence South 03 degrees 01 minute 20 seconds West 150.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees 34 minutes 05 seconds East 300.00 feet, to the Point of Beginning, being 1.03 acres, more or less, in area.

Together with an easement for drainage, utilities, and general road purposes, covering a portion of said Section 4; said portion being more particularly described as follows:
Commence at the Southeast corner of said Section 4; thence on the South line thereof, run South 89 degrees 24 minutes 59 seconds West 649.85 feet, to the Westerly line of Johns Cemetery Road; thence on last said line, run the following five (5) courses: (1) North 55 degrees 20

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minutes 40 seconds East 106.35 feet; (2) on the arc of a curve concave Northwesterly and having a radius of 210.00 feet, run a chord distance of 186.07 feet, the bearing of said chord being North 29 degrees 02 minutes 50 seconds East; (3) North 02 degrees 45 minutes 00 seconds East 476.79 feet; (4) North 03 degrees 01 minute 20 seconds East 1,694.98 feet, to the Point of Beginning; (5) North 03 degrees 01 minute 20 seconds East 60.06 feet; thence North 89 degrees 34 minutes 05 seconds West 600.00 feet; thence South 03 degrees 01 minute 20 seconds West 60.06 feet; thence South 89 degrees 34 minutes 05 seconds East 600.00 feet, to the Point of Beginning.
ALSO: Subject to a 100 foot Right of Way easement to Clay Electric Co-operative, as per Deed Book 108, page 385 of the public records of said County.
Parcel No.: #04-05-24-005931-001-11 AND
A parcel of land situated in Section 4, Township 5 South, Range 24 East, Clay County, Florida; said parcel being more particularly described as follows:
Commence at the Southeast corner of said Section 4; thence on the South line thereof, run South 89 degrees 24 minutes 59 seconds West 649.85 feet to the Westerly line of Foxtail Av (formerly known as John Cemetery Road); thence on last said line, run the following five courses: (1) North 55 degrees 20 minutes 40 second East 106.35 feet; (2) on the arc of a curve concave Northwesterly, and having a radius of 210.00 feet, run a chord distance of 186.07 feet, the bearing of said chord being North 29 degrees 02 minutes 50 seconds East; (3) North 02 degrees 45 minutes 00 seconds East 476.79 feet; (4) North 03 degrees 01 minute 20 seconds East 1,694.98 feet; thence North 89 degrees 34 min 05 seconds West 300 feet, to the Point of Beginning; thence continue North 89 degrees 34 minutes 05 seconds West 300 feet; thence South 03 degrees 01 minute 20 seconds West 150.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees 34 minutes 05 seconds East 300.00 feet; thence North 03 degrees 01 minute 20 seconds East 150.00 feet to the Point of Beginning.

TOGETHER WITH an easement for drainage, utilities, and general road purposes, covering a portion of said Section 4; said portion being and more particularly described as follows:
Commence at the Southeast corner of said section 4; thence on the South line thereof, run South 89 degrees 24 minutes 59 seconds West 649.85 feet, to the Westerly line of Foxtail Av (formerly known as Johns Cemetery Road); thence on last said line, run the following five courses: (1) North 55 degrees 20 minutes 40 seconds East 106.35 feet; (2) on the arc of a curve concave Northwesterly and having a radius of 210.00 feet, run a chord distance of 186.07 feet, the bearing of said chord being North 29 degrees 02 minutes 50 seconds East; (3) North 02 degrees 45 minutes 00 seconds East 476.79 feet; (4) North 03 degrees 01 minute 20 seconds East 60.06 feet; thence North 89 degrees 34 minutes 05 seconds West 600.00 feet; thence South 03 degrees 01 minutes 20 seconds West 60.06 feet; thence South 89 degrees 34 minutes 05 seconds East 600.00 feet, to the Point of Beginning.

TOGETHER WITH that certain 1985 ESTA Mobile Home, title # 41396245 and Identification Number **DOCFL28841 0732**
Parcel No.: #04-05-24-005931-001-042 has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on **WILLIAM H. DAVIE, II, Plaintiffs'** attorney, whose address is 733 North Palmetto Avenue, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043, on or before December 12, 2019, and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

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DATED this 7th day of November, 2017
(seal)
TARA S. GREEN
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
BY: Taylor Tison
As Deputy Clerk
Legal 45204 published Nov 14, Nov 21, Nov 28 and Dec 5, 2019 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

Public Notice

Clay County Towing gives notice of lien and intent to sell the following vehicles at 2864 Blanding Blvd Middleburg Fl. 32068 at date and time listed below:
2003 Toyota JTDAT1239303049991 12/29/2019 AT 10AM
Pursuant to subsection 713-78 of the FL Statute. Clay County Towing reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.
Legal 45325 published Dec 5, 2019 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
File No. 2019-CP-000427
Division E

IN RE: ESTATE OF CHARLOTTE ANN BURSON,
The administration of the estate of CHARLOTTE ANN BURSON, deceased, whose date of death was August 2, 2019, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Probate Division, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.
All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. ALL CLAIMS NOT SO FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.
The date of first publication of this notice is December 5, 2019.
Attorney for Personal Representative:
GRADY H. WILLIAMS, JR.
Attorney for Petitioner
Florida Bar Number 887950
Grady H. Williams, Jr., LL.M.
Attorneys at Law, P.A.
1543 Kingsley Avenue Suite 5
Orange Park, FL 32073
Telephone: (904) 264-8800
Fax: (904) 264-0155
Primary email address: grady@floridaelder.com
Secondary email address: donna@floridaelder.com

Personal Representative:
MICHAEL H. BURSON
709 Celebration Lane
Middleburg, Florida 32068
Legal 45309 published Dec 5 and Dec 12, 2019 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF REGISTRATION OF FICTITIOUS NAME

Notice Is Hereby Given that Sunlight Window Decor, LLC, 224 Timbercreek Dr., Ponte Vedra, FL 32081, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of

Budget Blinds of Orange Park

with its principal place of business in the State of Florida in the County of Clay, intends to file an Application for Registration of Fictitious Name with the Florida Department of State.
Legal 45329 published Dec 5, 2019, in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

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NOTICE OF ACTION FOR PUBLICATION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2019-DR-1988
DIVISION: F

IN RE: THE MARRIAGE OF GRANTLAND I. KINGMAN, Husband, and DIANE JARVIS, Wife.
TO: Diane Jarvis
3316 Harbours Boulevard
Waterford, Michigan 48328

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for dissolution of marriage, including claims for equitable distribution, has been filed against you. You are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to this action on Stefani K. Nolan, Esquire, of KENNY LEIGH & ASSOCIATES, Husband's attorney, whose address 414 Old Hard Road, Suite 201, Fleming Island, Florida 32003, on or before --, and file the original with the clerk of this court at Clay County Courthouse, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043, either before service on Husband's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the petition.
WARNING: Rule 12.285, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, requires certain automatic disclosure of documents and information. Failure to comply can result in sanctions, including dismissal or striking of pleadings.
DATED this 25th day of November, 2019.

(seal)
Tara S. Green
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
By: Taylor Tison
Deputy Clerk

Legal 45313 published Dec 5, Dec 12, Dec 19 and Dec 26, 2019 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice of Public Sale of the contents of the following storage units located at Morgran Mini Stor-it, 369 Blanding Blvd., Orange Park, FL 32073. The sale will be on Thursday, October 28, 2019 at 11:00 a.m.
Unit #/Tenant or BusinessName

- A03 Joseph Natkia
 - A04 Angela Vick
 - A80 John Pritz
 - A99 Christopher Sheppard
 - B05 Dean Haus
 - C13 Chiquita Floyd
 - C31 Scott Carter Elliott
 - D31 JoAnn Dodson
 - D35 Glenn Dixon
 - D64 Sean Story
 - D74 Jerry Dunn
 - E10 Michelle Parrish
 - E14 Julie Kurowski
 - G01 Chastity Brooks
 - J31 Panda Express/Maria Trouboul
 - K15 Arlen Pierre
 - M07 Lorrie Strange
 - M28 Romeo Mayo
 - M30 Martha Jones
 - I103 Tyson Thomas
 - I109 Dwain Nobles II
 - I110 Dwain Nobles II
 - 913 Rocky Gomez
 - N210 Arlen Pierre
 - RV14 Justin Matrazzo
- Sale being held to satisfy landlords' lien. Seller reserves the right to reject any/all bids and to withdraw any unit from sale. Cash only. Contents to be removed within 24 hours.

Morgan Mini Stor-It
369 Blanding Blvd.
Orange Park, FL 32073
Phone: 904-272-2201
Fax: 904-272-0506
Email: morgranop@aol.com
Legal 45311 published Dec 5 and Dec 12, 2019 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: **TIGFY, LLC**, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number and year of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:
Certificate No: **1215/2017**
Legal Description: **PT LOT 45 BLK A LONGBAY A/K/A PRCI 1A LONGBAY AS REC.O.R 2621 PG 198**
Parcel ID No.: **350424-005715-001-00**
Opening Bid Amount: **\$3,825.21**

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Physical Address: **4024 PINTO RD, MIDDLEBURG**
Classification: **MOBILE HOME**
Name in which assessed: **TODD BARTON & VICKIE BARTON**
Said property being in the County of Clay, State of Florida.

Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate shall be sold to the highest bidder at the courthouse door on the 19th day of February, 2020 at 9:30 A.M or any subsequently scheduled sale date.
Dated this 27th day of November, 2019.

TARA S. GREEN
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Clay County, Florida
By: Jewel Baskin
Deputy Clerk

Legal 45319 published Dec 5, Dec 12, Dec 19 and Dec 26, 2019 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

PUBLIC SALE

In accordance with the provisions of State law, there being due and unpaid charges for which the undersigned is entitled to satisfy an owner and/or manager's lien of the goods hereinafter described and stored at Life Storage located at: 600 Blanding Blvd., Store #409, Orange Park, FL 32073, (904) 773-6331 and, due notice having been given, to the owner of said property and all parties known to claim an interest therein, and the time specified in such notice for payment of such having expired, the goods will be sold at public auction at the above stated address to the highest bidder or otherwise disposed of on Monday, December 16, 2019 at 10:45 a.m.
Shaundre Brishbon - Hsld gds/Furn, TV/Stereo Equip, Tools/Aplneces, Clothes, boxes
Vasiliki Daniels - Hsld gds/Furn
Meredith Bittner - Hsld gds/Furn; Tools/Aplneces, Off Furn/Mach/Equip
Natasha Hurst- Hsld gds/Furn, Tools/Aplneces
Marilyn Stevens - Hsld gds/Furn, TV/Stereo Equip
Legal 45290 published Nov 28 and Dec 5, 2019, in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

Bid Notices

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed proposals will be received until 4:00 P.M., Friday, December 27, 2019, at the Clay County Admin Bldg, Purchasing Dept, 4th floor, 477 Houston St, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043, for the following:
RFP NO.: 19/20-20,
Tourism Department Sports Marketing and Sales

Bids will be opened at 1:00 P.M., or as soon thereafter as possible, on Monday, December 30, 2019, in the Clay County Admin Bldg, Conference Room "B", 4th floor, 477 Houston St, Green Cove Springs, Florida. Bids will not be valid unless received by the proposal deadline.

All communications with the County regarding this Bid should be directed to Donna Fish, Purchasing Division, (904)278-3761 or by email: purchasing@claycountygov.com
The County reserves the right to waive formalities in any bid, to reject any or all bids with or without cause, including the lack of availability of adequate funds, regulatory agency requirements, and/or to accept the bid that, in its judgment, will be in the best interest of the County of Clay.

Interested vendors are advised that the Clay County Board of County Commissioners have a local preference policy. A preference to local businesses in procurement decisions provides support and growing opportunities to the local economy. The complete policy can be viewed at: <https://www.claycountygov.com/Home/ShowDocument?id=5272>.

FOLLOWING THE BID OPENING AND TABULATION, A "NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD BID" OR A "NOTICE OF REJECTION OF ALL BIDS" WILL BE POSTED ON THE INTERNET AT : <http://www.claycountygov.com/departments/purchasing-division/bcc-bid-tabs-current-bids-intent-bids-rejection-bids> THIS WEB PAGE CAN ALSO BE ACCESSED FROM THE HOMEPAGE OF THE COUNTY'S WEBSITE AT: www.claycountygov.com

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countygov.com BY FOLLOWING THE "NOTICE OF INTENT BIDS" LINK UNDER THE "BUSINESS" ROLLOVER BUTTON ON THE COUNTY'S HOMEPAGE. NO OTHER NOTICE WILL BE POSTED. PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS ARE NOTIFIED THAT THE FAILURE TO INCLUDE WITHIN THE SEALED BID ENVELOPE A PROPER BID BOND OR OTHER SECURITY APPROVED UNDER THE COUNTY'S PURCHASING POLICY, IF REQUIRED FOR THIS SOLICITATION, OR THE FAILURE TO FILE A WRITTEN PETITION INITIATING A FORMAL PROTEST PROCEEDING WITHIN THE TIMES AND IN THE MANNER PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 8. (N), OF SAID POLICY, SHALL CONSTITUTE A WAIVER OF THE RIGHT TO PROTEST THE BID SOLICITATION, ANY ADDENDUM THERETO, OR THE BID DECISION, AS APPLICABLE, AND TO INITIATE A FORMAL PROTEST PROCEEDING UNDER SAID POLICY. THE COUNTY'S PURCHASING POLICY CAN BE VIEWED AT THE COUNTY'S WEBSITE BY FOLLOWING THE APPROPRIATE LINKS FROM THE HOMEPAGE ADDRESS SET FORTH ABOVE. IF A PROSPECTIVE BIDDER IS IN DOUBT WHETHER THIS SOLICITATION REQUIRES A BID BOND, SUCH PROSPECTIVE BIDDER IS SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR MAKING APPROPRIATE INQUIRY.

A person or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for a public entity crime may not submit a bid on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity, may not submit a bid on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work, may not submit bids on leases of real property to a public entity, may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided in Section 287.017, Florida Statutes, for CATEGORY TWO for a period of 36 months from the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list. Legal 45320 published Dec 5, 2019 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
IN THE COUNTY COURT, FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL ACTION
CASE NO.: 2016-CC-0252

BRIAR OAK AT OAKLEAF PLANTATION TOWNHOMES OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not-for-profit corporation, Plaintiff,

ELISABETH K. SPRING, et al., Defendant.

NOTICE IS HEREBY given pursuant to a Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure dated October 30, 2017 and entered in Case No. 2016-CC-0252, of the County Court in and for Clay County, Florida wherein BRIAR OAK AT OAKLEAF PLANTATION TOWNHOMES OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., is the Plaintiff, and ELISABETH K. SPRINGS and MARK ORTIZ is/are the Defendant(s), I will sell to the highest bidder online at www.clay.realforeclose.com at 10:00 A.M. on the 8th day of January, 2020, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit: Lot 21B, BRIAR OAK AT OAKLEAF PLANTATION, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 47,

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Pages 34 through 39, of the public records of Clay County, Florida Parcel Identification Number: 06-04-25-007869-803-37
Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Dated this 25th day of November, 2019.

(seal)
TARA S GREEN
As Clerk of the Court
By: Robbin Tefft
as Deputy Clerk
Legal 45307 published Dec 5 and Dec 12, 2019 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 4TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2018-CA-001163
U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE OF THE CHALET SERIES III TRUST, Plaintiff,

THOMAS NOTTENKAMBER A/K/A THOMAS L. NOTTENKAMPER; TRACI NOTTENKAMPER A/K/A TRACI M. NOTTENKAMPER; et al, Defendants.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Final Judgment in Foreclosure and entered on November 13, 2019 in Case No. 2018-CA-001163 in the Circuit Court of the 4th Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein THOMAS NOTTENKAMBER A/K/A THOMAS L. NOTTENKAMPER; TRACI NOTTENKAMPER A/K/A TRACI M. NOTTENKAMPER; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF THOMAS NOTTENKAMBER A/K/A THOMAS L. NOTTENKAMPER; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF TRACI NOTTENKAMPER A/K/A TRACI M. NOTTENKAMPER; FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION; JUSTIN JEWELL are the Defendants. The Clerk of the Court, Tara S. Green will sell to the highest bidder for cash at https://clay.realforeclose.com on January 7, 2020 at 10:00 AM, following described real property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:
LOT 27 BLOCK 1 MINIATURE ACRES UNIT ONE, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 9 PAGE 12, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA

TOGETHER WITH THE MOBILE HOME IDENTIFIED AS I.D. #PH066236A AND PH066236B, and commonly known as 3623 Calvados Ave, Orange Park, FL 32065
ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE.

WITNESS my hand and the sale of the court on November 22, 2019
(seal)
TARA S. GREEN
As Clerk of the Circuit Court
Clay County, Florida
Jaimie Pippin
DEPUTY CLERK

IMPORTANT
IF YOU ARE A PERSON WITH A DISABILITY WHO NEED ANY ACCOMMODATION IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROCEEDING, YOU ARE ENTITLED, AT NO COST TO YOU, TO THE PROVISION OF CERTAIN ASSISTANCE. PLEASE CONTACT THE ADA COORDINATOR AT (904) 255-1695 OR CRTINTRP@COJ.NET AT LEAST 7 DAYS BEFORE YOUR SCHEDULED COURT

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APPEARANCE, OR IMMEDIATELY UPON RECEIVING THIS NOTIFICATION IF THE TIME BEFORE THE SCHEDULED APPEARANCE IS LESS THAN 7 DAYS; IF YOU HEARING OR VOICE IMPAIRED, CALL 711.
Legal 45291 published Nov 28 and Dec 5, 2019 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO.: 2016-CA-000719
BRANCH BANKING AND TRUST COMPANY Plaintiff,

MICHAEL MILLER A/K/A MICHAEL THOMAS MILLER, et al Defendants.

RE-NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Granting Plaintiff's Motion to Reschedule Foreclosure Sale filed October 30, 2019 and entered in Case No. 2016-CA-000719 of the Circuit Court of the FOURTH Judicial Circuit in and for CLAY COUNTY, Florida, wherein BRANCH BANKING AND TRUST COMPANY is Plaintiff, and MICHAEL MILLER A/K/A MICHAEL THOMAS MILLER, et al are Defendants, the clerk, Tara S. Green, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, beginning at 10:00 a.m. www.clay.realforeclose.com, in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes, on the 14th day of January, 2020, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

Lot 9, Windowover Courts, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 19, Page 66 of the Public Records of Clay County, Florida.
Any person claiming an interest in the surplus funds from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.

Dated at Green Cove Springs, CLAY COUNTY, Florida, this 25th day of November, 2019.

(seal)
Tara S. Green
Clerk of said Circuit Court
By: Stacie Towns
As Deputy Clerk

If you are are person with a disability who needs any accommodation to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator at crtintrp@coj.net or (904) 255-1695 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than seven (7) days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.
Legal 45305 published Dec 5 and Dec 12, 2019 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper ph# 75877

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION
CASE NO. 2018-CA-001267
PINGORA LOAN SERVICING, LLC, Plaintiff,

ROBERT V. GOMEZ A/K/A ROBERT GOMEZ, et al., Defendants.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on October 16, 2019 in Civil Case No. 2018-CA-001267 of the Circuit Court of the FOURTH Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Green Cove Springs, Florida, the Clerk of Court will sell to the highest and best

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bidder for cash at www.Clay.RealForeclose.com in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes on the 17th day of December, 2019, at 10:00 AM on the following described property as set forth in said Summary Final Judgment, to-wit:

LOT NO. 6A OF COVENTRY AT OAKLEAF PLANTATION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 54 AT PAGE 38 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens, must file a claim before the clerk reports the surplus as unclaimed.
Dated this 16th day of October, 2019.

(seal)
TARA S. GREEN
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
As Clerk of the Court
BY: Stacie Towns
Deputy Clerk

If you are a person with a disability who needs an accommodation in order to access court facilities or participate in a court proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. To request such an accommodation, please contact Court Administration at least three business days prior to the required service by using one of the following methods: Phone - (904) 630-2564; Fax - (904) 630-1146; TTD/TTY - (800) 955-8770 (Florida Relay Service). E-Mail - crtintrp@coj.net.
Legal 45296 published Nov 28 and Dec 5, 2019 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper 6336399

NOTICE OF SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY CIVIL DIVISION

CASE NO.: 2018-CA-001316
U.S. BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR NRZ PASS-THROUGH TRUST IV, Plaintiff,

GLORIA E. COLEMAN, et al Defendants

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the above-styled cause, in the Circuit Court of Clay County, Florida, the clerk of the Circuit Court will sell the property situate in clay county, Florida, described as: SEE ATTACHED LEGAL DESCRIPTION EXHIBIT X at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, at www.Clay.realforeclose.com at 10:00 am on March 31, 2020.

ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FUNDS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS, MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 45.031(1)(a), FLORIDA STATUTES.
DATED this 14th day of November, 2019.

(seal)
Tara S. Green
Clerk of Circuit Court
By Rebecca Crews
Deputy Clerk

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact ADA Coordinator, at crtintrp@coj.net or (904) 630-2564 at least seven (7) days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than seven (7) days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

Exhibit "X"
A portion of land in the NE 1/4 of

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Section 14, Township 6 South, Range 25 East, Clay County, Florida; being more particularly described as follows: Commence at the NW corner of the NE 1/4 of said Section 14 and run East along the North line of said Section 14 a distance of 1402.0 feet; thence South 0° 06' East a distance of 922.65 feet; thence South 79° 20' East a distance of 313.0 feet to the Point of Beginning; Thence continue South 79° 20' East a distance of 105.0 feet thence South 0° 11' West a distance of 208.0 feet; thence North 79° 20' West a distance of 105.0 feet thence North 0° 11' East a distance of 208.0 feet to the Point of Beginning, containing 0.49 acre more or less. The above described lands being the Easterly 1/2 of land described in O.R. Book 59; Page 133 of the current Public Records of Clay County, Florida. Legal description for 30 feet easement for ingress and egress over and across O. R. Book 59, Page 133 and O. R. Book 59, Page 142 of the Public Records of Clay County, Florida. Commence at the NW corner of the NE 1/4 of Section 14 Township 6 South, Range 25 East; Thence running East along said Section line a distance of 1402.0 feet; thence running South 0° 06' East a distance of 922.65 feet; thence running South 0° 11' West a distance of 100.40 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence North 09° 03' East a distance of 204.57 feet, thence North 04° 34' 16" East a distance of 103.74 feet to the Westerly line of the above described land. Thence South 0° 11' West along said Westerly line a distance of 30.0 feet; Thence South 04° 34' 16" West a distance of 103.74 feet; Thence South 09° 03' West a distance of 204.57 feet; Thence North 0° 11' East a distance of 30.0 feet to the Point of Beginning. Legal 45243 published Nov 28 and Dec 5, 2019 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO.: 2018-CA-000674
WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. Plaintiff,

AMANDA J. BYRON, et al



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