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Hundreds of jobs available in the county

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ORANGE PARK – Driving on roadways like County Road 220, Blanding Boulevard, or U.S. Highway 17 in Clay County, you'll see a lot of help wanted and now hiring signs.

Millions of jobs have been lost or furloughed over the past several months by the COVID-19 pandemic. After two phased reopening of the state, however, the opposite effect is also being seen. A lot of companies that have reopened now need

SEE HELP, 21



Signs begging for help are all over Clay County, including this Larry's Giant Subs on Fleming Island.



First day of school

Students, teachers happy to be back in the classroom

STAFF PHOTO BY DON COBLE

A student at Fleming Island Elementary waves at Clay County Superintendent David Broskie on the first day of school last Tuesday. About 30,000 children returned to traditional classrooms for the first time in five months.

Clay County District celebrates first day on campus since COVID-19 shutdown five months ago

By Don Coble
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FLEMING ISLAND – The first bell of the schoolyear at Fleming Island Elementary rang shortly after 8:30 Tuesday morning. Moments later, students, teachers and staff were welcomed with a thunderous "Good morning!" from principal Jennifer Collins.

Her voice was filled with excitement

Clay County goes back to school

See more first day of school page 14 & 15.



and energy. Months of frustration, isolation and preparation finally ended when 550 students returned to the classroom and another 150 joined online classrooms.

"I've been waiting five months for this," she said. "I've got goosebumps."

About 30,000 students went to their traditional schools on the first day, and another 9,000 opted to take classes virtually as a precaution to the COVID-19 pandemic, Superintendent David Broskie said.

The hallways at Fleming Island

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TDC hopes future plans will offset shortfall

By Wesley LeBlanc
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CLAY COUNTY – Bed tax collections from visitors are down 11.25% and the Tourism Development Council now faces a 30% shortfall to its budget.

The ongoing COVID-19 pandemic has hit Clay County's tourism especially hard. Fewer people are traveling, which means less people are sleeping in county hotels and spending tourist dollars at county businesses.

TDC officials, however, are remaining optimistic by formulating an aggressive plan for the future.

"Even if we experience the worst month of collections so far that we've had, we still come very close to meeting budget so that's the good news," tourism director Kimberly Morgan said during the Aug. 19 meeting. "We've been very conservative, but this is better than our worst-case scenario. It's still not great...but it is better than what we were talking about in March."

Morgan said with bed tax collections down, the TDC is looking at taking a 28.58% hit. She said this translates to \$813,942 collected so far this year. The TDC is estimating to end the fiscal year somewhere in between \$850,000 and \$900,000 as there are still roughly six weeks of collections to account for as the fiscal year ends in September.

"It should've been about \$1.2 million... and it looks like we'll come in between \$850,000 and \$900,000," TDC chairman Mike Cella said.

The TDC is looking to EVOK Advertising to help turn things around for next year. EVOK account executive Allison Parker



Personas



Friends and Families

There's no greater advocate for your attractions and events than happy, involved residents, who can influence new visitors in the form of friends and relatives. Keeping that community intimately involved with destination knowledge, marketing and benefits helps ensure success with this group.

Audience universe: 8.7mm



Skip-Gen

A relatively new classification, Skip-Gen refers to grandparents taking their grandchildren on vacation without the parents. These folks want to share and pass along their memories and experiences directly to their grandchildren.

Audience universe: 2.9mm



Day Trippers

Although not spending money on room nights yet, we need to continue to market to your daytrippers and lead them to become overnight visitors.

Audience universe: 5.7mm



















and Vice President Stewart Hill presented their marketing plan for the county during last week's meeting. Morgan said Hill, Parker and EVOK have an 18-month plan that will reposition Clay County as the place to travel to in 2020-21.

The plans goals include increasing awareness of Clay County and reasons to visit the area, creating new benchmarks and trends for the TDC to follow and keep track of, and driving visitation to not only the county's best spots, but to its tourism-related resources. This includes the county's new tourism website which will be going live soon.

"[Benchmarks] are just a fancy marketing world but it just means, 'What are the performance indicators that mean we're

doing a good job?' There's nothing worse than coming to the end of a plan and asking, 'Did it work?'" Hill said. "It should be very clear to you. As a destination, we're accountable to our residents and our government and we have to be able to say, 'We are spending your money wisely.'"

Parker said the strategies EVOK uses will focus on showing tourists why Clay County is a great place to visit, especially in this coronavirus world. She explained that much of what Clay County offers to tourists is already promotes socially-distancing: kayaking and fishing on the river, nature parks and trails, campgrounds and golf courses.

"We need to target that," Parker said. "We need people to see why Clay County

in Northeast Florida is the place to be over South Florida."

EVOK will do it through sponsored content, streaming radio, streaming TV, Authentic Florida marketing, Google ads, YouTube ads and Facebook ads. Will it be enough to help Clay County's tourism rise above falling bed tax collections amidst a pandemic is still up for debate but EVOK, Morgan and the TDC are excited about the future.

"We are a destination that can tap into the fact that people want to travel," Hill said. "They want to do something. They've been home for months and months and months, and a county like ours can deliver on that so let's make sure that we are a player."

Fun, food and flicks coming to Clay County Fairgrounds

Online tickets available for three-day event set for Sept. 25-27

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – The Clay County Fair is pleased to announce it will be hosting a weekend full of fair food, concerts and drive-in style movies Sept. 25-27th.

The fair-like event also will include Ferris Wheel rides, and guests will be required to follow these guidelines:

- Social distancing restrictions will be enforced. Masks will be required in food

lines and in restroom facilities. Attendees will be confined to social squares during concerts that are 10ft x 10ft and no more than 10 people per square.

Masks are not required within social squares. Guests attending movie nights will be allowed out of their vehicle but must stay within their parking space. No masks will be required within their space.

- Tickets are sold on-online only. Food vendors will have food for sale on premises and prefer cards. Food menu available on our website.

- Music on the Midway is \$10 a carload. Sept.25-27 from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. A carload is defined as the amount of people legally allowed in a vehicle. The lineup includes: Friday – The Springs Church Worship Band, 11 a.m.; Lyndie Burris, noon; DJ Raggamuffin, 1 p.m.; Remedy Tree, 3 p.m.; and, Jamie Davis Band, 5 p.m.; Saturday – Mary Kate Country, 11 a.m.; Greener Grass, 1 p.m.; John Taylor Band, 3 p.m.; and, Mandalla Band, 5 p.m.; Sunday – Boatwright Bluegrass, 11 a.m.; Pink Paisleys, 1 p.m.; The Tattered Remnants, 3 p.m.; and, Dennis Lee Band, 5 p.m.

- Movies are \$30 a carload. On Friday, Sept. 25, "The Addams Family" will be playing, and on Saturday, Sept. 26, the "Sonic the Hedgehog" will be shown. Gates open at 7 p.m., and the movies starts at 9 p.m. •

We have 15-plus fair food vendors attending, come get your fair food fix!

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The Clay County Agriculture Fair is scheduled for April 1-10 next year.

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Cook meeting with CCSO employees, deputies to enhance transition as new sheriff

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CLAY COUNTY – Michelle Cook is feeling satisfied after her recent win in the Clay County Sheriff's race.

"I woke up every morning and campaigned as if I was in last place," she said. "For me, it was never a given; it was something that had to be earned."

Now that the hard-fought victory has been earned, it's time for the new sheriff-elect to get to work.

Cook spent Monday at the Clay County Sheriff's Office meeting with the men and women of the agency and to get to know them.

Cook has some priorities she wants want to implement once she steps fully into the job of sheriff. Her top three are reviewing and balancing the budget and instituting the part-time officer and volunteer programs.

"I'll go back to what I campaigned on," said Cook. "We have to begin preparing for growth [in Clay County]. And that will include a very robust volunteer program and



Sheriff Michelle Cook

a part-time officer program. I'm also very interested in making sure that the budget aligns with the needs of the county and the agency."

Cook's idea for the use of part-time of-

"I just feel incredibly blessed and honored that I was able to not only be born here but come full-circle back around and now serve as the Clay County Sheriff. It's just a huge honor for me. I look forward to serving each and every one of you..."

ficers is one that would help in maintaining a fiscally responsible budget while meeting the manpower needs for policing the county. Part-time officers, according to Cook, are fully sworn and certified law enforcement professionals who may have retired or gone into a different profession who still have an interest in serving their community and would work only up to 29 hours a week.

She also says that while she is focused on the platform that she ran on, like any good leader, she is open to listening to a good idea – even if it came from one of her competitors.

Outside of the sheriff's office, Cook has some issues within the county on which she will also focus.

"The drugs and human trafficking are

a priority that we need to stay on top of," said Cook. "And again, preparing for the phenomenal amount of growth that we're going to be seeing here in the next couple of years [with the completion of the First Coast Expressway]."

Cook and her team are beginning to evaluate everything.

"We're going to take a real hard look at what's been working and what we can improve on," she said.

Overall, Cook is extremely excited.

"I just feel incredibly blessed and honored that I was able to not only be born here but come full-circle back around and now serve as the Clay County Sheriff. It's just a huge honor for me. I look forward to serving each and every one of you," she said.

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As RNC commences, Rick Scott drives home Donald Trump's message

By **A.G. Gancarski**
For FloridaPolitics

U.S. Sen. Rick Scott, though not speaking at the Republican National Convention, nonetheless is helping with messaging for the President's reelection bid, making the media rounds Monday, but delivering a unified message at every stop.

The Senator, on a Monday afternoon call with media that was arranged by the Donald Trump campaign, revisited familiar themes about the stark difference between the incumbent and Democratic nominee Joe Biden.

"There'll be lots of conversation about freedom, about democracy," Scott posited about the RNC. "It's going to be a real contrast to what you hear from the Democrats."

"Joe Biden's a nice guy, but he's a puppet for the left," Scott said.

Ahead of that press call, Scott did a friendly interview with Stuart Varney at Fox Business, in which he made similar points.

Trump, said Scott, "cared about the economy," "clearly cares about law enforcement," "he clearly cares about our military" and "cares about holding Communist China accountable."

Scott believes, regarding the President, "what he's doing or what he will do is exactly what America needs," and the contrast is Joe Biden, "a puppet for the radical left."

The Senator expressed excitement about the President's reelection, contrasting non-politicians like himself and Trump to Biden, a "career politician" who has been in office for 50 years.

"I won my race because I'm not a politician. President Trump won his race because he's not a career politician," Scott said. (In a Monday evening Newsmax TV segment he would recycle that language and describe Trump as a "newcomer to politics.")

Americans, said Scott, "don't believe in Medicare for All" or "socialism or the Green New Deal" or in "free college tuition."

"It sounds good," Scott said, "but someone's got to pay for this."

The Senator finished his media hits on ABC News, where he stayed as on message as at the previous stops, including saying he wasn't worried Trump could lose Florida despite being down in polls.

"If the polls had been right in 2016, we'd have President Hillary Clinton right now," Scott said.

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OPINIONS



Jimmie Johnson banks playoff hopes on Saturday's race at Daytona

By **Don Coble**
Managing Editor

DAYTONA BEACH – Jimmie Johnson is running out of time – and laps – to make history.

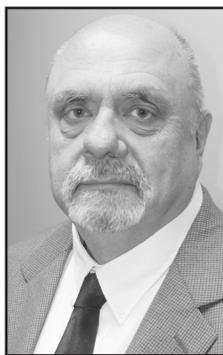
One of the most-accomplished drivers in NASCAR history hasn't been able to accept the laurels during a final season that was earned in a career that's included 83 victories and seven championships.

The COVID-19 pandemic robbed him of celebration. A 119-race winless streak has him on the brink of missing this year's playoffs and finishing the final 10 races in the rear-view mirror as the other championship contenders steal the spotlight.

Johnson currently is 17th in the standings. The top 16 move onto the playoffs. And there's only one race – Saturday's Coke Zero 400 at the Daytona International Speedway – to transfer into the 10-week main event.

On a good day, Daytona is a handful, especially when blanketed by sultry summer heat. Finishing in one piece often is considered a miracle. Johnson needs all of that ... and more.

To make it on points, the race for the final two postseason spots is down to three drivers – William Byron, Matt DiBenedetto and Johnson. Byron and DiBenedetto currently are above the cut-



Don Coble



PHOTO BY JARED C. TILTON/GETTY IMAGES

Crew chief Cliff Daniels, left, and Jimmie Johnson talk before last weekend's race at Dover, Del.

line; Johnson is out.

Not only does Johnson have to finish ahead of his closest competitors, he must hope nobody below the current cutline wins the race to fill one of the automatic spots into the playoffs. Think that can't happen? The last three winners in the summer Daytona race were Ricky Stenhouse Jr., Erik Jones and Justin Haley.

Unlike other legendary drivers like Richard Petty, Darrell Waltrip and Bill Elliott who worked well past their competitive prime, Johnson hasn't put his career on cruise control. He insists the sport hasn't left him behind. And he wants to go out on top.

"I never wanted to have a winless drought or have a winless season," Johnson said. "But I've worked through so many of those emotions over the last couple of years and also understand that there are factors that I can't control that have affected my performance."

Johnson pinned a lot of his hopes on last weekend's doubleheader at the Dover International Speedway. The one-mile

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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.

Inveigh: (in-VAY) a verb that means to vehemently complain or protest.

"The golfer had good reasons to inveigh against the bad luck which pursued him in the final round."

This week in history

Five years ago, 2015

- Sage Development Group announce its intention to build a \$20 million, 125,000-square-foot senior care facility called Superior Residences of Fleming Island.
- The Clay County Commission vote 5-0 to build a veteran's memorial at the Historical Triangle in Green Cove Springs.
- Keystone Heights launches a search to replace City Manager Terry Suggs, who resigned to accept a similar job in Palatka.

10 years ago, 2010

- School board member Charlie Van Zant is called into active duty for a one-year deployment to Afghanistan.
- Fleming Island's Stanley F. Pfening, who was part of the disbanded Clay County Charter Review Commission, calls out candidates who violate campaign sign ordinances.
- Lakeside Junior High teacher Trudi Lawless is among 75 educators from across the country to attend the Discovery Education Network event in Massachusetts.

20 years ago, 2000

- A third political forum at the Clay High gymnasium erupted into boos and catcalls as candidates for District 19 of the Florida House had acrimonious exchanges with each other.
- Former Keystone Heights Mayor William Monroe Beam dies of a stroke.
- Courtney Grimm and her horse East Street of Green Cove Springs wins three Ariat Nationals Medals of Excellence.

30 years ago, 1990

- The county commission approves plans to build a courthouse annex in Green

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Opinions ...

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Daytona

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concrete bowl was his favorite track and home to 11 of his career wins. Finishes of seventh and third got him back in the play-off mix, but anything short of a victory left Johnson in the dubious position of counting on Daytona for one final stand.

"It's going to be a really interesting race in Daytona from that respect," Johnson said. "But at the same time, it's still Daytona, and in my opinion, "the big one" or all the wrecks that can happen is really going to determine who makes it into the playoffs. We did the best that we could here [Dover] over these two days, had two respectable results, closed the gap. But now it's kind of in luck's hands or in fate's hands down in Daytona at the plate rate."

Johnson said he won't worry about Saturday's race since he's been in so many difficult spots before. But he's never been closing in on quitting as a fulltime driver before. There's still an opportunity to become the only eight-time champion in the sport's history.

"I guess actually maybe that's where experience will play through for me this weekend and I'll be able to keep my head on straight, think, keep my emotions in check and really race with a clear and open mind," he said.

Crew chief Chad Knaus was called the shots for every one of Johnson's Cup Series wins and championships. The tandem was separated after Johnson failed to win a race in 2018. Neither have won since.

Knaus now is Byron's crew chief and both teams work under the same roof at

Hendrick Motorsports.

"We've kind of seen it coming, right, the last couple weeks," Johnson said. "The thing that is very encouraging is we now have the 21 car [DiBenedetto] there in the mix, so we both can get through, and we'll just have to race smart and see how stages play out and then obviously the finish at the end of the race [this] weekend. You know, at the end of the day for the 24 car [Byron], I wish them the best. They're my teammates. That car and that number, Chad Knaus, William Byron, they're friends, they're teammates, and now that I know there's a path in for both of us, maybe I'll stop thinking so many bad thoughts about those guys and maybe we can both get in."

"With Chad on the box there, you just think of the layers of how it's odd and we're all fighting for that last spot in the playoffs."

Breaking the winless draught has been so consuming, Johnson said he hasn't had time to think about appearing at many tracks for the last time. That disconnect was compounded when the world was forced to shutdown in March by the pandemic. "Maybe someday down the road I'll look back and think of these last trips to tracks and moments, but I'm just wired a certain way, and I think all competitors are," Johnson said. "You keep looking forward and you don't spend much time putting a lot of emotional value into things."

"You know, I've been doing that all year long, and I'm running out of races so I guess at some point it'll probably hit me, but right now it's kind of business as usual and just focusing on the job ahead of me."

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Political signs create blights in Clay County

Editor:

I realize to run for political office, one must get their name and position out there. I love on Fleming Island and part of that reason is the natural, uncluttered non-commercial look, especially along U.S. (Highway) 17 from Pace Island area down to the Black Creek bridge.

I've noticed there are commercial businesses at major intersections that can only have signage along the secondary road that they face. (Example: Dick's Wings at 17 and East-West Parkway.)

Unlike Ameris Bank and VyStar that

have a little welcoming sign along U.S. 17 showing the main traffic what is behind the plant and vegetation screens they are enforced to have and maintain that nicely hides their businesses.

Now for the political signs that are outright layered and stacked side-by-side and on top of each other along our uncluttered roads. The same politicians placing them are the some ones promising to "improve" Clay County. They are not off to a very good start! I know their signs need visibility, but at what cost? Our major intersections are not appealing anymore.

A lone wolf sign is not only readable, but more appealing.

Thank you.
Radar

40 years ago, 1980

- The Green Cove Springs City Council approved a feasibility study to find a different supplier of electricity than JEA.

- The city council in Green Cove Springs agree to remove 60 streetlights to save energy.

- Plans are finalized for the third annual Festival of Lakes to be hold on Oct. 18 in the Theme Park in Keystone Heights.

History

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Cove Springs.

- Resident Charlotte Wright asked the Clay County School Board to develop a policy for out-of-state travel for all district employees.

- Officials break ground for a new Clay County Animal Control complex on State Road 16 west of Green Cove Springs.

Orange Park Historical Society hosting Veterans Day essay contest

ORANGE PARK – Despite the current heat and humidity the fall of the year is approaching. The Society is looking forward to our annual celebration of Veterans Day. Each year we host the Veterans Day Ceremony at the Veterans Memorial in Magnolia Cemetery.

At this time, the organization is uncertain how the ceremony will be structured to accommodate the necessary restrictions related to the COVID-19 virus, but it will work to resolve these issues.

In conjunction with the annual ceremony, we conduct an essay contest for Clay County students from grades 4-12. Contest winners will receive a cash prize and have

the opportunity to read their essay at the Veterans Day Ceremony on Nov. 11.

The categories for this year's contest are: "Why do we celebrate Veterans Day?" for grades 4-6. The essay should be between 300-500 words and the top prize is \$50. "Why do we honor our veterans?" for grades 7-8. Word count is 400-700, with a prize of \$75. And, "What does it mean to be a veteran?" for grads 9-12. Word count is 500-1,000, with a prize of \$100.

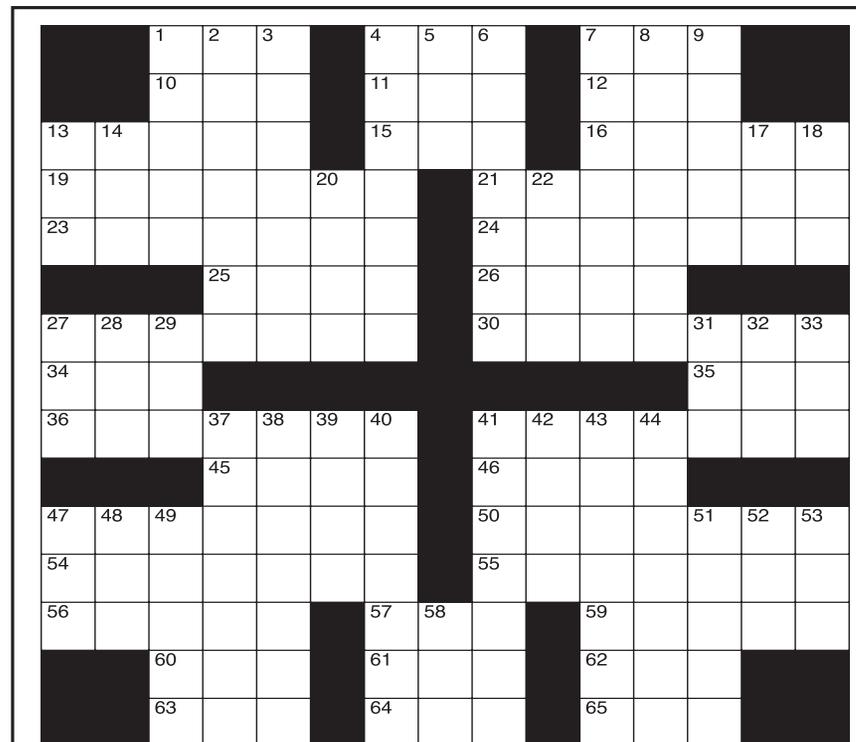
All essays are due Sept. Please visit the society's website, www.ophistory.org, to download a copy of the contest rules and an entry form.

Trump

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The Republican National Convention will have a Florida feel, with several speakers confirmed from the Sunshine State.

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CLUES ACROSS

1. Chop with an ax
4. Where a bachelor lives
7. Indicates near
10. Doctors' group
11. It's just a number
12. Type of bread
13. Lively ballroom dance
15. Charles S. Dutton TV series
16. A way to use up
19. Singular event
21. Home of Disney World
23. Minerals
24. Most insightful
25. Consult
26. In addition
27. Agents of downfall
30. Organizations
34. Supervises flying
35. Bar bill
36. Alfalfa
41. Dish soap
45. Witnesses
46. Ancient Greek City
47. Newspaper bigwigs
50. Discuss again

54. Small group with shared interests
55. Support
56. Popular sportcoat fabric
57. Take hold of
59. Pre-Mayan civilization
60. Woman (French)
61. Wheeled vehicle
62. Georgia rockers
63. Cold War player (abbr.)
64. Pitching stat
65. Attempt

CLUES DOWN

1. Czech monetary unit
2. Arousing intense feeling
3. Elks
4. Muscular weaknesses
5. Before the present
6. Figures out
7. Infinite
8. A low wall
9. Silly
13. Political organization
14. Used of a number or amount not specified

17. Divisions of the psyche
18. Denial
20. Ancient Iranian person
22. Count on
27. Popular sports league
28. Water (French)
29. Partner to cheese
31. When you hope to get there
32. Angry
33. One point east of due south
37. Respects
38. Organize anew
39. French wine grape
40. Intrinsic nature of something
41. Neural structures
42. Brews
43. Where ships take on cargo
44. Holiday season singer
47. Shock treatment
48. Popular average
49. Products
51. A type of bear
52. Utilize
53. Old world, new
58. Swiss river

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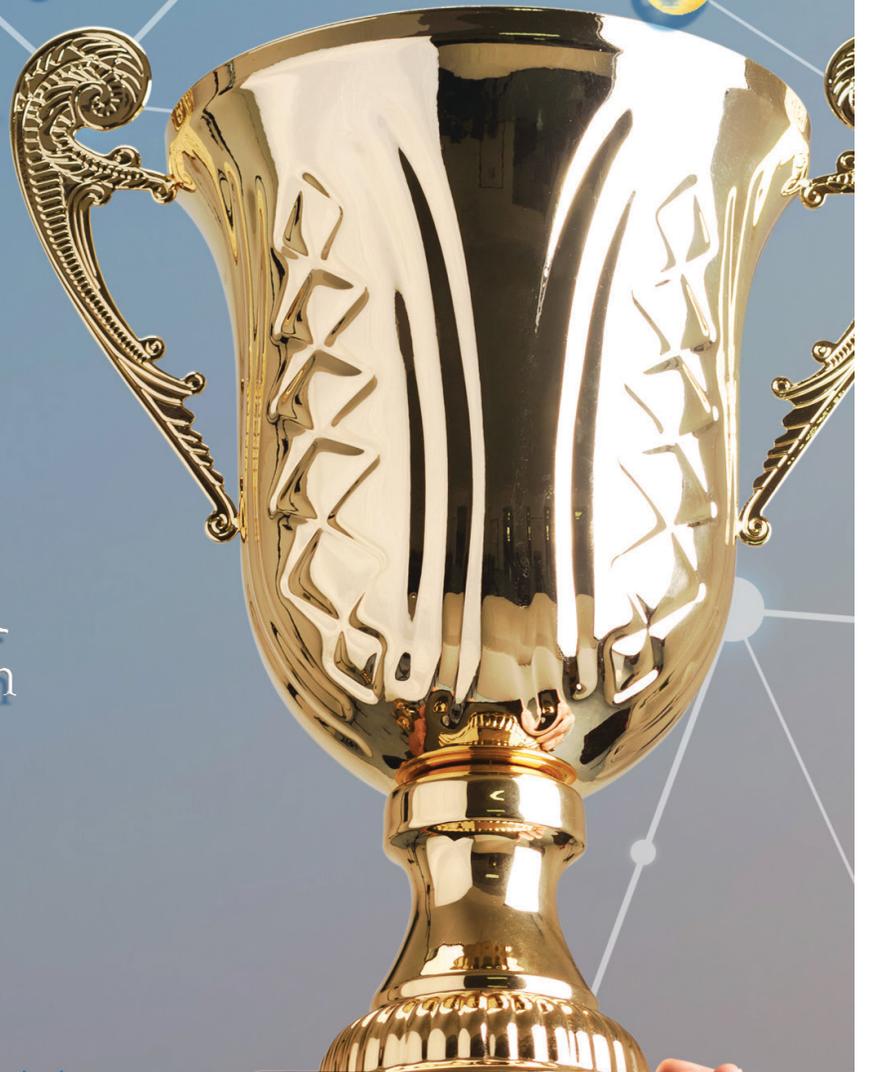
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Broskie too busy getting ready for first day of class to celebrate victory

By Wesley LeBlanc
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GREEN COVE SPRINGS – David Broskie was selected by the voters of the county to lead the district as the superintendent, but he's been so busy preparing for the 2020-21 school year he hasn't had time to think about his big win last week.

The voters of Clay County apparently recognized that devotion to the school district, its children and its staff and it earned Broskie another four years in the position. He's excited for what those years look like but his priorities were on the students and staff when school reopened its doors for classes on Tuesday.

"I feel great," Broskie said. "It's a nice feeling. To be honest, I don't even know what to say about it. I've been so focused on reopening schools that I haven't thought much about the campaign, but I'm thankful for the support of voters in Clay County."

Broskie said he's excited to lead Clay County schools with his more than 30 years of experience dedicated to the school district.

He's served as a teacher, a coach, an assistant principal and assistant superintendent, and he looks forward to using all of that experience to elevate the district to new heights.

He said it's his tenure that guided him



David Broskie

through what is the most challenging time in Clay County school history.

It's one thing to reopen schools amidst the coronavirus pandemic. It's another thing to help 9,000 students transition to a completely-online learning experience.

"School will be different and our district will have to adjust to what appears to

"I feel great ... It's a nice feeling. To be honest, I don't even know what to say about it. I've been so focused on reopening schools that I haven't thought much about the campaign, but I'm thankful for the support of voters in Clay County."

be our new normal for now," Broskie said. "We can't wait for students to come back to school. We've also had roughly 9,000 students choose an online learning platform. That's roughly the equivalent of four new high schools or nine new elementary schools.

"It's been a major undertaking for the district but I'm very proud of where we are and our ability to pivot like this in such a challenging time."

Broskie has been juggling reopening brick and mortar schools while helping thousands of students transition into an online environment, which is why his campaign wasn't necessarily at the forefront of his mind. He said working with parents, staff and students to prepare for the school year was his priority, not the election.

"We've been at several schools visiting with teachers, staff and administrators and it's been overwhelmingly positive," Broskie said. "Our teachers are ready to get back to teaching."

School will look different though because of the COVID-19 pandemic. Students will be socially distanced, masks will be worn by third graders and up and recommended to students not yet in third grade, according to school board policy.

Cleanliness and sanitation will be more important than ever before.

As he looks to the future in his coming years as superintendent, Broskie said he looks forward to tackling the growth of the school district. He's anticipating more students in our future as the First Coast Expressway comes online, he said, and we as a district will need to address that growth.

Broskie is also excited to continue digging into the district's processes and finding ways to bring new improvements to it.

"That's part of the job," Broskie said. "You analyze each facet and make changes in order to improve customer service. We as a district will do that together. I'm so proud of the people that work within our district."



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Obituaries



Mason Edward "Ed" Wiggins, Sr.

Mason Edward "Ed" Wiggins, Sr., passed away on Thursday, August 13, 2020 at the age of 92.

He leaves behind Ann Bridget Conroy Wiggins, his beloved wife of 68 years; three daughters, Lucy, Eileen and Cathleen (Gary); two sons, Mason and Joseph; four grandsons, Ian (Brittany), Sean (Amanda), Bryant (Kayla), and Chris (Annie); a sister, Lency Michelle Wiggins Crews of Georgia; and, numerous nieces and nephews.

Ed was a native of Jacksonville. He served in the United States Air Force for 28 years, and after retirement, worked 17 years for the United States Postal Service. Ed was a veteran of both the Korean and Vietnam Wars. He was awarded the Bronze Star for his service in Vietnam.

Ed was a loving husband, father, grandfather, brother and uncle, and the quintessential family man -- his greatest happiness was when he was with his wife, children and grandchildren.

All of his children say, "we were so blessed to have him as our Daddy, he was a good, kind, generous man who loved his family and was very much loved by his family. We will miss him greatly."

A viewing will be held on Friday, August 28 at Hardage-Giddens Holly Hill Funeral Home, 3601 Old Jennings Road, Middleburg, from 6:00 - 8:00 pm.

Funeral services will be on Saturday, August 29 at St Luke Catholic Church, 1606 Blanding Blvd., Middleburg, at 1:00 pm. Reception to follow in the church hall.

Please post words of comfort at www.hollyhillfunerals.com.

Masks and social distancing guidelines will be observed.

Donald Edward Veitch

Donald Edward Veitch, 97, of Green Cove Springs, FL passed away August 24, 2020. He was born February 10, 1923 in Kingston, Jamaica to the late David Veitch and Christina Walker Veitch. Donald was a flying officer for the Royal Air Force and served in World War II.

Donald is preceded in death by his parents; wife, Jean Veitch; and daughter, Jill Diane Veitch.

He is survived by his children, David Ian Veitch (Georgia), Wayne Donald Veitch (Cindy), and Deborah Foss (Jim); grandchildren, Chrissy Gregory (Lee), Travis Veitch, Michelle Vermillion (Gordy Haab), and LuAnne Veitch; great-grandchildren, Emma and Keaton Gregory; brothers, Robert and George Veitch; and several nieces and nephews. Please sign the family's online guestbook at www.broadusraines.com.

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Donald Edward Veitch



Laura Estelle Osborne

Laura Estelle Osborne, 91, of Orange Park, FL, passed away August 20, 2020

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Damon Henry Stewart

Damon Henry Stewart, 93 of Middleburg, FL passed away August 23, 2020.

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Community Calendar

LAKE REGION KIWANIS CLUB: will meet Aug. 27 at 7:30 a.m. at Johnny's BBQ, 7411 State Road 21, Keystone Heights.

CLAY COUNTY DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE: will meet Aug. 27 at 10 a.m. at the Zoning Department Conference room, Administration Building, third floor, 477 Houston St. in Green Cove Springs.

CLAY ACTION COALITION: will meet Aug. 27 at noon on Zoom.

ORANGE PARK TOWN COUNCIL: will meet on Sept. 1 at 5:30 p.m. at Town Hall, 2042 Park Ave.

CLAY COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION: will meet Sept. 1 at 7 p.m. at the fourth floor of Administration Building, 477 Houston St., Green Cove Springs.

GREEN COVE SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL: will meet on Sept. 1 at 7 p.m. at City Hall, 321 Walnut St., Green Cove Springs.

HEALTH CARE FOR HOMELESS VETERANS: is Sept. 1 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.

LAKE REGION KIWANIS CLUB: will meet Sept. 3 at 7:30 a.m. at Johnny's BBQ, 7411 State Road 21, Keystone Heights.

CLAY COUNTY DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE: will meet Sept. 3 at 10 a.m. at the Zoning Department Conference room, Administration Building, third floor, 477 Houston St. in Green Cove Springs.

GARDEN CLUB OF MIDDLEBURG: will meet Sept. 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.

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS CITY COUNCIL: will meet Sept. 7 at 6 p.m. at City Hall, 555 S. Lawrence St.

CLAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS: will meet on Sept. 8 10 at 4 p.m. at the fourth floor of Administration Building, 477 Houston St., Green Cove Springs.

LAKE REGION KIWANIS CLUB: will meet Sept. 10 at 7:30 a.m. at Johnny's BBQ, 7411 State Road 21, Keystone Heights.

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

AMERICAN BUSINESS WOMEN'S

ASSOCIATION-ORANGE PARK CHAPTER: will meet Sept. 15 from 6 p.m.-8 p.m. at the Club Continental, 2143 Astor St., Orange Park.

ORANGE PARK TOWN COUNCIL: will meet on Sept. 16 at 5:30 p.m. at Town Hall, 2042 Park Ave.

GREEN COVE SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL: will meet on Sept. 16 at 7 p.m. at City Hall, 321 Walnut St., Green Cove Springs.

CLAY SAFETYNET ALLIANCE: will meet Sept. 17 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.

CLAY COUNTY DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE: will meet Sept. 17 at 10 a.m. at the Zoning Department Conference room, Administration Building, third floor, 477 Houston St. in Green Cove Springs.

LAKE REGION KIWANIS CLUB: will meet Sept. 17 at 6 p.m. at Clyde's Cozy Corner Café, 195 S. Lawrence Blvd., Keystone Heights.

CLAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS: will meet on Sept. 22 at 4 p.m. at the fourth floor of Administration Building, 477 Houston St., Green Cove Springs.

LAKE REGION KIWANIS CLUB: will meet Sept. 24 at 7:30 a.m. at Johnny's BBQ, 7411 State Road 21, Keystone Heights.

CLAY COUNTY DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE: will meet Sept. 24 at 10 a.m. at the Zoning Department Conference room, Administration Building, third floor, 477 Houston St. in Green Cove Springs.

LAKE REGION KIWANIS CLUB: will meet Oct. 1 at 7:30 a.m. at Johnny's BBQ, 7411 State Road 21, Keystone Heights.

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS CITY COUNCIL: will meet Oct. 5 at 6 p.m. at City Hall, 555 S. Lawrence St.

ORANGE PARK TOWN COUNCIL: will meet on Oct. 6 at 5:30 p.m. at Town Hall, 2042 Park Ave.

GREEN COVE SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL: will meet on Oct. 6 at 7 p.m. at City Hall, 321 Walnut St., Green Cove Springs.

LAKE REGION KIWANIS CLUB: will meet Oct. 8 at 7:30 a.m. at Johnny's BBQ, 7411 State Road 21, Keystone Heights.

CLAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS: will meet on Oct. 13 at 4 p.m. at the fourth floor of Administration Building, 477 Houston St., Green Cove Springs.

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BCC turns to state for CARES Act reimbursement

By Wesley LeBlanc
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GREEN COVE SPRINGS – The Board of County Commissioners is committed to \$10.6 million in CARES Act funding, and it has submitted its first request for reimbursement from the state.

The county already has been paid nearly \$9.5 million from the state as part of its CARES Act initiative, which is an act that gives local governments funding to dole out to local businesses, families, and government entities in need. Clay County has surpassed its original amount, but it did it with the understanding it would be

reimbursement. The county is now waiting for a show of good faith from the state.

“We’ll see if we get the million dollars and that’ll show if the state is good for the other 75%,” County manager Howard Wanamaker said. “We’ll keep an eye [on it] to make sure we don’t spend way over the \$9.5 million. This was a way to ask for that...reimbursable to ensure that the good



Howard Wanamaker

faith is there.”

Once the county knows the state intends to reimburse the county, it will proceed forward with additional CARES Act funding costs. CARES Act lead Troy Nagle

said the county is currently committed to \$10.6 million. With the request for reimbursement sent out, Nagle said the county is focusing on getting all individual applications in a near-complete or complete stage.

He said that about 30% of applications have been approved with many more near completion. They just need to submit a couple of additional documents. The 30% approved accounts for roughly \$2.4 million but the BCC has already approved individual spending up to \$3 million.

“We will continue to go to the \$3 million that was authorized [by the BCC]” Nagle said. “If we don’t get reimbursements back from the state, there will have to be some discussions we have to have.”

The county can’t ask for complete reimbursement until the fund is spent and approved.

“Until I spend it or until I’ve accounted for it as an encumbrance, I can’t ask the state to reimburse it,” Nagle said. “I can’t ask the state to reimburse me for money

we haven’t yet spent or money I don’t have a contract for. They’re not reimbursing you on the \$9.5 million they’ve already given you...just the money beyond that.”

In other business, the county appears to have received the greenlight for purchasing some buildings to be used for a new health department and an emergency preparations warehouse. It asked the CARES Act treasury if purchasing a building falls under the CARES Act’s umbrella and they were told if the county deems it a necessity, it will be approved.

Nagle said the warehouse and health department building are much higher in necessity than the recently-approved business incubator, which is the third building the BCC is looking to purchase. The incubator might raise more eyebrows when it comes to being deemed a necessity, Nagle said. It’s still a possibility but a new health department and emergency warehouse are what’s the BCC’s building priority.

“As we look at this on Sept. 8, we’ll look at this to see if it’s all necessary.”

Water management district has five tips to prevent flooding

Preparation ahead of storms the key to minimizing damage

CLAY COUNTY – As Florida keeps a close eye on a busy storm season in the tropics, there are five tips from the St. Johns River Water Management District to prepare for heavy rains from severe storms, including torrential rain from recent summer thunderstorms. By being proactive, homeowners can help protect themselves and their property from flooding.

- Report clogged culverts or slow-moving water in ditches to your local government to allow adequate time for maintenance or repairs before a storm.

- Keep grass clippings and other debris out of stormwater drainage systems to prevent clogging and loss of stormwater storage and treatment capacity. Stormwa-

ter systems help control flooding by slowing down surges and absorbing rainwater before it reaches water bodies.

- Clean out roof gutters and extend downspouts at least four feet from structures to keep water from ponding at the foundation.

- Build up the ground around the home to promote drainage away from the foundation.

- Bookmark useful webpages, including www.sjrwmd.com/storm, for links to flood statements and warnings, river stage and flooding data, and local government emergency contacts.

Links to the National Weather Service, Florida Division of Emergency Management and the U.S. Geological Survey’s interactive map of current conditions in the state are also available via the website at www.sjrwmd.com/data.



For general water level information and rainfall data, bookmark the district’s hydrologic data webpage. To know who to call when impacted by a storm, visit [\[md.com/localgovernments/flooding/#state-national\]\(http://www.sjrwmd.com/localgovernments/flooding/#state-national\).](http://www.sjrw-</p>
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NextGen Hearing uses technology to improve patients' ability to hear clearly

By Bruce Hope
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ORANGE PARK – Hearing aids have come a long way from the bulky, sometimes ill-fitting devices that dominated the market not so long ago.

NextGen Hearing on Park Avenue is providing high-tech, personalized testing, fitting and maintenance of hearing aid equipment.

"We have been here since November," said Jennifer Davis, Senior Patient Care Coordinator. "We specialize in hearing aids and doing hearing tests. We do next-generation hearing instruments."

Hearing aid technology, like most other device types, is continually advancing. These instruments have gotten smaller, better fitting and contain higher-level technology than ever before.

Many of the devices now have Bluetooth connectivity, which connects to a patient's mobile phone, allows for answering phone calls and listening to media, as well as the traditional functions of simply bettering the ability of the patient to hear. These hearing aids also come with an app which is installed on the phone to make user-level adjustments better.

"There's a hearing aid out right now that translates I believe 24 different lan-



Randy Massey

"I think you're going to find that some of the younger ones that are hearing impaired are going to work the technology a little bit more. But again, the simplicity is just the help. That's the name of the game in this business. Find out what they gotta do to hear better."

NextGen conducts the tests to identify exactly what a patient needs after being told how hearing issues are affecting their lifestyle.

Surprisingly, many of the patients are less concerned with the technological advancements of the equipment than its functionality.

"They don't have much to say, other than the fact of what they need," Massey says of patient feedback. "Most people that walk through that door, it hasn't changed since I started 20 years ago. All they want to do is hear."

Massey says that younger people and baby boomers are happier with the new technology in the equipment than their senior counterparts among the hearing impaired. "I think you're going to find that some of the younger ones that are hearing impaired are going to work the technology a little bit more. But again, the simplicity is just the help. That's the name of the game in this business. Find out what they gotta do to hear better."

guages into your ear," said Davis. "Obviously, there's a slight delay; a seven to ten-second delay. There's a lot of technology. I would say, every few months, there's always something bigger and better."

"I've been with these guys a few months," said Randy Massey, a hearing aid specialist who has been in the business for 20 years. "We've got a set way that we deal with patients; we take them through that and find out what it does take to help them."

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Suggs to retire after serving Clay County residents for 30 years

Longtime Property Appraiser to be replaced with Tracy Drake

By Bruce Hope
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GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Thirty years is a long time, but when you are doing what you love, time flies. Just ask Roger Suggs, who will turn over the reins as the Clay County Property Appraiser at the end of the year.

Suggs joined the Property Appraiser's office in 1990 and has been there ever since. He was the Assistant Property Appraiser until he was elected Appraiser in 2008 and officially took office in January of 2009.

"The job itself has been a blessing," Suggs said. "It's a big job. The property appraiser, as far as a government agency, has a big role in local government. The as-

essment role is something that all of the taxing authorities use to help them balance the budgets every year through the revenue that comes off the taxes – just the interaction with all of the folks that live in Clay County. Probably 75% of all the residential properties in Clay County have a homestead on them. Which means the people live here. They live here, they raise their families, so these are the people you see in the grocery store every day. I've enjoyed the interaction with the citizens. I've enjoyed the interaction with local government. It's been a fantastic opportunity."

Tracy Drake, the current Assistant Property Appraiser, will take over on Jan. 5. He has worked with Suggs at the office since 1993 and as his assistant since 2011.

"Roger is arguably the most knowledgeable person as it relates to Ad Valorem tax that I've ever met," said Drake. "Very professional, very thorough, very fair. I think



Roger Suggs

what I've learned from working with Roger is... the one thing he's always instilled in the staff is to be fair and to treat the taxpayers with respect and understanding that they probably have limited understanding of what we do. He'd always tell us to listen to the taxpayer and be fair." Drake said Suggs has also set a very high standard that has made all the employees of the better by working with him.

"He's a very humble guy," said Drake. "He loves the county. He's very appreciative of the fact that he's earned a good living that will provide him with an oppor-

tunity to retire well. He's got a good sense of humor. He really does. He's one of those people I think you have to get to know a little bit, but a great sense of humor once you know him."

Suggs is proud of the improvement that's taken place during his tenure. As of now, there is only one person at the office who was there when he started.

"Watching the staff at the Property Appraiser's Office just get more and more

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Basket Life connects new residents with local businesses

Heislars fill baskets with goods, information from Clay County

By Bruce Hope
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MIDDLEBURG – “Welcome to the neighborhood!” That’s the greeting that new homeowners receive from local photographer Dana Heisler and her husband Chris, owners of Basket Life, give to new members of the community.

Basket Life is a new company, currently based out of the Heisler’s Middleburg home. They prepare welcome baskets for the new residents and fill them with useful information from local businesses.

“Our slogan is: ‘Connecting People One Basket At A Time,’” said Heisler. “And our goal is to deliver sponsored baskets to new homeowners. We do that because we want to help businesses.”

Businesses in the area pay Basket Life to have their information, or a small gift placed into baskets and delivered to the new homeowners. These aren’t custom gift baskets.

“We put area quality businesses in the basket. Their goal is to help new homeowners connect,” she said. “When you move and need a painter, or you need a doctor, or a new lawn guy, or even a new CPA because you don’t want to work with your CPA remotely, those kinds of businesses will be in the basket.”

Those, among others, are the type of businesses that are included in the baskets. Heisler says gyms also love being included in the baskets. She also provides

information from the Clay Chamber of Commerce, the tourism department, and even churches. Also included is a copy of the Clay Today newspaper.

“The whole idea is to welcome the new homeowner,” she said.

Businesses pay to be a part of the baskets in the form of advertising. Nonprofits, however, such as the churches, don’t. The contents of the baskets also vary by zip code.

The Heislars are concerned about the general lack of connections among people in different communities.

“We knew, and we saw what was happening in our community and lots of communities,” said Heisler. “The lack of connections is happening all over the place. What I loved about this is that it helps with those connections.”

“Our whole mindset from the beginning in whatever businesses we’ve done, is to be focused on helping people out, and to be business focused in helping other businesses and helping the community,” said Chris Heisler. “That’s what it’s all about for us, and doing so, now we feel like we’ve found a way to -especially in these times- to help businesses reconnect with people with whom they would have lost touch otherwise, and a neat way to do that is with these welcome baskets.”

The baskets are usually delivered within 30 days of the new resident’s move in.

The Heislars already have lots of busi-



Dana and Chris Heisler

ness connections, many of them gained through Dana’s photography work. Also, they attend area networking events.

Basket Life is an innovative approach to connecting, expanding and vetting the community for the residents and business-

es. The company is seeing success so far.

Their first delivery took place Saturday; they packed more than 100 baskets.

With Basket Life, new residents in the area have one leg up when it comes to getting comfortably assimilated.

Suggs from page 11

professional and better at their job; it’s rewarding from a mentor point of view to see that happen.”

Suggs has dealt with a lot over the years, and like anyone else who is stepping away from a lifelong occupation, has things he will and won’t miss.

He doesn’t expect to close his eyes at night and see numbers or pieces of property dancing in front of him. He’s spent a lot of time over the years worrying about whether or not everything on the tax

roll is correct. Whether all the t’s were crossed, and I’s were dotted will no longer be a concern for him. He does expect to miss the job, though, because it’s the only thing he has ever done.

“I started in this career right out of high school, while I was going to junior college in 1979. So, it’s the only thing I’ve ever known. I’ll miss the job. I’ll miss the staff. I’ll miss all of those employees because we’ve been there for a long time,” he said.

Suggs has two grandsons, one of whom is a fishing fanatic. When he finally hangs it up, he foresees spending lots of time with his grandkids, bonding with their poles in the water.

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Undersheriff Ray Walden retires from CCSO after Daniels loses election

By Don Coble
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GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Clay County Sheriff Darryl Daniels' right-hand man left the department a day after his boss was defeated by Michelle Cook in the Republican Party primary on Aug. 18.

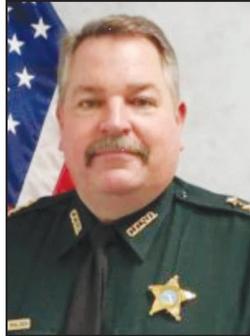
According to a document filed at the sheriff's office, Undersheriff Ray Walden will retire.

Although he's cleaned out his office at the sheriff's office, his retirement will become effective on Sept. 15.

Walden was the chief of staff who was responsible for more than 600 employ-

ees and a \$53.3 million budget, according to the agency's website. He was replaced by Director of Services Ricky Wright.

Daniels lost his bid for a second term after being arrested five days before the primary after he turned himself in on Aug. 13 to face on one charge of felony tamper-



Ray Walden

ing with evidence and three counts of misdemeanor filing false reports related to an extramarital affair he had with a former subordinate when they both worked at the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office Jail.

An investigation by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement and State Attorney's Office determined Daniels asked the IT department at the sheriff's office to destroy information on his cellphone that may have provided details of his affair. Daniels also was charged with three counts of making false claims to have the woman arrested for stalking. The Ocala State Attorney gave Daniels the choice of

resigning as sheriff and as a candidate or face charges. Daniels decided to fight.

Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis suspended Daniels a day later, and he appointed Matt Walsh of the Florida Department of Law Enforcement's Jacksonville Office as the interim sheriff on Aug. 15.

Cook then beat Daniels by 3,121 votes – nearly 8% – in a crowded field of six candidates.

Walden has been in law enforcement for 31 years. On this resignation/retirement form, Walden checked the "Other" box and wrote in "Retirement." At the bottom he wrote "resigned without cause."

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Children returned to the classroom on Tuesday and they were greeted by enthusiastic teachers. Students were schooled in social distancing, using hand sanitizer and wearing masks at Fleming Island Elementary. Some, including one kindergartner (left) were a little cautious, while others (below) eagerly showed their excitement. Principal Jennifer Collins (next page, middle left, started the day with a positive and lively announcement, while Superintendent David Broskie (next page, right) was pleased with how smoothly the district responded to protocols established to fight the COVID-19 pandemic.





Ken Brock hits the road again

Keystone veteran leaves legacy while moving to Idaho

By Don Coble
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KEYSTONE HEIGHTS – Ken Brock is going back to Coeur d’Alene, Idaho. But this time’s he’s driving – and he’s not coming back.

The Army veteran, who invigorated a community and became walking billboard for Wounded Warrior Project, wants to be close to his son, daughter and six grandchildren. The years of despondent isolation brought on Post Traumatic Stress Disorder is being replaced with a new sense of importance.

It’s time to open his arms and feel loved again.

“I lost a couple of decades with my son and daughter and a lifetime with my grand-



Kristal Leon



Ken Brock and Pam

children,” Brock said. “I’ve thought about this since I walked there a year ago. It’s time to be with my family.”

Brock will leave at the end of the month. But he will leave behind a legacy of courage and determination that grew in magnitude to be recognized on the floor of the U.S. House of Representatives when he left AMVETS Post 86 in Keystone Heights on a 2,654-mile journey to Idaho. Step-

by-step, he wanted to bring awareness to WWP’s programs for PTSD. But it turned into a six-month sojourn of self-discovery.

It’s a story that inspired Kristal Leon, a wife of a U.S. Navy sailor, to participate in the WWP’s Carry Forward virtual 5K along the Chicago lakefront. Leon learned of Brock’s walk nearly 18 months ago on Facebook, and she decided to extend Brock’s message.

“I followed his daughter-in-law on Facebook and that’s how I saw the story,” she said from her home in Northbrook, Illinois. “I checked in all the time. I’m the wife of a soldier and I do a blog here in the Chicago area. I think about Ken all the time and I decided to use my platform to share his story.”

Leon will participate in her own walk on Sept. 5. Before then, she will post story links about Brock on her blog, A Sailors Wife on Instagram and Facebook.

“People don’t realize what these [soldiers] go through,” she said. “I’m doing this walk for Ken and [his service dog] Pam.”

Brock said knowing his story still reverberates with fellow WWP veterans and families makes his walk seem even more worthwhile.

“I hope others will use my story to get the help that’s available,” he said. “I can’t tell you what it’s like to hear someone you’ve never met like Kristal wants to



Ken Brock, left, is greeted by his son Arek, at Coeur d’Alene, Idaho, city limits following a 2,654-mile from Keystone Heights.

share my story.”

Brock survived two weekends of deadly tornados in Alabama, weeks of devastating floods in the heartland, thunderstorms, snow and the threats of wild bears and

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Diane Hutchings' financial, public backgrounds add up to fulfilling role as tax collector

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CLAY COUNTY – Diane Hutchings always like crunching numbers. Whether it was when she worked 20 years in the banking and financial industry, or when she served on the Green Cove Springs City Council and the Clay County Board of Commissioners, she had a role in setting policies and budgets that affected every resident.

As the newly-elected county tax collector, Hutchings will step away from much of the public's eye to finish her public service career doing what she likes most – providing customer service.

"I've had it in the back of my mind for three years," Hutchings said of running for tax collector. "I come from a background where you do a lot of postings and balancing. In comparison to setting policies and setting a budget, it will be a very different job."

Hutchings decided to run after Jimmy Weeks announced his retirement after serving the county for 42 years – the last



Diane Hutchings

24 running the tax collector's office.

Hutchings won the Aug. 18 Republican Party primary against Ronnie Robinson. She was supposed to face write-in candi-

date Tom Platt in the Nov. 3 general election, but Platt withdrew shortly after last week's vote.

She will be sworn in on Jan. 5.

Hutchings already as met with the staff at her new post, and she came away with some ideas to "take what's really good and make it better." She's also visited the Nassau County Tax Collector's office to study their policies and systems, and she plans to work with other counties to create a possible collaboration to enhance services throughout the region.

"We may even share things with them they don't know," Hutchings said. "I will create a leadership team and we will focus on customer service."

While on the county council, Hutchings helped set taxes and millage rates for property owners. Now she will be in charge of sending the bills, collecting the money

and refining a process that makes the process run smoothly.

Hutchings spent six years on the Green Cove Springs City Council and left public office to work in the private sector for 20 years. She started with financial services at Barnett Bank, and she's worked with Saloman Smith Barney, Prudential Financial and was the Managing Director of First Florida Credit Union.

She was elected as a Clay County Commissioner in 2012, where she will continue to serve on the board until she takes her oath for her new job on Jan. 5.

She said it will be her last job.

"It's that time in life when it's your last career move," she said.

But for now, she's looking forward to crunching a lot of numbers.

"I'm really looking forward to this," she said. "It will be a lot more fun."

Garden Club of Orange Park: Dragonflies are helpful

ORANGE PARK – The often over looked dragonfly is an important member of our ecological community. Not only are dragonflies an important environmental indicator, they are a major help in controlling mosquitoes and other pest insects.

An adult dragonfly can eat hundreds of mosquitoes in a day. Not only does the adult dragonfly eat adult mosquitoes, they also eat mosquitoes in their larval state, a double whammy. In order for dragonflies to flourish, they need a healthy aquatic ecosystem.

Water quality is of major importance to their well-being since most of their lives are spent in or near water. By limiting the use of insecticides in or near water, we can help these helpful creatures. An abundance of dragonflies is a pretty good indicator of a healthy ecosystem.

The dragonfly has a three-stage life cycle; egg, nymph (larva) and adult. The



nymph stage is spent entirely in water, where the larva will eat anything smaller than itself. After a final molt, the nymph becomes an adult and begins its predator patrol.

Here in our state, there are more than 100 species of dragonflies. These three photos were taken recently in Clay County. There are many websites you can visit to find information about dragonflies since there are around 3,000 living species.

Brock

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ily four days ahead of town's Fourth of July parade.

His son, Arek, is a deputy with the Kootenai Sheriff's Office, was first to embrace his father at the Coeur d'Alene city line.

It took years – and a cross-country walk – for Brock to find the strength to be around family again. After waiting months to find an apartment, he decided to make the move.

"This is the last piece of the family thing in my life," Brock said. "I'll never be whole again. A lot of stuff happened in the military. But this is a good step."

Brock said he learned to face his fears during the walk. Instead of sitting at home and sheltering himself from the challenges of real-world issues, he taught himself to focus on creating solutions.

When the COVID-19 pandemic forced shutdowns throughout the world, Brock again found himself in seclusion. He vowed never to let the walls of doubt and

anxiety cave on him again.

"I love Keystone, but there's not a lot of things to do here, especially when everything is shut down," Brock said. "Sometimes I'd take a walk to Palatka [54 miles roundtrip] just to keep busy. I wasn't going to get back to sitting around and watching television all day again. That's when I decided I need to be with my family again."

His days soon will be filled with family dinners, watching grandchildren at the playground and, of course, long walks with Pam on the many wilderness trails.

"It will be hard to leave my mom and my brother behind, but I've got a lot of time to make up," Brock said.

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Waste Not Want Not back on the road with new truck

Community comes to the rescue of organization dedicated to fighting hunger, poverty

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ORANGE PARK – Local nonprofit Waste Not Want Not was eager to show off its new \$40,000 truck purchased with help from the community.

Waste Not Want Not's truck broke down for good back in April and the organization lost its main source of gathering and delivering food for months. The truck was responsible for transporting one million pounds of food each year. After weeks of fundraising within the Clay County community, the 501(c)(3) charity organization revealed its new truck to a crowd of dozens Tuesday, Aug. 25.

"We are a group of people that believes it's wrong for anyone to go hungry while food goes to waste," Executive Director Sandra Staudt-Killea said. "This new truck will help us accomplish that mission."

Waste Not Want Not prevents discarding food and other items that can be used to fight hunger and poverty, according to the group's mission. They do it by rescuing food every day from several sources and distributing it to local charitable organizations.

Staudt-Killea told a small crowd of the importance of the truck. She said half of all Waste Not Want Not food is transported and delivered by the truck. When the old truck broke down, the community stepped in.

Staudt-Killea said after learning the charity would need a new truck, it be-



gan to ask for donations on Facebook and throughout the community. The Orange Park Sunrise Rotary club stepped in to cover the cost of renting a new truck for three months.

Nimnicht Chevrolet caught wind of Waste Not Want Not's predicament and donated a very large sum, Staudt-Killea said. They were also able to put the new truck on hold for six weeks to give the charity enough time to raise the \$40,000 necessary to purchase it.

"Once we heard the story, we knew we had to get involved," Mike Watson of Nimnicht, who sold Waste Not the truck, said.

"We're so thankful for what they do and it's amazing how much good a single truck can do. It was the least we could do to help Waste Not in their mission."

Staudt-Killea said after the unveiling that she was "absolutely humbled" by the support and she's still blown away by the community's ability to show up in times like this.

She was especially surprised by all of the donations in light of the ongoing pandemic that has made financials stressful for many in Clay County.

Many of the donations that paid for the truck came from the 250 Waste Not vol-

unteers, but Staudt-Killea said others donated as well.

"It meant so much to see these people donating to us," Staudt-Killea said. "They had never volunteered for us or anything, but they still donated and I think that sings to how important the message of Waste Not is."

"Nobody should go hungry. If we can make a difference in people's lives, then we have succeeded, and even one person can make a difference. That's what's important to remember when facing such a task as feeding the hungry: you can make a difference."

FACEBOOK QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Residents eager to learn what to expect of new Sheriff Michelle Cook

By Wesley LeBlanc
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CLAY COUNTY – Michelle Cook soon will the mantle of Clay County Sheriff, and residents appear excited about the change.

Voters decide every four years who they deem fit to serve as the leader of local law enforcement. They chose Darryl Daniels in 2016 and four years later, they chose Cook. We asked Clay Today readers what they think about the new sheriff for the Facebook Question of the Week. While Cook seems to have support, although there are those who aren't so sure about her yet.

"Absolutely love that she was elected," resident Susan Soltys said posted. "Out with the bad, in with the good. She needs to clean house now."

Mike Porter believes Cook has already begun to clean house, saying she has plans to cancel some of "Daniel's wasteful spending." Teresa Sanday said she's ex-



Sheriff Michelle Cook

cited about having a sheriff with maternal instincts. She said instincts like those are especially helpful for the neighborhoods of Clay County as they need empathy and proactive solutions to problems.

Much of the talk for this week's Facebook Question of the Week centered on

some of the things Daniels had done in his tenure with the Clay County Sheriff's Office.

"I thought Sheriff Daniels and the CCSO were doing a fine job but was disappointed by his behavior," Domenic Musco said. "I also did not love some of his publicity antics around deputizing armed citizens. This felt like a grasp at attention for political reasons and not a practical solution."

"I'm optimistic that Sheriff Cook will do an assessment and keep all the good parts of the previous Sheriff's policies – engaging the community and ensuring we're safe and rooting out crime – but keep a Clay-centric focus."

Even some residents who didn't vote for her wish Cook well. Eric Newcom said he didn't vote for her but that he wishes her well. Amy Bachman-Cliett said she hopes Cook does a great job, despite not having voted for her.

There are those who aren't excited about Cook winning the election. Resident Rebecca Maxwell said that she's not "jumping for joy" because Cook failed to address what she sees as the top issue facing the community: racial tensions.

"Being put out as our new sheriff, race relations are extremely important – especially in this climate – and people of color shouldn't be fearful that the new sheriff has a track record of arresting men and women who don't look like her."

Others pointed out that they aren't happy about someone who doesn't currently live in the county winning the election. Porter Waldron said he doesn't like that Cook "has no [stake] in the county."

Despite the split feelings between residents, Cook will be the new sheriff and what she does over the next four years will determine how this conversation goes in 2024.

Donna's Law a big victory for Pace Center for Girls

Law removes statute of limitations for victims of sexual trauma

By Wesley LeBlanc
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ORANGE PARK – A new law is a big win for victims of sexual trauma and the Pace Center for Girls.

Donna's Law removes the statute of limitations associated with sexual abuse to victims younger than 18, and Pace CEO Mary Marx said this is a big win in the center's continual fight on behalf of women in the hands of their organization. This is because it gives women time they need to understand their trauma and the justice system the freedom to prosecute abusers.

"When someone is victimized by sexual abuse, they're often afraid or feeling perhaps threatened by their abuser," Marx said. "They might feel shame or feel as if it is their fault. People might ask why it took them so long to report their abuse? It's about coming to terms with that sexual trauma."

Marx said this can be especially difficult to do because people are often victimized by somebody they knew and trusted. Donna's Law came by way of Donna Hen-



drick, a woman who didn't report her sexual abuse for 40 years.

Marx said data shows one in four women will be sexually assaulted before the age of 18 and that number rises for Black people and it rises even higher for Native Americans. "That's why it's important to prosecute abusers," Marx said of the data. "That's part of the process of healing for victims. They need to be able to prosecute their abuser and see justice take place."

Pace said Donna's Law gives a stronger voice to women who speak out against their abusers. The law was passed just a

month after the 100-year anniversary of the ratification of the 19th Amendment, which gave women the right to vote. Florida, however, didn't ratify that amendment until 1969. Pace began in 1985 which is just 16 years after women obtained the right to vote.

Marx said Pace continued the fight for women's rights shortly after it began.

"Our founder was working with largely boys and some girls going into the juvenile justice system," Marx said. "What was driving girls into the system was very different than what was driving boys into the

system though. There was a history of victimization there."

"Judges were well-intended and they thought they were protecting girls by putting them in the system but it was actually harming their futures and our founder recognized that."

The founder, Vicki Burke, realized that the center needed a much more holistic approach to healing trauma and helping girls become successful. Trauma impacts everything, Marx said, and it's important to recognize that and give a voice and agency to the women beyond their trauma.

With Donna's Law passed, Pace said it will continue to advocate for additional legislative measures that often hold women back. Marx said direct filing is in their sights. Direct filing is where children are filed directly into the adult system, bypassing the juvenile system completely. She said the goal is to prevent this as it removes an important step in a child's reform process.

"A child's brain is still developing and there is still the opportunity to reform them," Marx said. "They need accountability and action which they won't necessarily find in the adult system. It wasn't designed for them but the juvenile system was and that's why we think they need to go through it."

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tion that is the virgin birth. But that the earthly life of Jesus would begin with a supernatural miracle is exactly in accord with God's entire plan. The Christian message is supernatural and from beginning to end it must be accepted by faith!

"Faith is the confidence that what we hope for will actually happen; it gives us assurance about things we cannot see." (Hebrews 11:1 ESV)

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School

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agement and health department worked tirelessly for five months to develop a reopening plan.

"We're blessed to have the partnership we have in the county," Ward said. "We been working on this since this began. This is the largest step back in the COVID-19 fight. Our goal is to protect the kids."

Officials had to create 51 unique plans to fit the intricacies of each campus, Broskie said.

"We spent all summer working on safety measures," he said. "Each school has an individualized plan and each plan is spe-

cific to the infrastructure of that school. Every cafeteria is different. Every school, every plan has to be slightly different. We think we put together a pretty good plan to mitigate the spread of the virus. We're hopeful for a great school year. Everyone's excited. I was out here in the classrooms, visiting with teachers. They're all excited to be here. The students, they're very excited, too. I don't have a biggest fear. I think miscommunication is an area for this particular situation. Everyone needs to be cognizant of the situation that we're in.

"It's important for everyone to see. All the steps are in place to make this as safe as possible environment for the students. In Clay County, roughly 76% of our parents

have chosen a brick and mortar option. They've clearly spoken this is the option they want for their students."

Each school has a plan if a student shows symptoms of the coronavirus.

"We have an isolation room for a student if displays a symptom of COVID – whether it be an increased fever, cough, etcetera," Broskie said. "There's a process in place to handle it."

Collins was relieved to hear the morning bell once again. She said it was an important step for families to enjoy some sense of normalcy.

"My biggest concern is I can't control my excitement, and neither can my teachers," she said. "Honestly, we've waited

five months for this. I have my own two kids who went back to school today. Are we going to have enough time to teach all the new procedures with things going on today? I can't contain that excitement. I got chills, I got tears when the kids walked back onto the school grounds."



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Three new officers join Green Cove Springs Police Department

Council amends Land Development Code to include emergency shelter, recreation center

By Bruce Hope
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GREEN COVE SPRINGS – The introduction and swearing in of three new officers of the Green Cove Springs Police Department highlighted the city council meeting Tuesday night.

Officers Terry Arnold, Josh Lee and Neal Newton were introduced and had their biographies read by Chief Derek Asdot. Following their introductions, they were sworn in and then had their badges pinned on by family members.

In the Public Hearings portion of the meeting, two readings of ordinances were done. The first was for the final reading of an ordinance to amend the Land Development Code to include the addition of definitions for Emergency Shelter and Recreational Facility. Also mentioned were amendments for permitted uses and special exceptions as well as supplemental regulations for emergency shelters. The motion for this ordinance was passed by unanimous vote.

The second ordinance was to amend the Gateway Corridor Commercial Zoning District by adding hospitals as a permitted use. Also, special exceptions for retail sale

of alcohol for off-premises consumption and gas pumps as an accessory use to a convenience store. Mayor Van Royal recused himself from this vote due to his position on a hospital board. The motion still passed.

In the consent agenda, all items passed.

Council Member Steven Kelley was absent from the meeting; all votes were decided on a count of four instead of the usual five.

In council business, the major item of discussion was the continuation of briefing the council on city sponsored and special events for the year 2020. The council decided the city won't hold the planned Veterans' Recognition Ceremony, which normally takes place during the Memorial Day festivities and had been rescheduled for Veterans' Day.

Also, Christmas on Walnut Street and the Christmas parade were cancelled. City staff has worked out a mixture of options to replace those events which will take into account health guidance for the public.

To replace the Veterans' Recognition ceremony, a tribute video of Veterans will be created by Tiffanie Reynolds.

City staff will put a personal mailbox in Spring Park where families can come with their children to drop off letters to Santa Claus. Instead of the Christmas parade, the city will focus on the house decorating contest this year. There will be three categories: residential, business and People's Choice. City residents will also be able to vote on their choices for the winners.

Wizards of Winter show coming to Thrasher-Horne

ORANGE PARK – The Wizards of Winter will bring their holiday concert to Thrasher-Horne Center on Friday, Dec. 4 at 7:30 pm.

The Wizards of Winter is a holiday rock event for the whole family, featuring former members of Classic Rock Bands- The Trans- Siberian Orchestra, Def Leppard, The Irish Tenors Rainbow, Blue Oyster Cult, Alice Cooper Band and others.

The Wizards of Winter will perform a holiday rock opera titled "The Christmas Dream." The story is based around the music of their self-titled CD, and their albums "The Magic of Winter" and "A Christmas Dream."

Wizards of Winter will bring their musical intensity, stage theatrics and holiday fun to ThrasherHorne Center this year. This 12-member ensemble boasts soaring vocal harmonies, precision string instrumentation, powerful percussion and stunning keyboard work, layered around a rich storyboard that evokes December's past.

The event is presented by Thrasher-Horne Center and sponsored by 96.1 WEJZ and 99.9 Gator Country.

Tickets for Wizards of Winter are currently on pre-sale to members. Public on sale will begin Sept. at 11 a.m. Committed to your safety, Thrasher-Horne Center is selling a limited number of tickets for our events in a socially distanced auditorium. Additional seats may open later as guidelines change. For more information on tickets or on the venue's safety protocols, visit THcenter.org or call (904) 276-6815.

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Startup Grind helps local businesses refine their sales pitches

Need to connect with customers more important now with COVID-19

By Wesley LeBlanc
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CLAY COUNTY – Business owners, prepare your pitches.

Being a business owner is difficult under normal circumstances, but it's harder when COVID-19 is making it harder for customers to peruse your shelves and pay for your services.

It's the perfect time to focus on refining your business' pitch and the Jacksonville Chapter of Startup Grind is looking to help.

"We're looking for startup founders, innovators, creators and business owners," Chapter Director Therese Gamble said. "They could have just an idea. Startup Grind is a platform for someone to test just an idea or what we call a minimum viable product. Our pitch events give them a chance to pitch it in front of a live audience to see if it's even worth their time and effort to launch and to determine how to refine what they have."

The event is Saturday, Aug. 29, and it's a three-hour virtual Startup Grind Pitch battle that starts at noon where participants first participate in a boot camp of sorts before pitching their business ideas. The events happen each month throughout the year and they are typically in-person at

places like the Jacksonville Zoo and other local establishments.

The boot camp is where founders and innovators can talk with professionals about their pitch and prepare it for the big digital stage. It's here that they'll learn Startup Grind's two guiding pitch principals: can it be repeated and is it scalable?

"If it's repeatable and scalable, then the traction and revenue streams will be there with investors," Gamble said. "It will draw an interest from them and that's ultimately the goal."

Gamble said those two principals align with Startup Grind's three values which are "make friends, not contacts," "give, don't take," and "help others before helping yourself." Startup Grind is the world's largest community of startups, founders, innovators and creators, Gamble said, and it's a place where diverse and like-minded individuals can come together to "connect, learn, teach, help, build and belong."

Gamble said Startup Grind is the next step and next level that comes after entrepreneurs work with their local business help centers like a chamber of commerce. It has partnerships, online media and content drops, and a reach of over 3.5 million people in more than 125 countries, and entrepreneurs in Startup Grind get access to that family of services.

"This is not your average entrepreneurial global community," Gamble said. "When you participate in a local chapter like ours,



Startup Grind's Theresa Gamble, middle, poses with two recent sales pitch battle winners.

you gain access to tables, relationships and rooms that you wouldn't get into on your own. That's what makes us different from, say, a chamber of commerce."

For those interested in this Saturday's Startup Grind pitch battle, you can go to startupgrind.com/jacksonville and register through the "events" page.

You can sign up to participate in just the boot camp, in just the pitch battle, or both. You can also register to just watch the event and learn from it as an audience

member.

The top three winners of the local pitch battle will go on to the global pitch competition. Gamble said those pitches will get marketing and an even wider breadth of tools, resources and services to prepare the pitch for the global stage.

"We are an organization dedicated to helping get your business, your idea, your pitch and your innovation off the ground," Gamble said. "It's not easy to do this alone and fortunately, you don't have to."

Help from page 1

people to work to try and get back to optimum productivity. Many employees have been unable to return to work due to having contracted the coronavirus or have been in contact with someone who has. Another factor having a significant influence on the inability to fill open positions has been the unemployment benefits boost that allows recipients to receive extra money on top of the standard maximum of \$275 weekly.

Between March 28 and July 31, that benefit grew by an additional \$600 weekly as part of the federal government's relief package to help unemployed workers could pay their bills. That amount prompted many to continue collecting checks instead of returning to a job that doesn't pay as much.

Super Cuts on C.R. 220 opened on May 11 and has had difficulty finding employ-



ees.

"When we first opened, we had an issue with people not wanting to come apply," said Taylor Bennington, the manager at that location. "So, then we did have to close the store [during the shutdown]. I've had the sign ["Now Hiring"] up for about two weeks now, and nobody's applied." Bennington has also heard the increased unemployment benefit is part of the reason

for the difficulty in getting applicants.

"That's what people are saying; that's the rumor," she said.

While that may be the case for some, not everyone is facing the same issues when looking for employees.

New Leaf Vapor Company on Blanding Blvd. is always accepting applications and also has a 'Now Hiring' sign posted outside of the shop.

"Right now, it's pretty much standard like we always do," said Ivy Narwhald, manager at the store. New Leaf typically accepts applications online and will email a prospective employee to set up a phone interview.

Cheyenne Granger is a new hire. She lost her previous job in April because of COVID-19 but was lucky enough to be contacted by the manager at New Leaf. She has been going to the shop for about four years now. Granger was receiving unemployment benefits when she first lost her job.

"I did [receive benefits] for about a month and a half, and then I just stopped getting it," she said. "I didn't get any information about it; it just stopped. And whenever I tried to get in contact with the office about that, I never got any return phone calls or emails." Granger said that she was receiving about \$400 weekly, which is above the standard threshold.

"That was a big income for my household," she said.

The stimulus package ran out three weeks ago and talks in Washington, D.C., have stalled about replacing it. That's sparked interest for some to return to work.

Chris Rennard is a manager for Pizza Hut on U.S. 17 on Fleming Island.

"We're hiring a bunch of people at the moment," he said. "It's going really good." Rennard says that he hasn't experienced people not wanting to work because of better pay on unemployment.

Police Briefs



CCSO: Middleburg custodian arrested for selling drugs in school parking lot

MIDDLEBURG – A 30-year-old custodian at Middleburg High was arrested on Aug. 21 after she sold 20 Suboxone pills to an informant in the school's parking lot, the Clay County Sheriff's Office said.

Kristen Michelle Howard, of Middleburg, was charged with the sale and delivery of a Schedule II prescription within 1,000 feet of a school zone. Her bond was set at \$50,003.

According to the arrest report, the informant and an undercover detective met Howard on Aug. 19 in the parking lot to buy \$200 worth of pills. The money was provided by the Narcotics Task Force.



Kristen Howard

Woman held without bond after nights of burglaries, carjacking

ORANGE PARK – A woman who was investigated for having several cellphones,

bags, debit and credit cards and identifications belonging to other people eventually was charged with armed robbery and carjacking on Aug. 22 after a man was robbed of his BMW at gunpoint.

Kimberly Pearlean Bridges, 23, of Alachua, was ordered to remain in the Clay County Jail without bond.

The man had just arrived at his job at Orange Park Medical Center when another man robbed him with a handgun of this belongings and car in the parking lot at 5:45 a.m. Clay County Sheriff's Office deputies conducted a traffic stop of a Hyundai after the victim said he saw a white car also leaving the scene. When they found the items cluttered throughout the car, deputies sealed the car for further investigation and took two women occupants to the Orange Park substation.

Bridges admitted the three had burglarized more than 100 cars in Jacksonville on Aug. 21. She said the man who carjacked the victim said he was a member of the "33rd Street Gang."

CCSO said Bridges told them she and another woman waited in the parking lot until their accomplice stolen the victim's car.

Expired tag leads to several drug charges for Orange Park man

ORANGE PARK – A man was arrested for a variety of drug-related charges after she was stopped on Wells Road Aug. 21



Kimberly Bridges

with an expired license tag.

Doryan Esteban Pierce, 24, of Orange Park, was charged with possession of cocaine, tampering with physical evidence, possession of marijuana with intent to sell, possession of Oxycodone and driving with a suspended license.

According to the Clay County Sheriff's Office, Pierce tried to throw cocaine onto the backseat of his car during the stop. Deputies searched the car after a K-9 alerted them of the odor of narcotics. Inside, they found 22.3 grams of marijuana that had been divided into six plastic bags, 11.5 grams of cocaine and a bottle with Oxycodone.

Woman in jail after stabbing her boyfriend

ORANGE PARK – A woman was arrested Aug. 24 after Clay County Sheriff's Office deputies said she stabbed her boyfriend in the shoulder.

Erica Janina Pickett, 37, of Orange Park, was charged with aggravated battery with a deadly weapon. She was in the Clay County Jail with a \$75,003 bond.

According to the arrest report, the victim had a wound in his left shoulder and a cut on his right hand. Pickett had a cut on her left rib area.



Erica Pickett



Darryl Daniels

Daniels pleads not guilty to one felony, three misdemeanor charges

By Don Coble
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GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Suspended Clay County Sheriff Darryl Daniels entered a plea of not guilty Wednesday to one third degree felony count of destroying evidence and three misdemeanor charges of knowingly giving false information of a crime.

Daniels was arraigned on the charges through a ZOOM call with Judge Michael Sharrit. Daniels' attorney, Camille Sheppard, delivered the pleas. Daniels wasn't the call.

Daniels was offered a deal on Aug. 12 from Ocala State Attorney Brad King to resign from office and withdraw from the sheriff's race or face charges related to a sexual affair he had with a former subordinate when he worked at the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office Jail.

Daniels turned himself in on Aug. 14. Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis suspended him a day later and on Aug. 16 DeSantis appointed Matt Walsh of the Jacksonville Florida Department of Law Enforcement office to serve as the interim sheriff.

Daniels is expected back into court on Oct. 20 for a pretrial hearing.

On Aug. 18, Michelle Cook won the Republican Party primary, beating Daniels by 3,121 votes. She's expected to be sworn in on Jan. 5, but DeSantis could act to put her in office at any time.

Daniels admitted he had an affair with Cierra Smith when they worked at the Jacksonville jail. The affair reportedly lasted six years.

Daniels asked to meet Smith in an Oakleaf parking lot after Daniels told his wife of the affair. When Smith arrived, Daniels demanded Smith be arrested for stalking.

Smith was briefly detained, but released without charges.

FDLE was asked to investigate. The agency determined Daniels had information on his cellphone involving the affair had been erased or destroyed.

Arrests & 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 Probation; BAL-blood alcohol level. There are no assumptions or representations about guilt or innocence. Anyone arrested or booked is presumed innocent.

Tuesday, Aug. 15

Kurstin E. Garcia, 30, Orange Park, simple domestic battery

Charlie I. Manning, 33, Maxville, simple battery

Michael L. Fonder, 33, Green Cove Springs, two counts FTA-DWLSR

Christopher W. Johnson, 34, Green Cove Springs, writ of attachment

William D. Bain, 41, Middleburg, trafficking-ecstasy/molly, trafficking-LSD, trafficking-phenethylamines, possession-marijuana with intent to sell/distribute/

manufacture, trafficking-cocaine

Candice R. Taylor, 33, Green Cove Springs, VOP-possession-fentanyl

John J. Doherty, 55, Middleburg, three counts felony battery, resist/obstruct/oppose police

Travis M. Smith, 29, Orange Par, six counts grand theft

Robert E. Arnold, 49, Orange Park, possession-methamphetamine

Dean D. Zetrouer, 42, Keystone Heights, aggravated stalking, using two-way communication device to facilitate a felony

Skylore F.A., Brown, 18, Orange Park, retail petit theft

Kenneth M. Smith, 30, Orange Park, VOP-community control

Andrew R. Dickerson, 34, Orange Park, non-support

Kristopher P. Owen, 43, Green Cove Springs, writ of attachment

Daniel B. Stratton, 45, two counts FTA by ZOOM-failing to register vehicle, FTA

by ZOOM-driving without commercial license, two counts FTA by ZOOM-DWLSR, FTA by ZOOM, possession/use-drug paraphernalia, possession-methamphetamine, possession-buprenorphine hydrochloride, possession-marijuana, possession/use-drug paraphernalia

Monday, Aug. 14

Salvador Castaneda, 28, Orange Park, DUI

Bert G. Jackson, 45, Orange Park, violation of condition of release

Darrell K. Wilson, 58, Orange Park, FTA Sarah A. Baker, 28, Keystone Heights, FTA

Matthew S. Snyder, 35, Orange Park, retail petit theft

Kendell J. Blackmon, 25, Green Cove Springs, FTA-DWLSR

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Arrests

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Brandon G. Ausherman, 27, Green Cove Springs, out of county warrant

Kenushewa M. Woodson, 20, Green Cove Springs, VOP-domestic battery

Erica J. Pickett, 37, Orange Park, aggravated battery with a deadly weapon

Cameron L. Gibstein, 29, Fleming Island, DWLSR

Kelly E. Squire, 37, Orange Park, three counts controlling/viewing depiction of child sexual conduct (Duval)

Jennifer Bright, 38, Middleburg, simple domestic battery

Aaron J. Wood-Sysol, 23, Middleburg, felony domestic battery

Jack T. Manucy, 26, Middleburg, VOP-DUI

Sunday, Aug. 23

Christopher S. O'Connell, 42, Keystone Heights, DWLSR-habitual offender

Brain C. Fife, 30, Middleburg, DWLSR, failing to register vehicle

Valarie R. Kearney, 57, Green Cove Springs, aggravated assault with deadly weapon

David A. Johns, 32, Orange Park, DUI, refusing to submit to BAL test

Crystal G. McWhorter, 64, Middleburg, DUI

Richard W. Gommer, 30, Orange Park, possession-controlled substance, possession/use-drug paraphernalia

Connie E. Howell Cothran, 54, Green Cove Springs, FTA-DWLSR, FTA-attached license not assigned to car

Michael O. Warner, 25, Middleburg, simple domestic battery

Shaun A. Thornton, 40, Middleburg, FTA

Dani M.R. Mills, 36, Green Cove Springs, two counts FTA

David L. Johnson, 58, Green Cove Springs, FTA

Tamishia N. Moore, 28, Orange Park, out of county warrant

Rafaeil A. Valeria Hidalgo, 19, Orange Park, FTA

Juan M. Johnson, 23, Green Cove Springs, two counts FTA-DWLSR

Saturday, Aug. 22

Jamie C. Potts, 37, Fleming Island, DUI

Yolanda R. Bradley, 40, Orange Park, disorderly intoxication, resist/obstruct/oppose police

Charles A. Cook, 30, Fleming Island, possession-unlicensed firearm, possession-marijuana, DUI, DWLSR

Lance A. Braswell, 21, Orange Park, two counts violation of injunction for protection against domestic violence

Tracy L. Meador, 53, Middleburg, non-support

Kimberly P. Bridges, 23, Orange Park, armed robbery, carjacking while carrying firearm/deadly weapon

Mike R. Franz, 30, Orange Park, simple domestic battery

Sarah C. Suefloh, 42, Orange Park, two counts FTA, petit theft, possession/

use-drug paraphernalia

Frankie L. Smith, 53, Middleburg, FTA

Aaron Grajeda Payan, 28, Oakleaf, DUI

Friday, Aug. 21

Mark A. Vankirk, 53, Keystone Heights, domestic battery

Richard A. Rivers, 48, Fleming Island, possession-marijuana, possession/use-drug paraphernalia, DUI, refusing to submit to BAL test, DWLSR

Kristen M. Howard, 30, Middleburg, sell/deliver Subutex within 1,000 feet of school grounds

Jeremiah J. Perry, 32, Orange Park, fugitive warrant/out of state extradition

Nicholas J. McCauley, 38, Orange Park, trespassing

Travonce L. Brewer, 31, Middleburg, possession-fentanyl, possession-marijuana, possession/use-drug paraphernalia, DWLSR

Summer H. Booth, 32, Middleburg, FTA

Tony R. Ceragioli, Green Cove Springs, FTA

Oscar O. Moreno, 55, Orange Park, DUI, refusing to submit to BAL test

Doryan Pierce, tampering with/destroying/fabricating physical evidence, possession-cocaine, possession-Oxycodone, possession/manufacturing-marijuana, DWLSR

Thursday, Aug. 20

Raymond L. Watkins, 48, Orange Park, DUI, DWLSR

Tyler A. Freeman, 23, Orange Park, simple domestic battery

Dominique L. Johnson, 35, Orange Park, tampering with/fabricating evidence to destroy/alter/conceal, possession-marijuana

Steve R. Miracle, 29, Green Cove Springs, FTA-petit theft (St. Johns)

Israel V. Cruz, 28, Orange Park, battery of police officer/firefighter/EMT, petit theft, vandalism

Hubert B. Edenfield, 32, Green Cove Springs, FTA-domestic battery

Ryan G. Cavin, 42, Maxville, armed burglary

Derick A. Wallace, 30, Green Cove Springs, burglary

Ronald D. Smith, 60, Keystone Heights, simple domestic battery

Courtney T. Vinson, 26, Green Cove Springs, FTA on ZOOM-DWLSR

Jered J. Nichols, 41, Orange Park, simple battery

Jonathan C. Culverson, 27, Keystone Heights, DWLSR

Malisa A. Alcorn, 47, Green Cove Springs, trespassing with warning

Justin L. Siemering, 21, Green Cove Springs, two counts possession/use-drug paraphernalia, possession-THC wax

Julie C. Lewis, 46, Green Cove Springs, VOP-community control

Cokenna M. Harris, 37, Orange Park, simple domestic battery

Christopher A. Hunt, 24, Orange Park, possession-Xanax, possession-marijuana

Richard J. Brooks, 39, Middleburg, DUI, attempting to flee/elude police

Wednesday, Aug. 19

Kenneth R. Welch, 27, Orange Park, DUI

Thomas A. Drakos, 30, Orange Park, DWLSR, possession-marijuana

Christopher A. Culliton, 50, Orange Park, domestic battery

Joshua W. Compton, 39, Green Cove Springs, writ of attachment

Timothy D. McLean, 52, Orange Park, criminal mischief, possession-marijuana, possession-marijuana, possession/use-drug paraphernalia, possession-controlled substance

Paul J. Frankewicz, 53, Orange Park, retail petit theft

Lance A. Dees, Green Cove Springs, DWLSR

Kobie R.A. Hay, 18, Middleburg, grand theft auto

Michael D. Newsome, 58, Orange Park, soliciting donations

James R. Wilcox, 41, Fleming Island, FTA

Community Calendar from page 8

LAKE REGION KIWANIS CLUB: will meet Oct. 15 at 6 p.m. at Clyde's Cozy Corner Café, 195 S. Lawrence Blvd., Keystone Heights.

ORANGE PARK TOWN COUNCIL: will meet on Oct. 20 at 5:30 p.m. at Town Hall, 2042 Park Ave.

GREEN COVE SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL: will meet on Oct. 20 at 7 p.m. at City Hall, 321 Walnut St., Green Cove Springs.

AMERICAN BUSINESS WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION-ORANGE PARK CHAPTER: will meet Oct. 20 from 6 p.m.-8 p.m. at the Club Continental, 2143 Astor St., Orange Park.

LAKE REGION KIWANIS CLUB: will meet Oct. 22 at 7:30 a.m. at Johnny's BBQ, 7411 State Road 21, Keystone Heights.

CLAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS: will meet on Oct. 27 at 4 p.m. at the fourth floor of Administration Building, 477 Houston St., Green Cove Springs.

LAKE REGION KIWANIS CLUB: will meet Oct. 29 at 7:30 a.m. at Johnny's BBQ, 7411 State Road 21, Keystone Heights.

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS CITY COUNCIL: will meet Nov. 2 at 6 p.m. at City Hall, 555 S. Lawrence St.

ORANGE PARK TOWN COUNCIL: will meet on Nov. 3 at 5:30 p.m. at Town Hall, 2042 Park Ave.

LAKE REGION KIWANIS CLUB: will meet Nov. 5 at 7:30 a.m. at Johnny's BBQ, 7411 State Road 21, Keystone Heights.

LAKE REGION KIWANIS CLUB: Will host its first golf tournament on Nov. 7 at the Keystone Golf and Country Club. Shotgun start for the captain's choice tournament is at 9 a.m. Prizes include \$10,000 for a hole in one. For more information, contact Keith Hatch at (904) 806-2710.

CLAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS: will meet on Nov. 10 at 4 p.m. at the fourth floor of Administration Building, 477 Houston St., Green Cove Springs.

GREEN COVE SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL: will meet on Nov. 10 at 7 p.m. at City Hall, 321 Walnut St., Green Cove Springs.

LAKE REGION KIWANIS CLUB: will meet Nov. 12 at 7:30 a.m. at Johnny's BBQ, 7411 State Road 21, Keystone Heights.

ORANGE PARK TOWN COUNCIL: will meet on Nov. 17 at 5:30 p.m. at Town Hall, 2042 Park Ave.

AMERICAN BUSINESS WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION-ORANGE PARK CHAPTER: will meet Nov. 17 from 6 p.m.-8 p.m. at the Club Continental, 2143 Astor St., Orange Park.

GREEN COVE SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL: will meet on Nov. 17 at 7 p.m. at City Hall, 321 Walnut St., Green Cove Springs.

LAKE REGION KIWANIS CLUB: will meet Nov. 19 at 6 p.m. at Clyde's Cozy Corner Café, 195 S. Lawrence Blvd., Keystone Heights.

CLAY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

ERS: will meet on Nov. 24 at 4 p.m. at the fourth floor of Administration Building, 477 Houston St., Green Cove Springs.

LAKE REGION KIWANIS CLUB: will meet Nov. 26 at 7:30 a.m. at Johnny's BBQ, 7411 State Road 21, Keystone Heights.

ORANGE PARK TOWN COUNCIL: will meet on Dec. 1 at 5:30 p.m. at Town Hall, 2042 Park Ave.

LAKE REGION KIWANIS CLUB: will meet Dec. 3 at 7:30 a.m. at Johnny's BBQ, 7411 State Road 21, Keystone Heights.

GREEN COVE SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL: will meet on Dec. 8 at 7 p.m. at City Hall, 321 Walnut St., Green Cove Springs.

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS CITY COUNCIL: will meet Dec. 7 at 6 p.m. at City Hall, 555 S. Lawrence St.

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BRONCOS TAKE THE FIELD

Middleburg High junior quarterback Luke Padgett will be leading the Broncos on to the field in 2020 after area teams got their first day of practice on Monday. *See more first day pics, page 27.*

Duverge's next stop: Arkansas State Red Devils

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

Former Middleburg High football standout Carvin Duverge took one step closer to his dream of a possible NFL opportunity and the shot comes from the Red Wolves of Arkansas State University.

"It's been a long story, but it's not over yet," said Duverge, who graduated in 2016. "I got in some trouble and had to find myself, but I'm more focused now. I've told myself even in high school that I wanted to go to the NFL."

Duverge, who accepted a scholarship to Hutchinson Community College in Kansas when he finished at Middleburg, said the turbulent ride to Arkansas State was by way of some trouble at Hutchinson.

"I didn't think I would get a scholarship

SEE DURVERGE, 30

Millson, Stratton crush Cecil Field Summer XC Classic

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

JACKSONVILLE - Fleming Island High senior Emma Millson and St. Johns Country Day School junior Matthew Stratton had top performances with both getting top 10 finishes at the uber-competitive Cecil Field Summer Classic Cross Country Invitational held Friday night at Cecil Field's New World Golf Course. The meet was the first competition amidst a summer of indecisiveness concerning the deadly COVID-19 pandemic and the starting of high school sports in Florida.

"In general, I think the meet and the very strong field of competition that ar-



rived, showed that despite what others may say about the restrictions of the COVID, the community is ready to get back on the field," said meet director Richard Fannin. "The bottom line is that we put on a great meet and those that

SEE RUN, 28

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Fleming Island High cross country runner Emma Millson, on right, runs with second pack at Friday's Cecil Field Summer Classic Invitational. Millson was top area finisher with her seventh place finish.

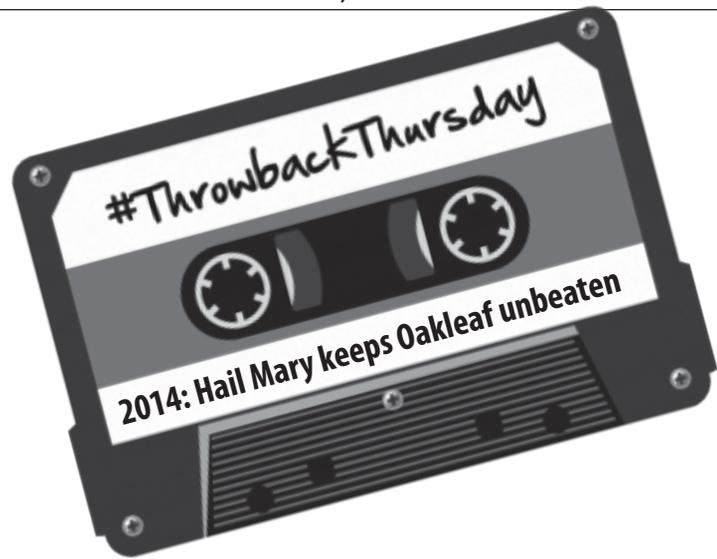


Middleburg High defensive end Carvin Duverge, a 2016 graduate, has been on a rocky road in pursuit of his NFL aspirations.

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Knights win with :09.9 Hail Mary

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

ORANGE PARK - Oakleaf High tailback Keylan Brown may very well have been the unsung hero Friday night in the Knights' 16-14 district 3-7A win over Atlantic Coast if fans cared to remember the third down run he made for a key first down.

"I saw the ball on the ground after Jordan got hit and lost it," said Brown. "I knew we needed about three yards for a first down and I had to get the ball and make it happen."

On third and three from the Stingray 45 yard line with 39 seconds left on the clock and the Atlantic Coast defense playing suffocating pass defense, Knights' quarterback Jordan Johnson attempted to stay upright under the heavy rush and lost control of the ball. Brown, in to block incoming traffic, scooped the ball in the middle of the field, veered left, broke a tackle, veered right, broke a tackle and finally got gang-tackled at the Atlantic Coast 42 yard line for an Oakleaf first down and a breath of life left for the Knights.

"I just had to make a big play for my team," said Brown, who has topped the Knights running game with 125 yards against Wayne County and 75 yards on the night against Atlantic Coast with a 6.2 yards per carry average. "I saw the ball and knew I needed five yards."

From the 22, Jordan missed two passes downfield before Chipoletti set up four receivers; Rontrez Morgan, Cari Coleman, Desmon George and Darius Perry, on the Knights side of the field for one more final shot with 9.9 seconds still on the clock. Johnson again had to dodge tacklers to break free and threw as far and high as he could when he finally found open space at the Oakleaf 45 yard line.

"He made great plays to avoid getting sacked and just heaved it," said Chipoletti, who stood motionless on the sideline as the ball aimed not to the end zone, but about the 10 yard line. "I don't think he could have thrown it any further. They chased him around pretty good before he let it go."

At the Stingray 10, Morgan and Coleman jumped in front of two Stingray defenders; all four with their backs to the end zone, while Perry, who had just one

Oakleaf Knights 2014

District 3-7A: Oakleaf, Fleming Island, Atlantic Coast, Buchholz, Fletcher

Oakleaf (4-0, 1-0) beat Atlantic Coast (3-1, 0-1) 16-14

Gainesville Buchholz (2-2, 1-0) beat Fleming Island (1-3, 0-1) 34-17

Fletcher (2-1, 0-0) was off

Atlantic Coast (3-1, 0-1) lost to Oakleaf (4-0, 1-0) 16-14

Fleming Island (1-3, 0-1) lost to Buchholz (2-2, 1-0) 34-17

Oakleaf statistics (Four games): 144 yards receiving per game; 160 yards rushing per game; 15 TDs, 71 Tackles per game; 16 sacks; 7 INTs

catch in the first three games, stayed on the ground at the 12 yard line.

"I saw them jump and smack the ball; Rontrez and the Atlantic Coast guy, and then the ball floated for what seemed like forever," said Perry. "It was weird because all of us just sort of watched it before something inside me said, 'Grab it and run.' I just grabbed it and ran with Cari behind me."

Finishing off the play, Perry was swarmed and mauled by his teammates under the Oakleaf scoreboard as time ran out and the Knights became a legitimate contender for a district title run.

"We watched the movie 'Lone Survivor' today and connected with the US Navy Seals in the movie who never gave up despite adversity," said Chipoletti, who has commented numerous times about how a handful of plays has proved costly to the playoff hopes of the Knights in his first two years. "For me, this was one of the bigger regular season wins because of what this team and the school have been through over the years."



STAFF PHOTO BY RANDY LEFKO

Oakleaf High wide receiver Darius Perry, right, sprints into end zone with escort from teammate Cari Coleman after catching deflected pass for winning touchdown in key game against Atlantic Coast.

Oakleaf next hosts 5A-Clay (4-0) before traveling to 3-7A's Fleming Island (1-3, 0-1) on October 3.

In the first half, both teams tried to stretch out their offensive arms with passes downfield, but both defenses were stiff until the Stingrays scored first at 5:12 off a four-down series that had a 25 yard run and an Oakleaf offsides flag put the Stingray offense on the Oakleaf six where a handoff finished the drive.

Oakleaf's offense sputtered with a clip on the ensuing kickoff putting the Knights at their own eight and a fumbled snap ending the drive at the same eight yard line seven plays later.

"We just could not get out of our own way early in the game," said Chipoletti.

Atlantic Coast would miss a field goal from 40 yards out to end the first quarter up 7-0.

As the second quarter started after the missed field goal, Johnson, who finished with 10 of 18 passes for 122 yards, would begin to find the groove from behind center with a pass to George netting 46 yards to the Atlantic Coast 32. A slant pass to Coleman got a pass interference flag to put Oakleaf at the Stingray 22 where Brown popped off a seven yard run to the 10. A slant to Morgan pushed Oakleaf to the five, but two incompletes got kicker Xavier Lewis in to kick a 22 yard field goal and a 7-3 score with 8:04 left in the half.

Atlantic Coast quarterback Leishaun Ealey would scramble 40 yards to paydirt to put the Stingrays up 14-3 with 3:13 left in the half.

Oakleaf would again drive to within the Atlantic Coast end zone only to fail on a second field goal attempt as the half ran out.

In the third quarter, Oakleaf's defense answered the call with defensive back Tyrell Brown bashing Atlantic Coast's punter after a dropped snap at the Stingray

10 yard line. Middle linebacker Shaquille Quarterman would wind up with the loose ball to put Oakleaf in scoring position with 4:13 left in the quarter.

Brown would scamper behind guard Jevionte Nash for a 20 yard scoring run to close the gap to 14-10.

The score would ignite the Oakleaf fan base and defense as Atlantic Coast's offense got small chunks of yardage, but then pushed back with strong play from Quarterman, Carlos McCracken and a sack from defensive tackle Amari Way that forced a punt from midfield just inside the fourth quarter.

Atlantic Coast spined up and shut down four handoffs to Brown before taking over on offense at their own 40. A 42 yard pass play over center put Atlantic Coast in striking distance at the Oakleaf 15 where a little luck and a yellow flag negated a 15 yard rushing touchdown.

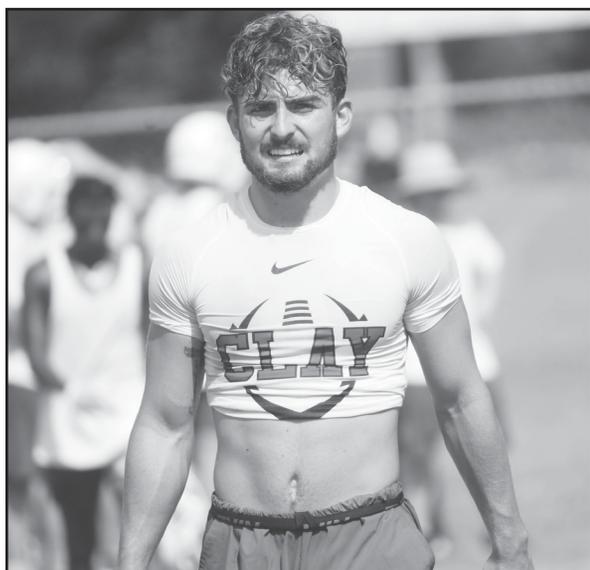
A play later, Oakleaf cornerback Nick Roberts would intercept a pass in the back of the end zone to end the threat.

"We thought they might want to strike back fast after the flag and we backed up a little on the coverage," said Roberts.

On the ensuing drive from their own 20, Oakleaf could only get to midfield despite plays of 21 yards and nine yards from Brown and wideout Marcus Johnson.

With the clock ticking down to three minutes left in the game, Atlantic Coast bumbled their next drive under heavy pressure on defense from Oakleaf defensive tackle Billy Golden and defensive end Chance Harrell. McCracken would break up a pass attempt and Atlantic Coast punted from their own 23. Marcus Johnson would maintain his balance on some hard hits on the punt return and get Oakleaf to midfield with 1:47 to go. A six yard slant to George would put Oakleaf's offense at the Atlantic Coast 40 to set up the game-winning pass touchdown.

First day of practice for Clay athletes



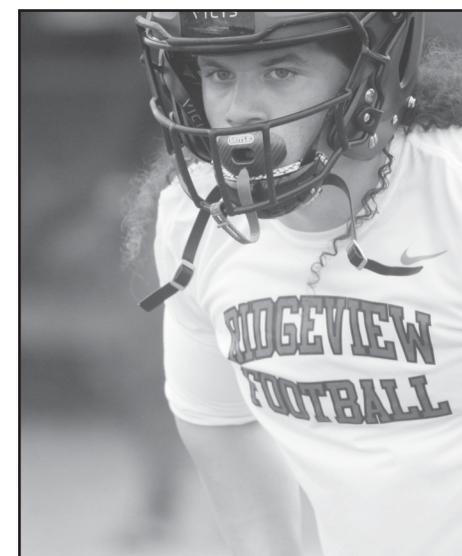
Clay High will look to Tristan Keith, a returning senior, to be a leader on both sides of the ball as the Blue Devils look to reverse a 1-9 season last year.



Clay High offensive coach Brian Flaherty, left, ells during intrasquad scrimmage at Clay High Blue Devil head coach Kyle Kennard ponder's the next call.



Spencer Calise looks to reverse last year's 1-9 season under coach Matt Knauss, who returns with plenty of firepower for an improved season in 2020.



From left, Ridgeview High added some speed and strength on both sides of the ball with Father Lopez transfer Ed Whipple, who comes in as an all state receiver. Center: Middleburg will go with junior quarterback Luke Padgett, left, here handing off to fullback Dylan Austin. Right: Ridgeview High defense will be anchored by sophomore linebacker Miika Tuisano, a hard-nosed basher who will sit behind mammoth defensive tackle Derrek Mosley, a recent transfer from Clay High.



Fleming Island's touchdown machine, T.K. Kocak, who scored 13 times last year, returns to be a focal point of strong run game for Golden Eagles. Center: Big man Tanner Rafuse, part of the Broncos up front power, is strong and agile and will have speed behind him. Top right: Fleming Island has one of best returning pass catchers in speedy Will Stephens, the only returner of a trio of catchers, including Kalel Seybolt and Broden Domenico, from last year's playoff team. Bottom right, former Orange Park coach Corey Hawkins adds his offensive prowess to the Panther attack.



ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



Matthew Stratton, SJCDs, Cross County, Junior

Matthew Stratton made bold statement about his fitness to return as a top finisher in Class 1A after a runnerup finish last year with his fourth place finish in 15:56 at the Cecil Field Summer Classic Cross Country Invitational.



Emma Millson, FIHS, Cross Country, Senior

Emma Millson stormed into the forefront of early cross country chats with her ninth place finish at the Cecil Field Summer Classic cross country invitational held Friday. Millson finished in 19 minutes, 42 seconds.

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that had reservations were very welcome to not attend. Everyone here, I think, had a great time, we had just a few minor incidents enforcing the mask rules, but all in all, everything went smoothly.”

The meet, the first major cross country competition in north Florida with regard to the COVID-19 restrictions, went off flawlessly under the direction of Fannin and a very cooperative weather pattern that skirted the course with no more than a light sprinkle about an hour before competition was unleashed.

“We couldn’t have asked for a cooler night to have such great competition and the rain never got to us,” said Fannin. “The kids have been couped up all summer with no racing and this was a chance to just unleash. And, they did.”

With top runners Isabella Babilonia of Viera High for the girls and Bradley Ball for Nease High School, who was second in Class 4A last year, leading the front runners to course record times, the times registered for the top 10 finishers in each race; girls and boys, were astounding. Babilonia was a 17th place finish in Class 4A last year with a 18:59.80 time on the very hilly Tallahassee state meet course. Babilonia torched the fast field with a record split of 18:38 to beat Bolles’ Maxine Montoya by more than a minute. Montoya, fifth in Class 1A last year in 18:25.74, was second to Babilonia at 19:13. Bolles



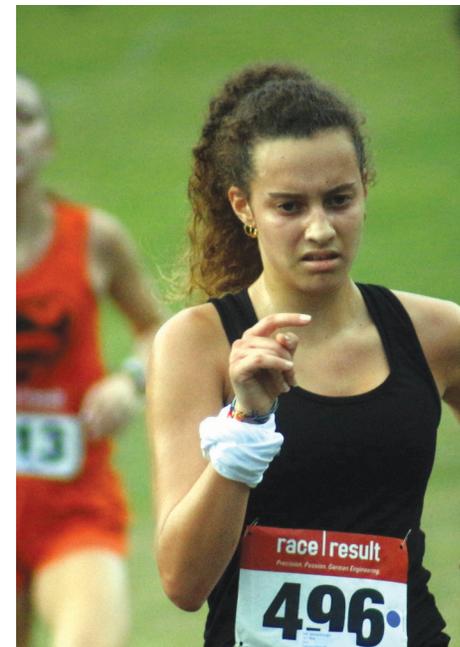
Fleming Island freshman cross country runner John Keester IV was surprised first finisher for Golden Eagles; here in front of senior Jayden Scherer, at the Cecil Field Summer Classic. Keester added to his summer results after a third place finish in the 1500 meters and a fifth place finish on the track at the AAU Summer Nationals in the 3K race on August 5 at Satellite High School.

had four girls in the top 10; Montoya, Ella Mickler, eighth in 1A last year, third in 19:18; Maddie Prop, sixth in 19:25 and Jillian Candelino, 12th in 1A, eighth in 19:39.

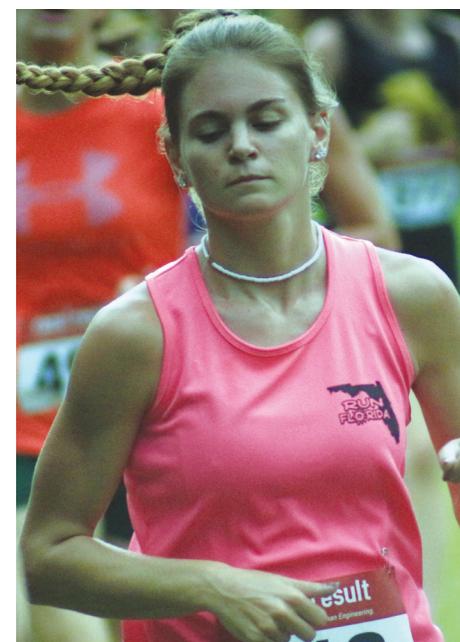
“I think we had up to seven runners in both races break the course record and Isabella broke the record by nearly a minute,” said Fannin. “We were unfortunate not to have Nease’s top runner; 4A champion Rheinhart Harrison, race up front (finished 55th) after he set a national high school mile record of 4:01 a few weeks ago, but his teammate set the tone and held off for the one-second win in the boys race in 15:33 over Michael Toppi, also of Viera High, outkicked by just one second.”

Toppi, who was 59th in Class 4A last year in 16:34.75, finished with an astounding 15:34 to Ball.

For the boys, third place went to Mi-



Fleming Island High senior Marisa Kortright was fourth Fleming Island finisher at the Cecil Field Summer Classic. Kortright, on August 5 at the AAU Summer Nationals, finished fifth at the AAU Summer Nationals in the 3000 meters. Below: Middleburg High’s Emma Mussante makes her way at the Cecil Field Summer Classic to 41st place finish.



Michael Fiore of Lauderdale High, ninth in 4A last year, with St. Johns Matthew Stratton, second in 1A last year, getting fourth in 15:56.

“Four guys under 16 minutes in a pre-season race means the summer training was intense,” said Fannin. “The top 20 boys were all under 17 minutes. The top 19 girls were under 20 minutes. That is some fast running for this early.”



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Level: Beginner

For the girls, with Bolles dominating the team score, Viera and Fleming Island duked it out for the runnerup and third place finish with Viera; behind Bolles' 36 points, scoring 73 and Fleming Island scoring 81.

For the Golden Eagles, senior Emma Millson stormed to the top spot for her team with a 19:42 split for seventh place after returning to the lineup after a series of injuries took her out of competition for the past year. Right behind Millson, Grace Adams, Fleming Island's top finisher at the Class 4A meet last year at 54th, came in at 10th for second Fleming Island with Mei Chiang, 56th at the 4A meet, the third in for the Golden Eagles at 20:01.

Marisa Kortright and Kaitlyn Scherer finished out Fleming Island's top five; in 20:35 and 21:05, respectively.

Ponte Vedra was fourth at 159 points with top finisher Lauren Bing fourth in 19:21.

In the boys team scores, Viera edged out Bolles with 64 points to 75 points with Bolles' top finisher: Cole Rutkowski, fifth in 2A last year in 16:01, seventh in 16:20.

Fleming Island's boys team, led by incoming freshman John Keester IV's 36th place top finisher spot in 17:30, finished 10th with 280 points.

Stratton's St. Johns team finished 15th with the Cecil Flyers; a Bishop Snyder strong team, 16th.

For the Leafy Oak team, an Oakleaf area club, brothers Graham and Logan Myers, sons to masters stalwart Gary Myers, finished 56th and 65th in 17:57 and 18:09. Gary Myers finished 10th in the open race in 18:26.

In the junior varsity/open adult race, which was a combined first race of the night, Justin Greene, a Flagler College standout, won over Christian Conder, a New Zealander, with a 15:40 to 16:01 split with former Ridgeview High star Joel Nesi, now at Flagler College, third in 16:05.

First female was Lydia McRae in 17th at 19:27 with Allison Gubitz, 22nd, second female at 20:11.

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CRYPTO FUN

Determine the code to reveal the answer!

Solve the code to discover words related to writers.
Each number corresponds to a letter.
(Hint: 8 = D)

A. 2 11 20 23 11 9 26

Clue: To write or create

B. 8 12 22 16 5

Clue: Rough copy

C. 26 8 15 5

Clue: Correct or modify

D. 15 8 26 22 9

Clue: Thoughts about a course of action

Answers: A. compose B. draft C. edit D. ideas

WORD SCRAMBLE

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Answer: Corrects

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Answer: Shaun White

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Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and backwards.

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Middleburg High football graduate Carvin Duverge, here in action at Bethel College in Kansas, earned a preferred walk-on invite at NCAA Division I Arkansas State University and is hoping his top 10 in nation sacks status can get him on the roster.

Duverge

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"I didn't think I would get a scholarship out of high school, so I was just like you get a scholarship, you don't say no," said Duverge. "It wasn't a bad level of trouble just kind of hanging out with bad people. No drugs or stuff like that, just me making bad decisions. It was a wake up call."

Though Duverge took the ousting from Hutchinson with a level of humility, he stayed the course of finishing his two years of school with one thing in mind.

"I thought my football was over at that point, but I stayed for the spring semester on my own, then went home," said Duverge. "I was so desperate, I wanted to join the military."

One person who stood by Duverge was his mom, Carmelle Clerger, of Middleburg.

"I only know I was disappointing her because she wanted me to be a lawyer and didn't think the football thing was a good choice," said Duverge. "I hated that I was making her work harder, but she knew I wanted to play and if I kept at my school, I would have a chance."

Duverge later went to a military recruiting office in Orange Park, but the door was locked with no personnel inside.

"During all this my mom and a counselor from Hutchinson started to figure ways to get me back into college," said Duverge. "She told me about a Bethel College football. They had had a bad record that year and my credits from Hutchinson

transferred."

Duverge would take some classes through summer and football season with one thing in mind; keep playing.

"I was doing everything I could to keep my dream alive," said Duverge. "I made my mistakes, but I took like a man and made better decisions. When my mom got on board seeing that I was for real, that made it easier. I hated disappointing her."

After a stint as a Publix worker in Texas, Duverge arrived at Bethel with a refueled football attitude and started to show out his immense athletic skill and football style.

"Even though I had decent stats at Bethel and made All-Conference first team defense, I was missing big plays and knew I had to correct that," said Duverge, who finished with a seventh best in the nation tackles for loss total and also leading Bethel with 8.5 quarterback sacks. Duverge was also named the Bethel athletic program's Male Newcomer of the Year.

"I knew a shot at the show came from having good film," said Duverge. "I worked out hard when I was home in Middleburg."

From a phone call from a friend who was at Arkansas State, Duverge drove to Jonesboro and earned a preferred walk-on position on the team.

"It's just God," said Duverge. "He puts obstacles in front of us and we have to have faith that it is for a reason. I just keep moving forward."

Duverge will redshirt and hopefully earn a scholarship for next fall's football season.

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I, Laurel M. Lee, Secretary of State for Florida, do hereby give notice that the ballot title, ballot summary and as applicable, the financial impact statement for each of the following proposed amendments and revisions to the Florida Constitution will be on the General Election ballot on November 3, 2020 in each county. The full text as appears herein may also be found at <https://dos.elections.myflorida.com/initiatives/>, at FloridaPublicNotices.com, and at this newspaper's website.

**No. 1
Constitutional Amendment
Article VI, Section 2**

ARTICLE VI, SECTION 2. Electors. — **Every citizen** Only a citizen of the United States who is at least eighteen years of age and who is a permanent resident of the state, if registered as provided by law, shall be an elector of the county where registered.

**No. 2
Constitutional Amendment
Article X, Section 24**

ARTICLE X, SECTION 24. Florida minimum wage.— (c) MINIMUM WAGE. Employers shall pay Employees Wages no less than the Minimum Wage for all hours worked in Florida. Six months after enactment, the Minimum Wage shall be established at an hourly rate of \$6.15. Effective September 30th, 2021, the existing state Minimum Wage shall increase to \$10.00 per hour, and then increase each September 30th thereafter by \$1.00 per hour, until the Minimum Wage reaches \$15.00 per hour on September 30th, 2026. On September 30th of 2027 that year and on each following September 30th, the state Agency for Workforce Innovation shall calculate an adjusted Minimum Wage rate by increasing the current Minimum Wage rate by the rate of inflation during the twelve months prior to each September 1st using the consumer price index for urban wage earners and clerical workers, CPI-W, or a successor index as calculated by the United States Department of Labor. Each adjusted Minimum Wage rate calculated shall be published and take effect on the following January 1st. For tipped Employees meeting eligibility requirements for the tip credit under the FLSA, Employers may credit towards satisfaction of the Minimum Wage tips up to the amount of the allowable FLSA tip credit in 2003.

**No. 3
Constitutional Amendment
Article VI, Section 5**

ARTICLE VI, SECTION 5. Primary, general, and special elections.— (c) All elections for the Florida legislature, governor and cabinet shall be held as follows:
(1) A single primary election shall be held for each office. All electors registered to vote for the office being filled shall be allowed to vote in the primary election for said office regardless of the voter's, or any candidate's, political party affiliation or lack of same.
(2) All candidates qualifying for election to the office shall be placed on the same ballot for the primary election regardless of any candidate's political party affiliation or lack of same.
(3) The two candidates receiving the highest number of votes cast in the primary election shall advance to the general election. For elections in which only two candidates qualify for the same office, no primary will be held and the winner will be determined in the general election.
(4) Nothing in this subsection shall prohibit a political party from nominating a candidate to run for office under this subsection. Nothing in this subsection shall prohibit a party from endorsing or otherwise supporting a candidate as provided by law. A candidate's affiliation with a political party may appear on the ballot as provided by law.
(5) This amendment is self-executing and shall be effective January 1, 2024.

**No. 4
Constitutional Amendment
Article XI, Sections 5 and 7**

ARTICLE XI, SECTION 5. Amendment or revision election.—
(a) A proposed amendment to or revision

of this constitution, or any part of it, shall be submitted to the electors at the next general election held more than ninety days after the joint resolution or report of revision commission, constitutional convention or taxation and budget reform commission proposing it is filed with the custodian of state records, unless, pursuant to law enacted by the affirmative vote of three-fourths of the membership of each house of the legislature and limited to a single amendment or revision, it is submitted at an earlier special election held more than ninety days after such filing. If the proposed amendment or revision is approved as provided in subsection (e), it shall be submitted to the electors a second time at the next general election occurring at least ten weeks after the election in which the proposed amendment or revision is initially approved.
(b) A proposed amendment or revision of this constitution, or any part of it, by initiative shall be submitted to the electors at the general election provided the initiative petition is filed with the custodian of state records no later than February 1 of the year in which the general election is held. If the proposed amendment or revision is approved as provided in subsection (e), it shall be submitted to the electors a second time at the next general election.

(c) The legislature shall provide by general law, prior to the holding of an election pursuant to this section, for the provision of a statement to the public regarding the probable financial impact of any amendment proposed by initiative pursuant to section 3.
(d) Once in the tenth week, and once in the sixth week immediately preceding the week in which an election is held, the proposed amendment or revision, with notice of the date of election at which it will be submitted to the electors, shall be published in one newspaper of general circulation in each county in which a newspaper is published.

(e) Unless otherwise specifically provided for elsewhere in this constitution, if the proposed amendment or revision is approved by vote of at least sixty percent of the electors voting on the measure in each of two elections, it shall be effective as an amendment to or revision of the constitution of the state on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in January following the second election in which the proposed amendment or revision is approved, or on such other date as may be specified in the amendment or revision.

SECTION 7. Tax or fee limitation.—Notwithstanding Article X, Section 12(d) of this constitution, no new State tax or fee shall be imposed on or after November 8, 1994 by any amendment to this constitution unless the proposed amendment is approved by not fewer than two-thirds of the voters voting in each of the two elections in which such proposed amendment is considered. For purposes of this section, the phrase "new State tax or fee" shall mean any tax or fee which would produce revenue subject to lump sum or other appropriation by the Legislature, either for the State general revenue fund or any trust fund, which tax or fee is not in effect on November 7, 1994 including without limitation such taxes and fees as are the subject of proposed constitutional amendments appearing on the ballot on November 8, 1994. This section shall apply to proposed constitutional amendments relating to State taxes or fees which appear on the November 8, 1994 ballot, or later ballots, and any such proposed amendment which fails to gain the two-thirds vote required hereby shall be null, void and without effect.

**No. 5
Constitutional Amendment
Article VII, Section 4 and Article XII**

ARTICLE VII, Finance and Taxation. SECTION 4. Taxation; assessments.— By general law regulations shall be prescribed which shall secure a just valuation of all property for ad valorem taxation, provided:
(a) Agricultural land, land producing water recharge to Florida's aquifers, or land used exclusively for noncommercial recreational purposes may be classified by general law and assessed solely on the basis of character or use.
(b) As provided by general law and subject to conditions, limitations, and reasonable definitions specified therein, land used for conservation purposes shall be classified by general law and assessed solely on the basis of character or use.

(c) Pursuant to general law tangible personal property held for sale as stock in trade and livestock may be valued for taxation at a specified percentage of its value, may be classified for tax purposes, or may be exempted from taxation.
(d) All persons entitled to a homestead exemption under Section 6 of this Article shall have their homestead assessed at just value as of January 1 of the year following the effective date of this amendment. This assessment shall change only as provided in this subsection.
(1) Assessments subject to this subsection shall be changed annually on January 1st of each year; but those changes in assessments shall not exceed the lower of the following: a. Three percent (3%) of the assessment for the prior year. b. The percent change in the Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers, U.S. City Average, all items 1967-100, or successor reports for the preceding calendar year as initially reported by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.
(2) No assessment shall exceed just value.
(3) After any change of ownership, as provided by general law, homestead property shall be assessed at just value as of January 1 of the following year, unless the provisions of paragraph (8) apply. Thereafter, the homestead shall be assessed as provided in this subsection.
(4) New homestead property shall be assessed at just value as of January 1st of the year following the establishment of the homestead, unless the provisions of paragraph (8) apply. That assessment shall only change as provided in this subsection.
(5) Changes, additions, reductions, or improvements to homestead property shall be assessed as provided for by general law; provided, however, after the adjustment for any change, addition, reduction, or improvement, the property shall be assessed as provided in this subsection.
(6) In the event of a termination of homestead status, the property shall be assessed as provided by general law.
(7) The provisions of this amendment are severable. If any of the provisions of this amendment shall be held unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, the decision of such court shall not affect or impair any remaining provisions of this amendment. (8) a. A person who establishes a new homestead as of January 1, 2009, or January 1 of any subsequent year and who has received a homestead exemption pursuant to Section 6 of this Article as of January 1 of any either of the three two years immediately preceding the establishment of the new homestead is entitled to have the new homestead assessed at less than just value. ~~If this revision is approved in January of 2008, a person who establishes a new homestead as of January 1, 2008, is entitled to have the new homestead assessed at less than just value only if that person received a homestead exemption on January 1, 2007.~~ The assessed value of the newly established homestead shall be determined as follows: 1. If the just value of the new homestead is greater than or equal to the just value of the prior homestead as of January 1 of the year in which the prior homestead was abandoned, the assessed value of the new homestead shall be the just value of the new homestead minus an amount equal to the lesser of \$500,000 or the difference between the just value and the assessed value of the prior homestead as of January 1 of the year in which the prior homestead was abandoned. Thereafter, the homestead shall be assessed as provided in this subsection.
2. If the just value of the new homestead is less than the just value of the prior homestead as of January 1 of the year in which the prior homestead was abandoned, the assessed value of 98 the new homestead shall be equal to the just value of the new homestead divided by the just value of the prior homestead and multiplied by the assessed value of the prior homestead. However, if the difference between the just value of the new homestead and the assessed value of the new homestead calculated pursuant to this sub-subparagraph is greater than \$500,000, the assessed value of the new homestead shall be increased so that the difference between the just value and the assessed value equals \$500,000. Thereafter, the homestead shall be assessed as provided in this

subsection. b. By general law and subject to conditions specified therein, the legislature shall provide for application of this paragraph to property owned by more than one person.
(e) The legislature may, by general law, for assessment purposes and subject to the provisions of this subsection, allow counties and municipalities to authorize by ordinance that historic property may be assessed solely on the basis of character or use. Such character or use assessment shall apply only to the jurisdiction adopting the ordinance. The requirements for eligible properties must be specified by general law.
(f) A county may, in the manner prescribed by general law, provide for a reduction in the assessed value of homestead property to the extent of any increase in the assessed value of that property which results from the construction or reconstruction of the property for the purpose of providing living quarters for one or more natural or adoptive grandparents or parents of the owner of the property or of the owner's spouse if at least one of the grandparents or parents for whom the living quarters are provided is 62 years of age or older. Such a reduction may not exceed the lesser of the following: (1) The increase in assessed value resulting from construction or reconstruction of the property.
(2) Twenty percent of the total assessed value of the property as improved.
(g) For all levies other than school district levies, assessments of residential real property, as defined by general law, which contains nine units or fewer and which is not subject to the assessment limitations set forth in subsections (a) through (d) shall change only as provided in this subsection.
(1) Assessments subject to this subsection shall be changed annually on the date of assessment provided by law; but those changes in assessments shall not exceed ten percent (10%) of the assessment for the prior year.
(2) No assessment shall exceed just value.
(3) After a change of ownership or control, as defined by general law, including any change of ownership of a legal entity that owns the property, such property shall be assessed at just value as of the next assessment date. Thereafter, such property shall be assessed as provided in this subsection.
(4) Changes, additions, reductions, or improvements to such property shall be assessed as provided for by general law; however, after the adjustment for any change, addition, reduction, or improvement, the property shall be assessed as provided in this subsection.
(h) For all levies other than school district levies, assessments of real property that is not subject to the assessment limitations set forth in subsections (a) through (d) and (g) shall change only as provided in this subsection.
(1) Assessments subject to this subsection shall be changed annually on the date of assessment provided by law; but those changes in assessments shall not exceed ten percent (10%) of the assessment for the prior year.
(2) No assessment shall exceed just value.
(3) The legislature must provide that such property shall be assessed at just value as of the next assessment date after a change of ownership or control, as defined by general law, including any change of ownership of the legal entity that owns the property. Thereafter, such property shall be assessed as provided in this subsection.
(4) The legislature may provide that such property shall be assessed at just value as of the next assessment date after a change of ownership or control, as defined by general law, including any change of ownership of the legal entity that owns the property. Thereafter, such property shall be assessed as provided in this subsection.
(5) Changes, additions, reductions, or improvements to such property shall be assessed as provided for by general law; however, after the adjustment for any change, addition, reduction, or improvement, the property shall be assessed as provided in this subsection.
(i) The legislature, by general law and subject to conditions specified therein, may prohibit the consideration of the following in the determination of the assessed value of real property:
(1) Any change or improvement to real property used for residential purposes made to improve the property's resistance to wind damage.
(2) The installation of a solar or renew-

able energy source device.
(j) (1) The assessment of the following working waterfront properties shall be based upon the current use of the property: a. Land used predominantly for commercial fishing purposes. b. Land that is accessible to the public and used for vessel launches into waters that are navigable. c. Marinas and drystacks that are open to the public. d. Water-dependent marine manufacturing facilities, commercial fishing facilities, and marine vessel construction and repair facilities and their support activities.
(2) The assessment benefit provided by this subsection is subject to conditions and limitations and reasonable definitions as specified by the legislature by general law.

ARTICLE XII, SCHEDULE
Transfer of the accrued benefit from property tax assessments; increased portability period.—This section and the amendment to Section 4 of Article VII, which extends to three years the time period during which the accrued benefit from specified limitations on homestead property tax assessments may be transferred from a prior homestead to a new homestead, shall take effect January 1, 2021.

**No. 6
Constitutional Amendment
Article VII, Section 6 and Article XII**

ARTICLE VII Finance and Taxation SECTION 6. Homestead exemptions.— (a) Every person who has the legal or equitable title to real estate and maintains thereon the permanent residence of the owner, or another legally or naturally dependent upon the owner, shall be exempt from taxation thereon, except assessments for special benefits, up to the assessed valuation of twenty-five thousand dollars and, for all levies other than school district levies, on the assessed valuation greater than fifty thousand 1 dollars and up to seventy-five thousand dollars, upon establishment of right thereto in the manner prescribed by law. The real estate may be held by legal or equitable title, by the entireties, jointly, in common, as a condominium, or indirectly by stock ownership or membership representing the owner's or member's proprietary interest in a corporation owning a fee or a leasehold initially in excess of ninety-eight years. The exemption shall not apply with respect to any assessment roll until such roll is first determined to be in compliance with the provisions of section 4 by a state agency designated by general law. This exemption is repealed on the effective date of any amendment to this Article which provides for the assessment of homestead property at less than just value.
(b) Not more than one exemption shall be allowed any individual or family unit or with respect to any residential unit. No exemption shall exceed the value of the real estate assessable to the owner or, in case of ownership through stock or membership in a corporation, the value of the proportion which the interest in the corporation bears to the assessed value of the property.
(c) By general law and subject to conditions specified therein, the Legislature may provide to renters, who are permanent residents, ad valorem tax relief on all ad valorem tax levies. Such ad valorem tax relief shall be in the form and amount established by general law.
(d) The legislature may, by general law, allow counties or municipalities, for the purpose of their respective tax levies and subject to the provisions of general law, to grant either or both of the following additional homestead tax exemptions:
(1) An exemption not exceeding fifty thousand dollars to a person who has the legal or equitable title to real estate and maintains thereon the permanent residence of the owner, who has attained age sixty-five, and whose household income, as defined by general law, does not exceed twenty thousand dollars; or
(2) An exemption equal to the assessed value of the property to a person who has the legal or equitable title to real estate with a just value less than two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, as determined in the first tax year that the owner applies and is eligible for the exemption, and who has maintained thereon the permanent residence of the owner for not less than twenty-five years, who has attained age sixty-five,

and whose household income does not exceed the income limitation prescribed in paragraph (1). The general law must allow counties and municipalities to grant these additional exemptions, within the limits prescribed in this subsection, by ordinance adopted in the manner prescribed by general law, and must provide for the periodic adjustment of the income limitation prescribed in this subsection for changes in the cost of living.
(e)(1) Each veteran who is age 65 or older who is partially or totally permanently disabled shall receive a discount from the amount of the ad valorem tax otherwise owed on homestead property the veteran owns and resides in if the disability was combat related and the veteran was honorably discharged upon separation from military service. The discount shall be in a percentage equal to the percentage of the veteran's permanent, service-connected disability as determined by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs. To qualify for the discount granted by this paragraph subsection, an applicant must submit to the county property appraiser, by March 1, an official letter from the United States Department of Veterans Affairs stating the percentage of the veteran's service-connected disability and such evidence that reasonably identifies the disability as combat related and a copy of the veteran's honorable discharge. If the property appraiser denies the request for a discount, the appraiser must notify the applicant in writing of the reasons for the denial, and the veteran may reapply. The Legislature may, by general law, waive the annual application requirement in subsequent years.
(2) If a veteran who receives the discount described in paragraph (1) predeceases his or her spouse, and if, upon the death of the veteran, the surviving spouse holds the legal or beneficial title to the homestead property and permanently resides thereon, the discount carries over to the surviving spouse until he or she remarries or sells or otherwise disposes of the homestead property. If the surviving spouse sells or otherwise disposes of the property, a discount not to exceed the dollar amount granted from the most recent ad valorem tax roll may be transferred to the surviving spouse's new homestead property, if used as his or her permanent residence and he or she has not remarried.
(3) This subsection is self-executing and does not require implementing legislation.
(f) By general law and subject to conditions and limitations specified therein, the Legislature may provide ad valorem tax relief equal to the total amount or a portion of the ad valorem tax otherwise owed on homestead property to:
(1) The surviving spouse of a veteran who died from service-connected causes while on active duty as a member of the United States Armed Forces.
(2) The surviving spouse of a first responder who died in the line of duty.
(3) A first responder who is totally and permanently disabled as a result of an injury or injuries sustained in the line of duty. Causal connection between a disability and service in the line of duty shall not be presumed but must be determined as provided by general law. For purposes of this paragraph, the term "disability" does not include a chronic condition or chronic disease, unless the injury sustained in the line of duty was the sole cause of the chronic condition or chronic disease. As used in this subsection and as further defined by general law, the term "first responder" means a law enforcement officer, a correctional officer, a firefighter, an emergency medical technician, or a paramedic, and the term "in the line of duty" means arising out of and in the actual performance of duty required by employment as a first responder.

ARTICLE XII, SCHEDULE
Ad valorem tax discount for surviving spouses of certain permanently disabled veterans.—The amendment to Section 6 of Article VII, relating to the ad valorem tax discount for spouses 144 of certain deceased veterans who had permanent, combat-related disabilities, and this section shall take effect January 1, 2021.

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PROPUESTAS DE ENMIENDAS Y REVISIONES CONSTITUCIONALES PARA LA ELECCION GENERAL DEL 2020

Yo, LAUREL M LEE, Secretario de Estado de la Florida, por el presente notifico que el título del boleta, el resumen del boleta, y según se aplique, la declaración de impacto financiero, de las siguientes enmiendas constitucionales propuestas y revisiones estarán en el boleta de las elecciones generales del 2020 en el día 3 de noviembre, 2020, en cada condado. El texto completo de estas enmiendas como se presenten aquí también se puede encontrar en DOS.Elections.MyFlorida.com/initiatives, en FloridaPublicNotices.com, y en el sitio web de este periódico.

Núm. 1 Enmienda Constitucional Artículo VI, Sección 2

ARTÍCULO VI, SECCIÓN 2. Voteantes. Cada ciudad tiene solo un ciudadano de los Estados Unidos que tenga al menos dieciocho años de edad y que sea residente permanente del estado, si está registrado según lo dispuesto por la ley, será un votante del condado donde se registró.

Núm. 2 Enmienda Constitucional Artículo X, Sección 24

ARTÍCULO X, SECCIÓN 24. Salario mínimo de Florida de la Florida.- (c) SALARIO MÍNIMO. Los empleadores deberán pagar a sus empleados salarios no menores al salario mínimo por todas las horas trabajadas en la Florida. Seis meses después de la promulgación, el salario mínimo se establecerá a una tarifa por hora de \$ 6,15. A partir del 30 de septiembre de 2021, el salario mínimo estatal actual se incrementará a \$ 10,00 por hora y luego aumentará \$ 1,00 por hora todos los 30 de septiembre hasta que el salario mínimo alcance los \$ 15,00 por hora el 30 de septiembre de 2026. El 30 de septiembre de 2027 que año y cada 30 de septiembre siguiente, la Agencia para la Innovación de la Fuerza Laboral del Estado de la Florida (Agency for Workforce Innovation) calculará una tasa de salario mínimo ajustada, incrementando la tasa de salario mínimo actual según la tasa de inflación durante los doce meses anteriores a cada 1 de septiembre. Para ello, utilizan el índice de precios al consumidor para el salario urbano asalariados y trabajadores de oficina, CPI-W, o un índice sucesor calculado por el Departamento de Trabajo de los Estados Unidos. Cada tasa de salario mínimo ajustada calculada se publicará y entrará en vigencia el siguiente 1 de enero. Para los empleados que reciben propinas y cumplen con los requisitos de elegibilidad para el crédito por propina según la FLSA (Ley de Normas Laborales Justa), los empleadores pueden tomar como crédito por propina para el salario mínimo el monto del crédito por propina permitido de la FLSA en 2003 como máximo.

Núm. 3 Enmienda Constitucional Artículo VI, Sección 5

ARTÍCULO VI, SECCIÓN 5 Elecciones primarias, generales y especiales. (c) Todas las elecciones para la legislatura, el gobernador y el gabinete de Florida se llevarán a cabo de la siguiente manera:
(1) Se realizará una elección primaria única para cada cargo. Todos los electores registrados para votar para el cargo a cubrir, podrán votar en las elecciones primarias para dicho cargo, independientemente de la afiliación o no afiliación de los votantes, o de cualquier candidato, a un partido político.
(2) Todos los candidatos que califiquen para la elección para el cargo se colocarán en la misma boleta electoral para las elecciones primarias, independientemente de la afiliación o no de cualquier candidato a algún partido político.
(3) Los dos candidatos que obtengan la mayoría de los votos avanzarán a las elecciones generales. Para las elecciones en las que solo dos candidatos califiquen para el mismo cargo, no se realizarán elecciones primarias y el ganador se determinará en las elecciones generales.
(4) Nada en este inciso prohibirá a un partido político nominar a un candidato para postularse para un cargo bajo este inciso. Nada en este inciso prohibirá que un partido respalde o apoye a un candidato de acuerdo a lo dispuesto por la ley. La afiliación de un candidato a un partido político puede aparecer en la boleta electoral según lo dispuesto por la ley.
(5) Esta enmienda es autoejecutable.

y entrará en vigencia el 1 de enero de 2024.

Núm. 4 Enmienda Constitucional Artículo XI, Secciones 5 y 7

ARTÍCULO XI, SECCIÓN 5. Elección de enmienda o revisión.
(a) Una enmienda o revisión propuesta de esta constitución, o cualquier parte de ella, se presentará a los electores en las próximas elecciones generales a llevarse a cabo más de noventa días después de la resolución conjunta o informe de la comisión de revisión, convención constitucional o impuestos y la comisión de reforma presupuestaria que propone que se presente ante el custodio de los registros estatales, a menos que, de conformidad con la ley promulgada por el voto afirmativo de tres cuartas partes de los miembros de cada cámara de la legislatura y se limite a una sola enmienda o revisión, se presente en una elección especial anterior a llevarse a cabo más de noventa días después de dicha presentación. Si la enmienda o revisión propuesta se aprueba según lo dispuesto en el inciso (e), se presentará a los electores por segunda vez en las próximas elecciones generales que ocurran al menos diez semanas después de la elección en la que se apruebe inicialmente la enmienda o revisión propuesta.
(b) Una enmienda o revisión propuesta de esta constitución, o cualquier parte de ella, por iniciativa se presentará a los electores en las elecciones generales siempre que la petición de iniciativa se presente al custodio de los registros estatales a más tardar el 1 de febrero del año en el que se lleva a cabo la elección general. Si la enmienda o revisión propuesta se aprueba según lo dispuesto en el inciso (e), se presentará a los electores por segunda vez en la próxima elección general.
(c) La legislatura proporcionará, por ley general, antes de llevar a cabo una elección de conformidad con esta sección, la provisión de una declaración al público sobre el probable impacto financiero de cualquier enmienda propuesta por iniciativa de conformidad con la sección 3.
(d) Una vez en la décima semana, y una vez en la sexta semana inmediatamente anterior a la semana en que se lleva a cabo una elección, la enmienda o revisión propuesta, con aviso de la fecha de elección en la que se presentará a los electores, se publicará en un periódico de circulación general en cada condado en el que se publique un periódico.
(e) A menos que se especifique lo contrario en otra parte de esta constitución, si la enmienda o revisión propuesta se aprueba por votación de al menos el sesenta por ciento de los electores que votan con respecto a la medida en cada una de las dos elecciones, será efectiva como una enmienda o revisión de la constitución del estado el primer martes después del primer lunes de enero posterior a la segunda elección en la que se aprueba la enmienda o revisión propuesta, o en la fecha que se especifique en la enmienda o revisión.
SECCIÓN 7. Limitación de impuestos o tasas. No obstante, el Artículo X, Sección 12 (d) de esta constitución, no se impondrá ningún impuesto o tasa del Estado nueva a partir del 8 de noviembre de 1994 por ninguna enmienda a esta constitución a menos que la enmienda propuesta sea aprobada por no menos más de dos tercios de los votantes que votan en cada una de las dos elecciones en las que se considera dicha enmienda propuesta. Para los fines de esta sección, la frase "nuevo impuesto o tasa estatal" significará cualquier impuesto o tasa que produzca ingresos sujetos a una suma global el 13 de diciembre de 2019 u otra apropiación por parte de la Legislatura, ya sea para el fondo general de ingresos del Estado o cualquier fondo fiduciario, cuyo impuesto o tasa no esté vigente el 7 de noviembre de 1994, incluidos los impuestos y tasas que son objeto de las enmiendas constitucionales propuestas que aparecen en la boleta electoral del 8 de noviembre de 1994. Esta sección se aplicará a las enmiendas constitucionales propuestas relacionadas con los impuestos o tasas del Estado que aparecen en la boleta electoral del 8 de noviembre de 1994, o en las boletas posteriores, y cualquier enmienda propuesta que no obtenga el voto de dos tercios requerido por la presente será nula y sin efecto.

Núm. 5 Enmienda Constitucional Artículo VII, Sección 4 y Artículo XII

ARTÍCULO VII Finanzas e Impuestos, SECCIÓN 4. Impuestos; evaluacio-

nes.-
Conforme la ley general se establecerán disposiciones para asegurar una justa valuación de todos los bienes alcanzados por los impuestos Ad Valorem, con las condiciones que se enumeran a continuación:
(a) La propiedad destinada a la explotación agrícola, la propiedad que genera gran recarga de agua para los acuíferos de la Florida o la propiedad utilizada en forma exclusiva para fines recreativos no comerciales será clasificada por la ley general y evaluada únicamente en razón de su naturaleza o su uso.
(b) Según lo dispuesto por la ley general y sujeto a las condiciones, limitaciones y definiciones razonables especificadas en el mismo, la tierra utilizada para fines de conservación se clasificará por ley general y se evaluará únicamente en función de su carácter o uso.
(c) Conforme la ley general los bienes personales tangibles conservados para la venta en unidades de intercambio comercial o en cabezas de ganado podrán valuarse para la determinación de impuestos a un porcentaje específico de su valor, podrán clasificarse para la determinación de impuestos, o podrán estar exentos del pago de impuesto.
(d) A las personas con derecho a la exención del pago de impuestos a la propiedad constituida en bien de familia conforme al Artículo 6 de este Artículo se las evaluará su bien de familia al justo valor vigente al 1° de enero del año posterior a la fecha en que esta reforma entre en vigencia. Esta evaluación solo cambiará según lo dispuesto en este inciso.
(1) Las evaluaciones sujetas a este inciso se modificarán anualmente el 1 de enero de cada año sin que tales modificaciones excedan el monto menor de los enumerados a continuación:
a. Tres por ciento (3%) de la evaluación del año anterior
b. El cambio porcentual en el Índice de Precios al Consumidor en las ciudades, todos los Items 1967=100, o informes subsiguientes para el año calendario anterior según lo informado por el Ministerio de Trabajo de los Estados Unidos y el organismo de Estadísticas Laborales.
(2) Ninguna evaluación excederá el valor justo.
(3) Con posterioridad a cualquier cambio de dominio, conforme lo establecido por la ley general, la propiedad constituida en bien de familia será evaluada al justo valor vigente al 1 de enero del año posterior a la constitución del bien de familia, salvo que se apliquen las disposiciones del párrafo (8). A partir de entonces, la propiedad constituida en bien de familia será evaluada conforme las disposiciones establecidas en este inciso.
(4) La nueva propiedad constituida en bien de familia se evaluará según el justo valor vigente al 1 de enero del año posterior a la constitución del bien de familia, salvo que se apliquen las disposiciones del párrafo (8). Esa evaluación solo podrá modificarse según lo dispuesto en este inciso.
(5) Las reformas, agregados, reducciones o mejoras a la propiedad constituida en bien de familia se evaluarán conforme la ley general con la condición de que, con posterioridad a la revisión de la evaluación de cualquier reforma, agregado, reducción o mejora, la propiedad se evaluará conforme lo establecido en este inciso.
(6) En caso de que caduque la condición de bien de familia, la propiedad se evaluará conforme lo dispuesto por ley general.
(7) Las disposiciones de esta reforma podrán ser consideradas en forma separada. En caso de que cualquiera de las disposiciones de esta reforma sea declarada inconstitucional por un tribunal competente, la decisión de tal tribunal no afectará ni limitará las restantes disposiciones de esta reforma (8)
(a) La persona que constituye un nuevo bien de familia al 1 de enero de 2009 o al 1 de enero de los años subsiguientes que haya recibido una exención al pago de impuestos sobre la propiedad constituida como bien de familia conforme el Artículo 6 al 1 de enero de cualquier de los dos años inmediatos anteriores a la constitución del nuevo bien de familia tendrá derecho a una evaluación del nuevo bien de familia a un valor menor al valor justo. Si esta revisión se aprueba en enero de 2008, una persona que establezca una nueva propiedad constituida como bien de familia a partir del 1 de enero de 2008, tiene derecho a que dicha propiedad sea evaluada a un valor menor al justo solo si esa persona recibió una exención de propiedad constituida como bien de familia el 1 de enero de 2007. El valor de la propiedad recientemente constituida como bien de familia se determinará de la siguiente manera:

1. Si el justo valor de la propiedad recientemente constituida en bien de familia es mayor o igual al justo valor de la propiedad anterior constituida en bien de familia al 1 de enero del año en que la propiedad anterior fuera destituida, el valor de la propiedad recientemente constituida en bien de familia será igual al justo valor del nuevo bien de familia menos un monto equivalente al menor monto entre \$ 500.000 y la diferencia entre el justo valor y el valor determinado del bien de familia anterior al 1 de enero del año en que el bien de familia anterior fuera destituido. A partir de entonces, la propiedad constituida en bien de familia será evaluada conforme las disposiciones establecidas en este inciso.
2. En caso de que el justo valor del nuevo bien de familia resulte inferior al justo valor del bien de familia anterior vigente al 1 de enero del año en que el bien de familia anterior fuera destituido, el valor determinado del nuevo bien de familia será igual al justo valor del nuevo bien de familia dividido por el justo valor del bien de familia anterior y multiplicado por el valor determinado del bien de familia anterior. Sin embargo, en caso de que la diferencia entre el justo valor del nuevo bien de familia y el valor determinado del nuevo bien de familia calculado conforme este párrafo, sea mayor a \$ 500.000, el valor determinado del nuevo bien de familia será incrementado de manera tal que la diferencia entre el justo valor y el valor determinado sea igual a \$ 500.000. A partir de entonces, la propiedad constituida en bien de familia será evaluada conforme las disposiciones establecidas en este inciso.
b. Por aplicación de la ley general y conforme los principios allí establecidos, la legislatura preverá la aplicación de este párrafo a la propiedad que tenga más de un propietario.
(e) La legislatura podrá, por ley general, a los fines de la evaluación y conforme las disposiciones de este inciso, facultar a los condados y municipalidades a autorizar por ordenanza la evaluación de propiedad histórica únicamente en razón de su naturaleza o uso. Dicha evaluación en razón de su naturaleza o uso será aplicable únicamente dentro de la jurisdicción donde se aplique la ordenanza. Los requerimientos para la propiedad considerada admisible serán establecidos por ley general.
(f) Un condado podrá, de la manera establecida por la ley general, prever la reducción del valor determinado de la propiedad constituida en bien de familia en el marco de cualquier incremento en el valor determinado de tal propiedad que resulte de la construcción o reconstrucción de la propiedad con el propósito de asignar un espacio para la vivienda a uno o varios padres o abuelos biológicos o adoptivos del propietario o del cónyuge en caso de que al menos uno de los padres o abuelos para quien se provee el espacio para la vivienda tenga 62 años o más de edad. Tal reducción no deberá ser superior al monto menor de los ítems enumerados a continuación:
(1) El incremento del valor determinado resultante de la construcción o reconstrucción de la propiedad.
(2) El veinte por ciento del valor determinado total de la propiedad mejorada.
(g) En relación con todas las obligaciones a excepción de las obligaciones en razón del distrito escolar, la evaluación de la propiedad residencial, tal como la define la ley general, que consiste en nueve ambientes o menos y que no está sujeta a las restricciones de la evaluación establecidas en los incisos comprendidos desde (a) hasta (d), se modificará únicamente conforme a lo dispuesto en este inciso.
(1) Las evaluaciones alcanzadas por este inciso se modificarán anualmente en la fecha de evaluación establecida por la ley; a condición de que tales modificaciones en las evaluaciones no superen el diez por ciento (10%) de la evaluación del año anterior.
(2) Ninguna evaluación excederá el valor justo.
(3) Con posterioridad a un cambio de dominio o administración, conforme lo establecido por la ley general, incluido cualquier cambio en la titularidad de la propiedad, tal propiedad será evaluada en razón del justo valor vigente a la próxima fecha de evaluación. A partir de entonces, la propiedad será evaluada según lo dispuesto en este inciso.
(4) Las reformas, agregados, reducciones o mejoras a la mencionada propiedad serán evaluadas conforme lo establecido por la ley general. Sin embargo, luego de la revisión por cualquier reforma, agregado, reducción o mejora, la propiedad será evaluada conforme las disposiciones establecidas en este inciso.
(h) En relación con todas las obliga-

ciones a excepción de las obligaciones en razón del distrito escolar, las evaluaciones de bienes reales que no estén sujetos a las restricciones a la evaluación establecidas en los incisos comprendidos de (a) a (d) y (g) podrán modificarse únicamente según lo establecido en este inciso.
(1) Las evaluaciones alcanzadas por este inciso se modificarán anualmente en la fecha de evaluación establecida por la ley; a condición de que tales modificaciones en las evaluaciones no superen el diez por ciento (10%) de la evaluación del año anterior.
(2) Ninguna evaluación excederá el valor justo.
(3) La legislatura preverá la evaluación de la mencionada propiedad en razón del justo valor a la fecha de evaluación posterior a una mejora de calidad, conforme lo define la ley general, realizada en la propiedad. A partir de entonces, la propiedad será evaluada según lo dispuesto en este inciso.
(4) La legislatura podrá establecer la condición de que la mencionada propiedad sea evaluada en razón del justo valor a la fecha de evaluación posterior al cambio de dominio o administración, según lo define la ley general, incluido cualquier cambio en la titularidad de la institución legal propietaria de la propiedad. A partir de entonces, la propiedad será evaluada según lo dispuesto en este inciso.
(5) Las reformas, agregados, reducciones o mejoras a la mencionada propiedad serán evaluadas conforme lo establecido por la ley general. Sin embargo, luego de la revisión por cualquier reforma, agregado, reducción o mejora, la propiedad será evaluada conforme las disposiciones establecidas en este inciso.
(i) La legislatura, conforme la ley general y sujeto a las condiciones allí establecidas podrá prohibir la consideración de lo enumerado a continuación en relación con la determinación del valor de la propiedad utilizada para fines residenciales:
(1) Cualquier reforma o mejora realizada con el propósito de mejorar la resistencia al daño causado por viento.
(2) La instalación de un dispositivo de fuente de energía solar u otra energía renovable.
(j)
(1) La evaluación de la propiedad costera utilizable se realizará en base al uso actual de la propiedad:
a. Propiedad utilizada principalmente para la pesca comercial.
b. Propiedad accesible al público utilizada para el lanzamiento de embarcaciones en aguas navegables.
c. Marinas y guarderías fuera del agua con acceso al público.
d. Astilleros dependientes del agua, instalaciones para la pesca comercial e instalaciones para la construcción y reparación de embarcaciones y sus actividades de soporte.
(2) El beneficio para la evaluación que se establece en este inciso está sujeto a las condiciones y restricciones y las definiciones razonables conforme lo dispone la legislatura y la ley general.

ARTÍCULO XII, ANEXO
Transferencia del beneficio acumulado según las limitaciones especificadas en las evaluaciones del impuesto a la propiedad: mayor período de portabilidad. Esta sección y la enmienda a la Sección 4 del Artículo VII, que se extiende a tres años, el período durante el cual el beneficio acumulado de las limitaciones especificadas en las evaluaciones del impuesto a la propiedad de la propiedad puede transferirse de una propiedad anterior a una nueva propiedad, entrará en vigencia el 1 de enero de 2021.

Núm. 6 Enmienda Constitucional Artículo VII, Sección 6 y Artículo XII

ARTÍCULO VII Finanzas y Tributación, SECCIÓN 6. Exenciones fiscales para la vivienda constituida como bien de familia.-
(a) Toda persona que tenga el título legal o equitativo de bienes inmuebles y mantenga allí la residencia permanente del propietario, u otra persona legal o naturalmente dependiente del propietario, estará exenta de impuestos al respecto, excepto las evaluaciones de beneficios especiales, hasta la tasación de veinticinco mil dólares y, para todas las obligaciones distintas a las obligaciones del distrito escolar, en la valuación tasada mayor de cincuenta mil dólares y hasta setenta y cinco mil dólares, una vez establecido el derecho a los mismos en la forma prescrita por ley. La titularidad sobre los bienes raíces podrá ser legal o equitativa, mancomunada, solidaria, en común, como condominio, o indirectamente mediante la tenencia de acciones o la partici-

pación que representen el derecho de propiedad del propietario o socio en una sociedad que tenga el dominio o los derechos de arrendamiento que inicialmente superen noventa y ocho años. La exención no se aplicará respecto a ningún registro de tasación hasta que primero un organismo estatal designado por la ley general determine que dicho registro cumple las disposiciones de la sección 4. Esta exención se revocará en la fecha de entrada en vigencia de cualquier enmienda a este Artículo que disponga la tasación de la propiedad constituida como bien de familia a un valor inferior al valor justo.
(b) No se le permitirá más de una exención a ninguna persona o unidad familiar respecto a ninguna unidad residencial. Ninguna exención superará el valor de los bienes raíces tasables al propietario o, en caso de dominio mediante acciones o participación en una sociedad, el valor de la proporción que devengue la participación en la sociedad sobre valor tasado del inmueble.
(c) De conformidad con la ley general y con sujeción a las condiciones que se especifican en la misma, el Poder Legislativo podrá entregarles a los arrendatarios que sean residentes permanentes una desgravación fiscal ad valorem sobre todas las obligaciones fiscales ad valorem. Dicha desgravación fiscal ad valorem se establecerá de la forma y en el monto que disponga la ley general.
(d) El poder legislativo podrá, de conformidad con la ley general, permitirles a los condados o municipios, para efectos de sus gravámenes fiscales respectivos y con sujeción a las disposiciones de la ley general, conceder cualquiera de las siguientes exenciones fiscales adicionales para la propiedad constituida como bien de familia o ambas:
(1) Una exención que no supere cincuenta mil dólares para una persona que tenga titularidad legal o equitativa sobre bienes raíces y mantenga en los mismos la residencia permanente del propietario, que haya cumplido la edad de sesenta y cinco años, y cuyos ingresos del hogar, según lo define la ley general, no superen veinticinco mil dólares; o
(2) Una exención equivalente al valor tasado del inmueble para una persona que tenga titularidad legal o equitativa sobre los bienes raíces con un valor justo inferior a doscientos cincuenta mil dólares, según se determine en el primer ejercicio fiscal que aplique el propietario y que cumpla los requisitos para la exención, y que haya mantenido en los mismos la residencia permanente del propietario durante al menos veinticinco años, que haya cumplido la edad de sesenta y cinco años, y cuyos ingresos del hogar no superen la limitación sobre ingresos que se prescribe en el párrafo (1).
La ley general debe permitirles a los condados y municipios conceder dichas exenciones adicionales, dentro de los límites que se prescriben en este inciso, mediante una ordenanza que se adopte de la manera que lo prescribe la ley general, y debe disponer el ajuste periódico de la limitación sobre ingresos que se prescribe en este inciso respecto a los cambios en el costo de vida.
(e)
(1) Cada veterano que tenga 65 años o más y que se encuentre completa o parcialmente discapacitado recibirá un descuento del monto del impuesto ad valorem que se adeude sobre la vivienda familiar que posea el veterano y donde el mismo resida si la discapacidad hubiera sido causada por el combate y el veterano hubiera sido dado de baja con honor tras retirarse del servicio militar. El descuento se expresará en un porcentaje equivalente al porcentaje de la discapacidad permanente vinculada al servicio del veterano, según lo determine el Departamento de Asuntos de los Veteranos de los Estados Unidos. Para calificar para el descuento otorgado por el párrafo ~~inise~~, el solicitante debe presentar al tasador de propiedades del condado, antes del 1 de marzo, una carta oficial del Departamento de Asuntos de los Veteranos de los Estados Unidos que indique el porcentaje de discapacidad relacionada con el servicio del veterano como relacionado con el combate y una copia de la baja honorable del veterano. Si el tasador inmobiliario rechaza la solicitud de descuento, el tasador debe notificarle al solicitante por escrito los motivos del rechazo y el veterano podrá volver a realizar la solicitud. El Poder Legislativo podrá, de conformidad con la ley general, desistir del requerimiento anual de solicitudes en los años posteriores.
(2) Si un veterano que recibe el descuento descrito en el párrafo (1) antecede a su cónyuge, y si, al fallecer el veterano, el cónyuge sobreviviente posee el título legal o beneficioso de

la propiedad constituida como bien de familia y reside permanentemente en ella, el descuento se transfiere al cónyuge sobreviviente hasta que él o ella se vuelva a casar, venda o de otra manera disponga de la propiedad. Si el cónyuge sobreviviente vende o de otra manera dispone de la propiedad, un descuento que no exceda el monto en dólares otorgado por la lista de impuestos ad valorem más reciente puede transferirse a la nueva propiedad constituida como bien de familia del cónyuge sobreviviente, si se utiliza como su residencia permanente y él o ella no se ha vuelto a casar.

(3) Este inciso tiene efecto inmediato y no necesita legislación de implementación.

(f) De conformidad con la ley general y con sujeción a las condiciones y limitaciones que se especifican en la misma, el Poder Legislativo podrá entregarle una desgravación fiscal ad valorem equivalente al monto total o una parte del impuesto ad valorem que se adeude sobre la vivienda constituida como bien de familia a:

(1) El cónyuge sobreviviente de un veterano que haya muerto durante su servicio activo en calidad de miembro de las Fuerzas Armadas de los Estados Unidos.

(2) El cónyuge sobreviviente de un primer interviniente que haya muerto en acto de servicio.

(3) Un primer interviniente que se encuentre completa y permanentemente discapacitado a causa de una lesión o lesiones que haya sufrido en acto de servicio. La conexión causal entre una discapacidad y el acto de servicio no debe presumirse, sino que determinarse según lo dispone la ley general. Para efectos de este apartado, el término "discapacidad" no incluye una afección crónica o enfermedad crónica, a menos que la lesión que se haya sufrido en acto de servicio hubiera sido la única causa de la afección crónica y la enfermedad crónica.

Según se usa en este inciso y según lo define más extensamente la ley general, el término "primer interviniente" hace referencia a una autoridad encargada de hacer cumplir la ley, un oficial correccional, un bombero, un técnico médico de emergencia o un paramédico, y el término "en servicio activo" significa que surge a raíz del desempeño real del servicio que sea necesario en virtud del trabajo como primer interviniente.

ARTÍCULO XII, ANEXO
Descuento fiscal ad valorem para cónyuges de ciertos veteranos fallecidos que tenían discapacidades permanentes. La enmienda a la Sección 6 del Artículo VII, relacionada con el descuento fiscal ad valorem para cónyuges de ciertos veteranos fallecidos que tenían discapacidades permanentes relacionadas con el combate y este artículo entrarán en vigor el 1 de enero de 2021.

Legal 46574 published Aug 27 and Sept 24, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Todaynewspaper

LEGAL NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that the Town Council of the Town of Orange Park will hold a public hearing an ordinance amending Chapter 36 of the Code of the Town of Orange Park; designating the responsibility of contractors or owners of active or inactive construction sites for the management and removal of site debris; establishing a requirement for implementation of stormwater runoff and water pollution prevention methods; providing for conflicts, severability, and an immediate effective date.

This public hearing will be held on Tuesday, September 15, 2020 in the Orange Park Town Hall Council Chambers, the corner of Park and Kingsley Avenue at 7:00 P.M. The Council of the Town of Orange Park will consider said ordinance for final action. Any person deciding to appeal any decision made by the Council of the Town of Orange Park with respect to any matter considered at this meeting or hearing will need a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record would include the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. Copies of this ordinance may be examined in the office of the Town Clerk, Monday through Friday from 8:00 A.M. until 5:00 P.M. Interested parties may attend the meeting and be heard.

Courtney Russo, Town Clerk
Legal 46559 published Aug 27, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper



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LEGAL NOTICE

THE BOARD OF THE CLAY COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY WILL HOLD A SPECIAL MEETING TO DISCUSS THE ORANGE PARK PLAZA ON THE FOLLOWING DATE AND TIME:
DATE: WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2020
Time: 4:00 p.m.
LOCATION: CLAY COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BOARDROOM, 1845 Town Center Blvd, Suite 410, Fleming Island, FL, 32003

UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTICED, ANY SPECIAL COMMITTEES OF THE CLAY COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY WILL BE HELD AN HOUR PRIOR TO THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING DATES AND TIMES OR, AS SOON THEREAFTER AS MAY BE CONDUCTED.

PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT IF A PERSON DECIDES TO APPEAL ANY DECISION MADE BY THE BOARD, AGENCY, COMMISSION, OR COMMITTEE WITH RESPECT TO ANY MATTER CONSIDERED AT SUCH MEETING OR HEARING, HE/SHE WILL NEED A RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS, AND FOR SUCH PURPOSE, HE/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. SUCH RECORDS WILL NOT BE PROVIDED BY THE CLAY COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AND MUST BE PROVIDED BY THE INDIVIDUAL MAKING THE APPEAL.

Legal 46581 published Aug 27, 2020 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

Kristi Wyza - Hsld gds/Furn 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 to the highest bidder or otherwise disposed of at public auction or otherwise disposed of at a public auction to be held online at www.StorageTreasures.com, which will end on **Friday, September 25, 2020 at 10:00 AM**

Any questions regarding the above information are to be addressed to the manager of this facility at the phone number shown above.

Legal 46588 published Aug 27 and Sept 3, 2020 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
 CIVIL DIVISION
 CASE NUMBER: 10-2019-DP-000075
 DIVISION: JV-F

IN THE INTEREST OF: B.G.

A MINOR CHILD
 THE STATE OF FLORIDA
TO: Allen Grimes, FATHER
 Last Known Address
 6192 Furman Avenue
 Keystone Heights, Florida 32656

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, B.G, who was born on February 16, 2015. You are hereby commanded to appear before the Honorable Judge Steven B. Whittington, the Clay County Courthouse, Juvenile Dependency Courtroom, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida at the hour of 9:00 a.m. o'clock on September 18, 2020, A.D. You must appear at the hearing on the date and time specified.
FAILURE TO PERSONALLY

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APPEAR AT THIS ADVISORY HEARING CONSTITUTES CONSENT TO THE TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THESE CHILDREN. IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR ON THE DATE AND TIME SPECIFIED YOU MAY LOSE ALL LEGAL RIGHTS TO THESE 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 crntinrp@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 5th day of August, 2020.

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

Legal 46494 published Aug 13, Aug 20, Aug 27 and Sept 3, 2020, in Clay County's Clay Today

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Clay County School Board will hold its Regular Monthly Meeting on **Thursday, September 3, 2020, at 6:00 p.m.** in the Teacher Inservice Center located at Fleming Island High School, 2233 Village Square Parkway, Fleming Island, Florida 32003.

COVID-19 NOTICE: Due to the public health emergency in the state and the emergency orders entered by the Governor of the state and various agencies, this School Board meeting will be limited to the first 35 public attendees. **The meeting will be televised on cable T.V. and also will be available for live viewing on YouTube.** Comments will be taken on listed agenda items. No comments will be taken on topics which are not on the agenda. To address comments or concerns on an agenda topic, go to the District homepage "oneclay.net," scroll over to "School Board," and then scroll down and click on "School Board Meeting Links." A comment link will be available on that page to the right of "School Board Agendas." Comments must be posted before 2:00 p.m. on September 3, 2020 to be considered and published at the meeting. **NOTE: The commenter's name and address will be required in order to complete the comment form.** 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 46587 published Aug 27, 2020 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: 10-2020-CA-000215
 Division: B

SELECT PORTFOLIO SERVICING, INC.
 Plaintiff,
 vs.
KRISTIN R. PAULICK A/K/A KRISTIN PAULICK A/K/A KRISTIN R. REDEKER, JAMES PAULICK A/K/A JAMES ARTHUR PAULICK A/K/A JAMES A. PAULICK, et al.
 Defendants.

TO: KRISTIN R. PAULICK A/K/A KRISTIN PAULICK A/K/A KRISTIN R. REDEKER
 CURRENT RESIDENCE UNKNOWN
 LAST KNOWN ADDRESS
 3902 MILWAUKEE ST
 MADISON, WI 53707

You are notified that an action to foreclosure a mortgage on the following property in Clay County, Florida:
LOT 31, CUTTER POINT, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 35, PAGE 59 THROUGH 64, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF

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CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA commonly known as **2535 WATERMILL DR, ORANGE PARK, FL 32073** has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Jennifer M. Scott of Kass Shuler P.A., plaintiff's attorney, whose address is P.O. Box 800, Tampa, Florida, 33601, (813) 229-0900 within 30 days from the first publication, 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.
 Dated: August 19, 2020.

(seal)
CLERK OF THE COURT
 Honorable Tara S Green
 PO BOX 698
 GREEN COVE SPRINGS,
 Florida 32043
 By Kayla R Beard
 Deputy Clerk

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT. 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 for the circuit court system at crntinrp@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 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

Legal 46563 published Aug 27 and Sept 3, 2020 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 the Life Storage location(s) listed below.

Life Storage Store #408 - 1709 Blanding Blvd., Middleburg, FL 32068, 904-282-6341

Pamela A Coates: Hsld Gds/Furn
Marilyn M Schubert: Hsld Gds/Furn, TV/Stereo Equip, Tools/Aplneces
 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 to the highest bidder or otherwise disposed of at a public auction to be held online at www.StorageTreasures.com which will end on Friday, September 25, 2020 @ 10:00 AM

Legal 46571 published Aug 27 and Sept 3, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

PUBLIC SALE

Extra Space Storage will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated:

4653 US 17, Fleming Island, FL, 32003, September 11, 2020, 10:00am
Rachel Clem, Household Goods
 The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storagetreasures.com. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property.

Legal 46541 published Aug 20 and Aug 27, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE ADOPTION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2019/2020 AND THE FISCAL YEAR 2020/2021 BUDGETS; AND NOTICE OF REGULAR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING.

SANDRIDGE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

The Board of Supervisors ("Board") of the Sandridge Community Development District ("District") will hold public hearings on **September 8, 2020 at 11:00 a.m.**, for the purpose of hearing comments and objections on the adoption of the proposed budgets ("Proposed Budgets") of the District for the remainder of the fiscal year ending September 30, 2020 ("Fiscal Year 2019/2020") and the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2020 and ending September 30, 2021 ("Fiscal Year 2020/2021"). A regular Board meeting of the District will also be held at that time where the Board may consider any other business that may

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properly come before it. It is anticipated that the public hearings and meeting will take place at the office of **The Wood Development Company of Jacksonville, 414 Old Hard Road, Suite 502, Fleming Island, Florida 32003.** In the event that the COVID-19 public health emergency prevents the hearings and meeting from occurring in-person, the District may conduct them by telephone or video conferencing communications media technology pursuant to governmental orders, including but not limited to Executive Orders 20-52, 20-69 and 20-179, issued by Governor DeSantis, and any extensions or supplements thereof, and pursuant to Section 120.54(5)(b)2., Florida Statutes. A copy of the agenda and Proposed Budgets, as well as information about how the public hearings and meeting will be held, may be obtained by contacting the offices of the District Manager, Wrathell Hunt & Associates, 2300 Glades Road, Suite 410W, Boca Raton, Florida 33431, (877) 276-0889 ("District Manager's Office"), during normal business hours.

While it may be necessary to hold the above-referenced public hearings and meeting utilizing communications media technology due to the current COVID-19 public health emergency, the District fully encourages public participation in a safe and efficient manner. To that end, anyone wishing to listen to and/or participate in the hearings and meeting may do so telephonically at **1-888-354-0094, CONFERENCE ID: 2144145.** Participants are strongly encouraged to submit questions and comments to the District Manager's Office by email at whhassociates.com or by phone at (877) 276-0889 by September 7, 2020 at 3:00 p.m. in advance of the meeting to facilitate the Board's consideration of such questions and comments during the meeting.

The public hearings and meeting are open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida law. The public hearings and meeting may be continued to a date, time, and place to be specified on the record at the public hearings or meeting.

Any person requiring special accommodations at this meeting and/or public hearings or requiring assistance connecting to any communications media technology because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the District Manager's Office at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting and public hearing. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service by dialing 7-1-1, or 1-800-955-8771 (TTY) / 1-800-955-8770 (Voice), for aid in contacting the District Manager's Office.

Each person who decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at the public hearing or meeting is advised that person will need a record of 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.

Legal 46551 published Aug 20 and Aug 27, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

FICTITIOUS NAME NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that **CURTIS LEE WILLIS**, owner, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of

CURTUNE RECORDS

located at 4816 KALMIA CIR., MIDDLEBURG, FLORIDA 32068 intends to register the said name in CLAY county with the Division of Corporations, Florida Department of State, pursuant to section 865.09 of the Florida Statutes.

Legal 46561 published Aug 27, 2020 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-881
 DIVISION: E

REINHOLD CORPORATION, a Florida corporation,
 Plaintiff,
 vs.

FRANKLIN L. SAUNDERS and/or THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES OR BENEFICIARIES OF FRANKLIN L. SAUNDERS; MORRIS M. SAUNDERS and/or THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES OR BENEFICIARIES OF MORRIS M. SAUNDERS; DOYLE C. SAUNDERS; NANNIE MAE SAUNDERS OUTLAW; PATRICIA ANN SAUNDERS; WAYNE EDWARD SAUNDERS; PATRICIA CARLANN BURNEY; CONNIE SAUNDERS; and JANEY TYRE; MARY B. SAUNDERS, and/or THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES OR BENEFICIARIES OF MARY B. SAUNDERS; DEBORAH L. SAUNDERS; CHARLES M.

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A/K/A BETTE G. ALEXANDER, DECEASED, et al
 Defendant(s)
TO: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OR BENEFICIARIES OF THE ESTATE OF BETTE GRESS ALEXANDER A/K/A BETTE G. ALEXANDER, DECEASED

RESIDENT: Unknown
 LAST KNOWN ADDRESS:
 2558 ZUNNIA STREET,
 MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068

TO: LAWRENCE CHRISTOPHER GRESS

RESIDENT: Unknown
 LAST KNOWN ADDRESS:
 630 COMET ST, JACKSONVILLE, FL 32005-5424

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following described property located in CLAY County, Florida:

LOT 8, BLOCK 111, JACKSONVILLE SOUTH UNIT TWO, AS PER PLAT BOOK 11, PAGES 1 THRU 13 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY FLORIDA.

TOGETHER WITH MOBILE VIN GAFLY75A37149WS21.

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: August 20, 2020.

(seal)
 Tara S. Green
 Clerk of the Circuit Court

By: Kayla R Beard
 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 crntinrp@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 46569 published Aug 27 and Sept 3, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper PH# 98828

FICTITIOUS NAME NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that **OWEN LEE NOLAN**, owner, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of

SOUTHERN WOODS CAMO

located at 2900 BLACK CREEK DRIVE, MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068 intends to register the said name in CLAY county with the Division of Corporations, Florida Department of State, pursuant to section 865.09 of the Florida Statutes.

Legal 46579 published Aug 27, 2020 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-881
 DIVISION: E

REINHOLD CORPORATION, a Florida corporation,
 Plaintiff,
 vs.

FRANKLIN L. SAUNDERS and/or THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES OR BENEFICIARIES OF FRANKLIN L. SAUNDERS; MORRIS M. SAUNDERS and/or THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES OR BENEFICIARIES OF MORRIS M. SAUNDERS; DOYLE C. SAUNDERS; NANNIE MAE SAUNDERS OUTLAW; PATRICIA ANN SAUNDERS; WAYNE EDWARD SAUNDERS; PATRICIA CARLANN BURNEY; CONNIE SAUNDERS; and JANEY TYRE; MARY B. SAUNDERS, and/or THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES OR BENEFICIARIES OF MARY B. SAUNDERS; DEBORAH L. SAUNDERS; CHARLES M.

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SAUNDERS; RANDALL S. SAUNDERS; BRENDIA S. HUNTER; BARBARA DRIGGERS; JOSEPH A. SOBOTTA; and JOHN C. SOBOTTA, Defendants.

TO: MARY B. SAUNDERS and/or THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES OR BENEFICIARIES OF MARY B. SAUNDERS AND ALL PARTIES CLAIMING INTEREST BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST MARY B. SAUNDERS

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to quiet title on the following three properties located in Clay County Florida, and described as follows:

Property No. 1
An undivided 1/2 interest of the Mineral and Oil Rights in and to the following described land:

W 1/2 of NE 1/4; SE 1/4 of NE 1/4, in Section 4, Township 7 South, Range 25 East, Clay County, Florida. a/k/a 5500 Sharron Road, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043

Property No. 2
An undivided 1/2 interest of the Mineral and Oil Rights in and to the following described lands:

SE 1/4 of NW 1/4; SW 1/4 of NE 1/4; NW 1/4 of SE 1/4; NE 1/4 of SW 1/4; NE 1/4 of SE 1/4 of SW 1/4; SE 1/4 of SE 1/4 of SW 1/4 of SW 1/4; in Section 24, Township 6 South, Range 25 East, Clay County, Florida.

An undivided 1/4 interest in petroleum and petroleum products and an undivided 1/8 interest in all other mineral rights in and to the following described lands:

NE 1/4 of SE 1/4 of SW 1/4, in Section 24, Township 6 South, Range 25 East, Clay County, Florida. a/k/a 5700 Gary Road, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043

Property No. 3
An undivided 1/2 interest of the Mineral and Oil Rights in and to the following described lands:

SW 1/4 of NW 1/4; NW 1/4 of SW 1/4, in Section 19, Township 6 South, Range 26 East, Clay County, Florida. a/k/a County Road 315, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, within 30 days after the first publication of this notice on Casey W. Arnold, Esquire, Plaintiff's Attorney, whose address is 501 Riverside Avenue, Suite 600, Jacksonville, Florida 32202, and file the original with the clerk of this court either before service on the Plaintiff's Attorney, or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Dated on August 4, 2020

(seal)
TARA S. GREEN
As Clerk of the Court
By: Stacie Towns
As Deputy Clerk

Legal 48489 published Aug 6, Aug 13, Aug 20 and Aug 27, 2020 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 Sept 10, 2020 at 10:00 am at 2909 BLANDING BLVD MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes.

2014 Hyundai
5NPDD4AEXEH544298
2005 Saturn 5GZCZ33D15S864388
Legal 46582 published Aug 27, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

PUBLIC AUCTION

Atlantic Self Storage **PUBLIC SALE** will be on September 17, 2020 at 10:00 AM starting location: 1075 Blanding Blvd. Orange Park, FL 32065 - Unit 10 - Kara Lysitt; Unit 618 - Jami M Brooks

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING: 912 Blanding Blvd. Orange Park, FL 32065 - Unit 251 - Margaret Ives

The above are delinquent in rent and under FL Statutes 83.806 the content of their units will be sold at Public Sale with a 10% buyer's premium. The above units contain household goods and personal items unless otherwise noted. All Vehicles are sold AS-IS PARTS ONLY. Terms of sales are CASH ONLY at the end of each Public Sale.

Legal 46534 published Aug 20 and Aug 27, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

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PUBLIC AUCTION

The following vehicles will be sold at public auction for towing and storage costs:

Auction date : 9/10/2020 9:00 am
2016 Kawasaki JKBZXJE18G021537 at Horton's Towing 3645 Hwy 17, Bldg 2, Fleming Island , FL 32003 Horton's Towing reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids.

Legal 46589 published Aug 27, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION
FILE NO: 2020 CP 000346

DIVISION: A
IN RE: ESTATE OF ROBERT EDMOND BARGAMIN, JR., Deceased.

The administration of the estate of **ROBERT EDMOND BARGAMIN, JR.**, deceased, whose date of death was May 14, 2020, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is: Clay County Courthouse, 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 DATE 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 SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE 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 the first publication of this notice is August 27, 2020.

WILLIAM H. DAVIE, II
Fla. Bar No.: 634387
733 N. Palmetto Ave.
Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043
(904) 276-5344 - Phone
(904) 284-8725 - Fax
BDavie@DavieLawFirm.com - Primary
Service@DavieLawFirm.com - Secondary
Attorney for the Personal Representative

LEANNE BARGAMIN
1552 Stonebriar Rd
Green Cove Springs, FL 32043
Personal Representative
Legal 46570 published Aug 27 and Sept 3, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

(Summary Administration)

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION
FILE NO: 2019-CP-00295

DIVISION: B
IN RE: ESTATE OF ETNA JOEANN ENGEL,
Deceased.

TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS OR DEMANDS AGAINST THE ABOVE ESTATE:

You are hereby notified that an Order of Summary Administration has been entered in the estate of James Elton Phillips, deceased, File Number 2020-CP-000295, by the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 825 N. Orange Avenue / PO Box 698 Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043; that the decedent's date of death was March 7, 2019; that the total value of the estate is \$40,000.00 and that the names and addresses of those to whom it has been assigned by such order are:

Name/Address
Jacqueline Engel Johnson
906 Quailridge Ct.
Orange Park, Florida 32065
Edwin Ray Engel, Jr.
2541 Bottomridge Dr.
Orange Park, Florida 32065

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE NOTIFIED THAT:
All creditors of the estate of the

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decedent and persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent other than those for whom provision for full payment was made in the Order of Summary Administration must file their claims with this court **WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN FLORIDA STATUTES SECTION 733.702.** **ALL CLAIMS AND DEMANDS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.** **NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER APPLICABLE TIME PERIOD, 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 is Aug 27, 2020.

Attorney for Person Giving Notice
L. J. Arnold III
Florida Bar No. 154474
Arnold Law
PO Box 1570
718 North Orange Avenue
Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043
Telephone: (904) 284-5618
Fax: (904) 284-5937
E-Mail:
ljarnold3@gmail.com
Secondary E-Mail:
marie.arnoldlaw@gmail.com

Person Giving Notice:
Jacqueline Engel Johnson
906 Quailridge Ct
Orange Park, Florida 32073
Legal 46576 published Aug 27 and Sept 3, 2020 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:

Tanya & Tanya Trading

Located at 1218 Wetland Ridge CR, in the County of CLAY, in the City of Middleburg, Florida 32068 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida.

Dated at Middleburg, Florida , this 20th day of August, 2020.

Owner's name/corporation:
Tanya Hofstra
Legal 46578 published Aug 27, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case Number: 2020-CP-000356
Division: A

IN RE: ESTATE OF ANDREW D. HUTCHISON,

Deceased.

You are hereby notified that the administration of the Estate of Andrew D. Hutchison, has been opened in the Circuit Court in and for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the physical address of which is 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043, and the mailing address of which is P.O. Box 698, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043. Jennifer Grell has been appointed as the Personal Representative of the Estate of Andrew D. Hutchison, Deceased, whose address for purposes of this publication is c/o Law Office of Suzanne C. Quinonez, Post Office Box 130, Middleburg, FL 32050-0130.

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE NOTIFIED THAT:

All persons on whom this notice is served who have objections, challenge the validity of the will, the qualifications of the personal representative, venue, or jurisdiction of this Court are required to file their objections with this Court **WITHIN THE LATER OF THREE MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.**

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is served within three months after the date of the first publication of this notice must file their claims, in duplicate, with the Court **WITHIN THE LATER OF THREE MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.**

All other creditors of the decedent and persons having claims or demands against the decedent's estate must file their claims, in

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duplicate, with this Court **WITHIN THREE MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.** **ALL CLAIMS, DEMANDS AND OBJECTIONS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.**

The date of the first publication of this Notice is: August 20, 2020.

Attorney: Law Office of Suzanne C. Quinonez, P.A.
Post Office Box 130
Middleburg, FL 32050-0130
(904) 282-6022
(904)282-6076 - fax
pleadings@quinonezlaw.com
(SERVICE OF PLEADINGS/DOCUMENTS ONLY)
correspondence@quinonezlaw.com
(CORRESPONDENCE)

Personal Representative:
Jennifer Grell
c/o Law Office of Suzanne C. Quinonez, P.A.
Post Office Box 130
Middleburg, FL 32050-0130

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NOTICE OF ACTION

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

CASE NO: 2019-CA-001324
HSBC BANK USA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR ACE SECURITIES CORP. HOME EQUITY LOAN TRUST, SERIES 2006-NCL1, ASSET BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, Plaintiff,

vs.
DAWN M CARLSON A/K/A DAWN M. JAEGER, ET AL. Defendants

To the following Defendant(s):
UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF DAWN M. CARLSON A/K/A DAWN M. JAEGER (CURRENT RESIDENCE UNKNOWN)

Last known address:
3 0 0 5 W A V E R I N G L N ,
MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068
Additional address:
4 7 0 4 H E R T A R O A D ,
JACKSONVILLE, FL 32210 6952

Additional address:
1665 KINGSLEY AVENUE #104,
ORANGE PARK FL 32073
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action for Foreclosure of Mortgage on the following described property:

LOT 35, GLEN LAUREL UNIT TWO, ACCORDING TO PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 31, PAGES 56 THROUGH 59, PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

A/K/A 3005 WAVERING, MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to J. Anthony Van Ness, Esq. at VAN NESS LAW FIRM, PLC, Attorney for the Plaintiff, whose address is 1239 E. NEWPORT CENTER DRIVE, SUITE #110, DERFIELD BEACH, FL 33442 within thirty (30) days after the first publication of this Notice in the 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 to Administrative Order No. 2065

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 ADA Coordinator at crtntrp@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 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court this 8th day of August, 2020.

(seal)
Tara S. Green
CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CLERK OF COURT
By Deputa Crews
As Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
FILE NO.: 2020-CP-354

DIVISION: A
IN RE: ESTATE OF ROBERT WILLIAM DELANEY, Deceased

The administration of the estate of **ROBERT WILLIAM DELANEY,** deceased, whose date of death was June 8, 2020, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 825 N. Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043. The names and address 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 THREE (3) MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY (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 THREE (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 August 20, 2020.

Cynthia Grooms Marvin
Florida Bar # 0285927
DOUGLAS LAW FIRM
Attorney for Personal Representative
1301 St. Johns Avenue
Palatka, FL 32177
Toll-Free: 800-705-5457
cindy@dnclawyers.com

LUCILLE DELANEY
Personal Representative
7663 Oak Drive
Keystone Heights, FL 32656

Legal 46529 published Aug 20 and Aug 27, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

PUBLIC SALE

FIRST COAST TOWING gives Notice of Lien and intent to sell these vehicles on 09/08/2020 10:00 am at 2905 BLANDING BLVD MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068-6349, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes. FIRST COAST TOWING reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids.

2004 Hyundai
KMHDN46DX4U817474
2018 Toyota 2T3ZFREV6JW482730
2018 GMC 1GTN1LEC5JZ901398
2010 Ford 1FTEW1CW5AFA71025
2017 JEEP 1C4NJPPA1HDD146035
Legal 46462 published Aug 27, 2020 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 #67** located at: 918 Blanding Blvd., Orange Park, FL 32065 904-272-3705

Crowe's Nest Properties, LLC - Hsld gds/Furn; TV/Stereo Equip; Tools/Applnces; Off Furn/Mach/Equip; Lndsepng/Cnstrctn equip; Boxes; Sprng gds

Dana Qadadeh - Hsld gds/Furn; Tools/Applnces

Brittany Bryan - Hsld gds/Furn
Samuel Synder - Hsld gs/Furn
Duncan McClellan - Hsld gds/Furn

Jessica Brown - Hsld gds/Furn
Jasmin Mendez - Hsld gds/Furn
Michael Owens - Hsld gds/Furn
Adriana Giro - Hsld gds/Furn;

TV/Stereo Equip; Tools/Applnces; Off Furn/Mach/Equip; Acctng rcrds/Sales Sampls

Michael Owens - Hsld gds/Furn 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

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having expired, the goods will be sold to the highest bidder or otherwise disposed of at a public auction to be held online at www.StorageTreasures.com, which will end on Friday, September 25, 2020 10:00AM

Legal 46535 published Aug 27 and Sept 3, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

PUBLIC SALE

FIRST COAST TOWING gives Notice of Lien and intent to sell these vehicles on 09/09/2020 10:00 am at 2905 BLANDING BLVD MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068-6349, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes. FIRST COAST TOWING reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids.

IFMDU34X9VUB48948 1997 FORD 2B4GP4437R763306 2002 DODGE
Legal 46522 published Aug 27, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

FICTITIOUS NAME NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that DASHAUNA KIARRA SMITH, owner, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of

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located at 141 OLD ORANGE PARK RD, ORANGE PARK, FL 32073 intends to register the said name in CLAY county with the Division of Corporations, Florida Department of State, pursuant to section 865.09 of the Florida Statutes.

Legal 46554 published Aug 27, 2020 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 09/12/2020 at approx. 12:00pm at storage-treasures.com:

Amber Nicole Rodriguez Morales
Joseph Tillman

Legal 46521 published Aug 20 and Aug 27, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

PUBLIC NOTICE

The quarterly meeting of the Clay County Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board will take place by conference call at 2:00 p.m., **Monday, September 14, 2020.** Governor DeSantis issued Executive Order Number 20-69 on March 20, 2020 allowing for virtual meetings in certain cases. The Order states "Local government bodies may utilize communications media technology, such as telephonic and video conferencing, as provided in Section 120.54(5)(b)2, Florida Statutes." All interested persons are invited to call-in. The Call-in number is 1-888-585-9008. When prompted, dial the conference room number 511 666 088#. Meeting materials will be posted at <https://www.nefrc.org/tranportation-disadvantaged>.

The Northeast Florida Regional Council adheres to the Americans with Disabilities Act and will make reasonable modifications for access to this meeting upon request. Requests should be received at least 72-hours in advance of the meeting in order to allow time to provide the requested service. For more information, contact the Northeast Florida Regional Council at 904-279-0880 between 8a-5p, Monday through Friday.

Legal 46524 published Aug 27, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

BURGART ENTERPRISES gives Notice of Lien and intent to sell these vehicles on 09/11/2020, 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 bid.

1HGCR2F84DA233019 2013 Honda ZZN4784D696 1996 ZZN
Legal 46580 published Aug 27, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

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FICTITIOUS NAME NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that JOSE ANTONIO COLON, owner, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of

JOSE COLON - CRUISE PLANNERS

located at 5000 US HWY 17S, ST. # 701, FLEMING ISLAND, FL 32003 intends to register the said name in CLAY county with the Division of Corporations, Florida Department of State, pursuant to section 865.09 of the Florida Statutes.

Legal 46555 published Aug 27, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File No. 20-CP-404 Division A

RE: ESTATE OF ROBERT GORDON BLEAKLEY Deceased.

The administration of the estate of ROBERT GORDON BLEAKLEY, deceased, whose date of death was March 3, 2020, 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 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 August 27, 2020. Attorney for Personal Representative:

Laurie W. Valentine FISHER & SAULS, P.A. Suite 701, City Center 100 Second Avenue South St. Petersburg, FL 33701 727/822-2033 FBN#342556 Primary Email: lvalentine@fishersauls.com Secondary Email: kgrammer@fishersauls.com

Personal Representative: LOUISE L. BLEAKLEY 411 Walnut Street, #14321 Green Cove Springs, FL 32043-3443 Legal 46575 published Aug 27 and Sept 3, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

FIRST PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The City of Green Cove Springs ("City") is considering applying to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity for an FFY 2019 Small Cities Community Development Block Grant ("CDBG"). The City is eligible to apply for up to \$700,000 in the neighborhood revitalization, commercial revitalization, and housing rehabilitation categories. Construction activities funded through the CDBG Program must meet one of the following national objectives:

1. Provide benefit to low- and moderate-income persons;
 2. Prevent or eliminate slum or blight conditions; or
 3. Meet a need of recent origin having a particular urgency.
- The types of activities that CDBG funds may be used for include constructing stormwater ponds, paving roads and sidewalks, installing sewer and water lines, building a community center or park, making improvements to a sewage treatment plant, and rehabilitating low-income homes. Additional information regarding the range of activities that could be funded will

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be provided at the public hearing. In developing a CDBG application, the City must plan to minimize displacement of persons as a result of the activities and develop a plan to assist displaced persons.

A public hearing to obtain citizen comment concerning the City's economic and community development needs will be held at City Hall, 321 Walnut Street, on September 1, 2020 at 5:30p.m or shortly thereafter. For information concerning the public hearing, contact Erin West, City Clerk, at (904) 297-7047 or by e-mail at ewest@greencovesprings.com. Please be advised that if a person decides to appeal any decision made by the City Council with respect to any matter considered at this scheduled public hearing, he will 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.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person needing a special accommodation to participate in this matter should contact City Hall at (904) 297-7500 at least three (3) days prior to the meeting. Hearing impaired persons may access through Florida Relay - Dial 7-1-1.

Any non-English speaking person wishing to attend the public hearing should contact Erin West, (904) 297-7047, at least five days prior to the hearing and an interpreter will be provided.

All interested individuals are invited to attend this public hearing. City of Green Cove Springs Heather Glisson, Development Services Representative 321 Walnut Street Green Cove Springs, FL 32043 Steve Kennedy, City Manager Legal 46586 published Aug 27, 2020, 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: 2020-CP-423

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF JESSIE S. EDWARDS, DECEASED.

The formal administration of the estate of JESSIE S. EDWARDS, who died on June 8, 2020, 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 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 August 27, 2020.

SARA E. ROBINSON PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE 1048 Lake Asbury Drive Green Cove Springs, FL 32043 Owens & Wagner, P.A. VeRonica R. Owens, Esq. Fla. Bar No.: 73568VeRonica@OwensWagner.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 46562 published Aug 27 and Sept 3, 2020, in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

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Public Notice is hereby given that the Town Council of the Town of Orange Park will hold a public hearing an ordinance amending Chapter 30 of the Code of the Town of Orange Park Town Code: establishing a procedure for the issuance of trespass warnings for individuals on town property; establishing limits on the duration of trespass warnings on town property; establishing an appeal process; establishing a means whereby individuals who have been issued a trespass warning may exercise certain rights and conduct municipal business; providing for conflicts, severability, and an immediate effective date.

This public hearing will be held on Tuesday, September 15, 2020 in the Orange Park Town Hall Council Chambers, the corner of Park and Kingsley Avenue at 7:00 P.M. The Council of the Town of Orange Park will consider said ordinance for final action. Any person deciding to appeal any decision made by the Council of the Town of Orange Park with respect to any matter considered at this meeting or hearing will need a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record would include the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. Copies of this ordinance may be examined in the office of the Town Clerk, Monday through Friday from 8:00 A.M. until 5:00 P.M. Interested parties may attend the meeting and be heard.

Courtney Russo, Town Clerk Legal 46558 published Aug 27, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION

IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE DISTRICT COURT DIVISION FILE 20-CVD-427

COUNTY OF GRANVILLE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA IN RE: KATHLEEN Z. ROBERTSON v. CRYSTAL V. BROOKS, JOSHUA N. WHITE, SEAN ZIMMERMAN, and KRISTEN ZIMMERMAN

TO: Joshua N. White, Defendant. TAKE NOTICE that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above-entitled action. The nature of the relief sought is as follows: Temporary and Permanent Child Custody and Motion for Guardian ad Litem for the Minor Children. You are required to make defense to such pleading not later than October 6, 2020 and upon your failure to do so, the party seeking relief against you will apply to the court for the relief sought. This the 20th day of August, 2020.

Holly W. Batten BATTEN LAW FIRM, P.C. Attorney for Plaintiff 106 N. Durham Avenue P.O. Box 686 Creedmoor, NC 27522 (919) 528-1144

Legal 46567 published Aug 27, Sept 3 and Sept 10, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF ACTION

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

CASE NO. 10-2020-CA-000174 COMPASS BANK, Plaintiff, vs.

DONNIE EDWARD SMITH A/K/A DONNIE E. SMITH A/K/A DONALD LEWIS SMITH A/K/A DONNIE LEWIS SMITH A/K/A DONALD E. SMITH, et al.

Defendants. To: ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER AND AGAINST CHARLES BEVERLY SMITH A/K/A CHARLES B. SMITH A/K/A CHARLES SMITH, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS DIANE Z. SMITH 4941 ALFALFA STREET, MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068 SANDRA C. SMITH 4941 ALFALFA STREET, MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068 DONNIE EDWARD SMITH A/K/A DONNIE E. SMITH A/K/A DONALD LEWIS SMITH A/K/A DONNIE LEWIS SMITH A/K/A DONALD E. SMITH 1401 LAMB BLVD, APT 183

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LAS VEGAS, NV 89110 UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF DONNIE EDWARD SMITH A/K/A DONNIE E. SMITH A/K/A DONALD LEWIS SMITH A/K/A DONALD E. SMITH 1401 LAMB BLVD APT 183, LAS VEGAS, NV 89110 LAST KNOWN ADDRESS STATED, CURRENT RESIDENCE UNKNOWN

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for Foreclosure of Mortgage on the following described property:

LOT 19, BLOCK 106, JACKSONVILLE SOUTH, UNIT TWO, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 11, AT PAGES 1 THROUGH 13, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

TOGETHER WITH THAT CERTAIN 1995 SPRING HILL MOBILE HOME SERIAL NUMBERS GAFLR34A19

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Sara Collins, McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC, 225 E. Robinson St. Suite 155, Orlando, FL 32801 and file the original with the Clerk of the above-styled Court 30 days from the first publication, otherwise a Judgment may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

WITNESS my hand and seal of said Court this 12th day of August, 2020.

(seal) Tara S. Green CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT As Clerk of the Court By: Rebecca Crews Deputy Clerk

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed proposals will be received until 4:00 P.M., Thursday, September 24, 2020, at the Clay County Admin Bldg, Purchasing Dept, 4th Floor, 477 Houston St, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043, for the following:

BID NO: 19/20-55, Access Control and Automatic Door Installation

A MANDATORY pre-proposal meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday, September 9, 2020 at 1:00 pm at the Clay County Admin Bldg, Conference Room "B", 4th Floor, 477 Houston St, Green Cove Springs, FL, 32043. All prospective proposers are required to attend the meeting.

Proposals will be opened at 1:00 P.M., or as soon thereafter as possible, on Friday, September 25, 2020 in the Clay County Admin Bldg, Conference Room "B", 4th floor, 477 Houston St, Green Cove Springs, Florida. Proposals will not be valid unless received by the proposal deadline.

All communications with the County regarding this RFP should be directed to Kris Collora, Purchasing Department, (904) 529-5885 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.

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 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

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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 46577 published Aug 27, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed proposal will be received until 4:00 P.M., Monday, September 21, 2020, at the Clay County Admin Bldg, 4th floor, 477 Houston St, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043, for the following:

RFP NO: 19/20-41, Radio System Management

Bids will be opened at 1:00 P.M., or as soon thereafter as possible, on Tuesday, September 22, 2020 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. Preference shall be given to a local business in the purchase of commodities and services. The complete policy can be viewed at: <https://www.claycountygov.com/Home/ShowDocument?id=5272>

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.

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 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

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Legal 46583 published August 27, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

REQUEST FOR BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed bids will be received until 4:00 P.M., Monday, September 21, 2020, at the Clay County Administration Building, fourth floor, Reception Area, 477 Houston St, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043, for the following:

BID NO: 19/20-70, Clay County Employee Physicals and Drug Testing

Bids will be opened at 1:00 P.M., or as soon thereafter as possible, on Tuesday, September 22, 2020 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 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. Preference shall be given to a local business in the purchase of commodities and services. The complete policy can be viewed at: <https://www.claycountygov.com/Home/ShowDocument?id=5272>

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.

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 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

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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 46584 published Aug 27, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids will be received by the Clay County District Schools until: **2:30 PM, September 9, 2020**

In the Purchasing Conference Room, 800 Center Street, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043

At which time and place all bids received will be publicly opened and read aloud for furnishing all labor and materials for the construction of:

Tynes Elementary School - New Classroom Addition

CCDS Project No. C-29-19/20

All work shall be done according to the plans and specifications prepared by:

David Shively, P.A.
1329 Kingsley Ave., Suite C
Orange Park, FL 32073

Email all questions to DShively@bhide-hall.com Include project number in subject line

Plans are on file and open to inspection at the office of the Architect/Engineer and are also on file in the following Plan Rooms:

LDI Reprinting Center
550 Wells Road, Suite 100
Orange Park, FL 32073
Tel: 904/579-4027
Fax: 904/579-4154

orangepark@ldireprinting.com

Prime bidders, who will be submitting a bid to the owner, are required to register with the architect their intention to bid and as a plan holder. Any addenda will be sent automatically (electronically) to the known plan holders. Other delivery methods may be arranged with the architect.

Partial sets of drawings and/or specifications are not advised and neither the architect nor owner will be responsible for partial information given to subcontractors by the general contractors.

There will be **Mandatory Pre-bid Meeting at the site on August 31, 2020 at 9:00 AM** per Section 00100, Part 9.2. Bidders not attending the pre-bid meeting will not be permitted to submit a bid.

Only Contractors having been pre-qualified by the School District of Clay County are eligible to submit bids for this project. **Only pre-qualified Contractors should submit bids** for this project (Florida Statutes).

Florida Statutes require that all contractual personnel who are permitted access on school grounds when students are present must meet Level 2 screening requirements as described in S1012.32, Florida Statutes.

DISCRIMINATION: An entity or affiliate who has been placed on the discriminatory vendor list may not submit a bid on a contract to provide 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 public entity, may not award or perform work as a

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contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under contract with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity.

The Owner reserves the right to waive any irregularities and minor technicalities or to reject any and all bids. Each bidder must deposit with his bid, a Bid Bond or Cashier's Check in the amount of five percent (5%) of the Base Bid price, payable to the Owner.

The successful bidder will be required to provide a Performance, Labor, and Material Bond in the amount of 100% of the accepted Bid amount.

No bidder may withdraw his bid within (60) days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

Any actual or prospective bidder who disputes the reasonableness or competitiveness of the terms and conditions of the Invitation To Bid, Contract Award, or Recommendation for Contract Award, shall file a Notice of Protest with the Superintendent of Schools within 72 hours of receipt of the bid solicitation, posting of the bid tabulations, or posting of the bid award, and must file a formal written protest within ten (10) days following the filing of the Notice to Protest. Failure to observe such timelines will constitute a waiver of proceedings and of right to protest as stipulated in Chapter 120 of the Florida Statutes. The School Board requires a protestor to post bond in accordance with Florida Statutes, Section 255.0516 F.S.

Bond Requirement: With respect to state contracts and bids pursuant to competitive bidding, whether under chapter 1013, relating to educational facilities, or under 2019 Florida Statutes 255.0516, relating to public buildings, if a school board, a community college board of trustees, or a state university board of trustees uses procedures pursuant to chapter 120 for bid protests, the board may require the protestor to post a bond amounting to:

1. Twenty-five thousand dollars or 2 percent of the lowest accepted bid, whichever is greater, for projects valued over \$500,000; and

2. Five percent of the lowest accepted bid for all other projects

Conditioned upon payment of all costs and fees, which may be adjusted against the protestor in the Administrative Hearing. If at the Hearing the School Board prevails, it may recover all costs and attorney's fees from the protestor; if the protestor prevails, the protestor shall recover from the School Board all costs and attorney's fees.

Bid Tabulations shall be posted in the Operations Reception area at 925 Center Street, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043 after the intended recommendation is announced on or about four (4) days after the bid opening. The Bid Tabulation will remain posted for a minimum period of 96 hours.

Legal 46495 published Aug 13, 2020 and Aug 27, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed proposal will be received until **4:00 P.M., Monday, September 21, 2020**, at the Clay County Admin Bldg, 4th floor, 477 Houston St, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043, for the following:

RFP NO: 19/20-67, SHIP INSPECTION SERVICES

Bids will be opened at 1:00 P.M., or as soon thereafter as possible, on **Tuesday, September 22, 2020** 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

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economy. Preference shall be given to a local business in the purchase of commodities and services. The complete policy can be viewed at: <https://www.claycountygov.com/Home/Show/Document?id=5272>

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Legal 46568 published Aug 27, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that in accordance with F.S. 287.055 the Consultant's Competitive Negotiation Act (CCNA), the Board of County Commissioners, Clay County, will be accepting sealed qualifications which will be received until **4:00 P.M., Monday, September 21, 2020**, at the Clay County Administration Building, fourth floor, Reception Area, 477 Houston St, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043, for the following:

RFQ NO: 19/20-46, Engineering Consulting Services For Atlantis Drive Roadway Improvements Inspection Service

Qualifications will be opened at 1:00 P.M., or as soon thereafter as possible, on **Tuesday, September 22, 2020** 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.

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Legal 46585 published August 27, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

Notice of Sale

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

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

CASE NO: 2018-CA-001082
CITIMORTGAGE, INC., PLAINTIFF,

VS. THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNORS, CREDITORS AND TRUSTEES OF THE ESTATE OF WILLIAM J. PADGETT, DECEASED, ET AL. DEFENDANT(S)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated April 2, 2020, in the above action, I will sell to the highest bidder for cash at Clay County, Florida, on **October 12, 2020**, at 10:00 AM, at www.clay.realforeclose.com for the following described property:

Lots 52 and 53, LAZY ACRES, UNIT 2, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 6, Pages 18 and 19 of the Public Records of Clay County, Florida. Together with Mobile Home Vin numbers LOHGA11113378A AND LOHGA11113378B. Title number 110267044 and 110267115.

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 sixty (60) days after the sale. The Court, in its discretion, may enlarge the time of the sale. Notice of the changed time of sale

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shall be published as provided herein.
DATED: August 19, 2020

(seal)
Tara S. Green
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: Stacie Towns
Deputy Clerk of the Court

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 904-255-1695 or at crtrintp@coj.net, 501 West Adams Street, Room 6204, Jacksonville, FL 32202 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 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

Legal 46564 published Aug 27 and Sept 3, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper. 18-000287

RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 4TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA

CIVIL DIVISION: B
CASE NO.: 2019-CA-000471

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff,

VS. JEFF FORAN; FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION; UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, Defendants.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated 19th day of August, 2020, and entered in Case No. 2019-CA-000471-, of the Circuit Court of the 4th Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein, U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION is the Plaintiff, and JEFF FORAN FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION; and UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY are defendants. TARA S. GREEN as Clerk of the Circuit Court shall sell to the highest and best bidder for cash electronically at <https://clay.realforeclose.com/> at 10:00 AM on the 16th day of November, 2020, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

LOT 5A, VILLAGE OF LORING, A SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED AT PLAT BOOK 16, PAGE 78 AND 79, IN THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

IF YOU ARE A PERSON CLAIMING A RIGHT TO FUNDS REMAINING AFTER THE SALE, YOU MUST FILE A CLAIM WITH THE CLERK NO LATER THAN THE DATE THAT THE CLERK REPORTS THE FUNDS AS UNCLAIMED. IF YOU FAIL TO FILE A CLAIM, YOU WILL NOT BE ENTITLED TO ANY REMAINING FUNDS. AFTER THE FUNDS ARE REPORTED AS UNCLAIMED, ONLY THE OWNER OF RECORD AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MAY CLAIM THE SURPLUS.

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 ADA Coordinator at crtrintp@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 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

Dated this 21st day of August, 2020.

(seal)
TARA S GREEN
Clerk Of The Circuit Court
By: Kayla Beard
Deputy Clerk

Legal 46572 published Aug 27 and Sept 3, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper. 19-01115

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

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

CASE NO: 2015-CA-000458
HSBC BANK USA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR ACE SECURITIES CORP. HOME EQUITY LOAN TRUST, SERIES 2006-0P2, Plaintiff,

vs
MARK HOLMES, YVONNE L. HOLMES, AND PAUL L. HOLMES, et al. Defendant(s).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated April 26, 2016, and entered in 2015-CA-000458 of the Circuit Court of the FOURTH Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein HSBC BANK USA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR ACE SECURITIES CORP. HOME EQUITY LOAN TRUST, SERIES 2006-0P2 is the Plaintiff and MARK HOLMES, AS TO A 1/3 INTEREST, AS JOINT TENANT WITH RIGHTS OF SURVIVORSHIP AND NOT AS TENANTS IN COMMON; YVONNE L. HOLMES, AS TO A 1/3 INTEREST, AS JOINT TENANT WITH RIGHTS OF SURVIVORSHIP AND NOT AS TENANTS IN COMMON; SAND CANYON CORPORATION F/K/A OPTION ONE MORTGAGE CORPORATION; ARAVA HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; STATE OF FLORIDA, DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE are the Defendant(s). Tara S. Green as the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at www.clay.realforeclose.com, at 10:00 AM, on September 10, 2020, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

LOT 35, ARAVA UNIT FIVE, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 42, PAGES 37, 38 AND 39, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Property Address: **3664 ARAVA DR. GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FL 32043**

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 in accordance with Florida Statutes, Section 45.031.

Dated this 11th day of August, 2020.

(seal)
Tara S. Green
As Clerk of the Court
By: Kayla Beard
As Deputy Clerk

IMPORTANT AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT. 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 ADA Coordinator at crtrintp@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 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

Legal 46527 published Aug 20 and Aug 27, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper 14-42430

Notice of Sale

shall be published as provided herein.
DATED: August 19, 2020

(seal)
Tara S. Green
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: Stacie Towns
Deputy Clerk of the Court

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Legal 46564 published Aug 27 and Sept 3, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper. 18-000287

RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 4TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA

CIVIL DIVISION: B
CASE NO.: 2019-CA-000471

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff,

VS. JEFF FORAN; FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION; UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, Defendants.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated 19th day of August, 2020, and entered in Case No. 2019-CA-000471-, of the Circuit Court of the 4th Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein, U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION is the Plaintiff, and JEFF FORAN FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION; and UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY are defendants. TARA S. GREEN as Clerk of the Circuit Court shall sell to the highest and best bidder for cash electronically at <https://clay.realforeclose.com/> at 10:00 AM on the 16th day of November, 2020, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

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Dated this 11th day of August, 2020.

(seal)
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As Clerk of the Court
By: Kayla Beard
As Deputy Clerk

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Legal 46527 published Aug 20 and Aug 27, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper 14-42430

RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

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

CASE NO: 2015-CA-000458
HSBC BANK USA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR ACE SECURITIES CORP. HOME EQUITY LOAN TRUST, SERIES 2006-0P2, Plaintiff,

vs
MARK HOLMES, YVONNE L. HOLMES, AND PAUL L. HOLMES, et al. Defendant(s).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated April 26, 2016, and entered in 2015-CA-000458 of the Circuit Court of the FOURTH Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein HSBC BANK USA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR ACE SECURITIES CORP. HOME EQUITY LOAN TRUST, SERIES 2006-0P2 is the Plaintiff and MARK HOLMES, AS TO A 1/3 INTEREST, AS JOINT TENANT WITH RIGHTS OF SURVIVORSHIP AND NOT AS TENANTS IN COMMON; YVONNE L. HOLMES, AS TO A 1/3 INTEREST, AS JOINT TENANT WITH RIGHTS OF SURVIVORSHIP AND NOT AS TENANTS IN COMMON; SAND CANYON CORPORATION F/K/A OPTION ONE MORTGAGE CORPORATION; ARAVA HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; STATE OF FLORIDA, DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE are the Defendant(s). Tara S. Green as the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at www.clay.realforeclose.com, at 10:00 AM, on September 10, 2020, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

LOT 35, ARAVA UNIT FIVE, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 42, PAGES 37, 38 AND 39, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

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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 in accordance with Florida Statutes, Section 45.031.

Dated this 11th day of August, 2020.

(seal)
Tara S. Green
As Clerk of the Court

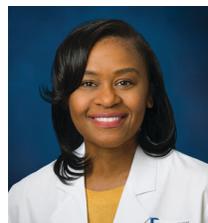
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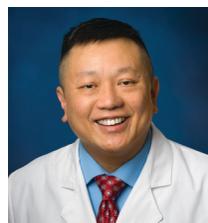
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