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# **OPMC inoculating staff against COVID-19**

First wave of vaccines arrives at area medical centers

**By Don Coble** 

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ORANGE PARK – The line of employees formed at the Orange Park Medical Center within moments after the Moderna COVID-19 vaccine arrived on Wednesday, Dec. 23.

Doctors and nurses, many who've worked tirelessly for months under extreme circumstances, were eager to get their inoculations to stop the deadly virus.

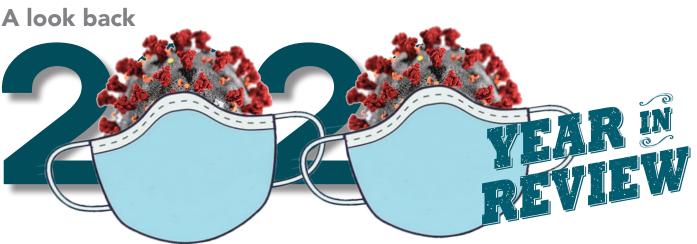
For the first time since cases were reported in Clay County last March, the staff at the hospital was happy to finally fight back against the very coronavirus they are committed to fighting.

"You could feel the excitement in the air," said Emergency Room Dr. Ed Descallar. "You could see it in the faces of our

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Dr. Ed Descallar, right, gets his Moderna vaccine to prevent catching COVID-19.



#### COVID-19, elections will be remembered as top stories in Clay County

here's no doubt 2020 was a year like no other. The COVID-19 pandemic was felt around the world, including here at home in Clay County. Schools were ordered closed in March; stores were ordered to limit the number of customers; and, masks became the most-common accessory worn by everyone.

Voters made changes at the sheriff's office, school board, county commission, state senate and U.S. House of Representatives. And they approved a half-cent sales tax that will help pay for \$300 million of overdue repairs and another \$300 for future building projects.

The news was sometimes horrific - the gruesome murders of a Fleming Island woman and a Keystone Heights man – and it was encouraging when the community rallied to make sure Christmas charities continued despite challenges of the coronavirus.

Students still exceled in the

classroom and on the athletic fields, and we watched two longtime community servants, school board member Carol Studdard and Clay County Commissioner Gayward Hendry, transition into retirement.

Beginning on page 6, Clay Today reporters Wesley LeBlanc, Bruce Hope, Randy Lefko and Don Coble took a look back at 2020 with the top headlines of each month.

We join you in looking forward to a more-prosperous 2021.







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# Clay County Emergency Management: COVID cases aren't taxing local healthcare facilities during holidays

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GREEN COVE SPRINGS - While the number of confirmed cases of COVID-19 are rising in Clay County, it's not to the point of placing undue pressure on the health care infrastructure. Better yet, the vaccine has already arrived.

The numbers are rising," said John Ward, Clay County Director of Emergency Management. "Fortunately, people are recovering from it. It's not really putting a strain on our hospital system, or our ICU beds or anything like that. But the numbers are rising, and we think that the surge that we're seeing now is from Thanksgiving

and not long after, and I think we're kind of preparing because the belief is we're going to have another surge after the Christmas holidays, too."

The general feeling is that people are getting tired of taking the precautions necessary to stem the flow of the virus. People are also becoming complacent after a long

The Coronavirus vaccine has made its way to Clay County. The original shipment was delivered last week to healthcare workers at Orange Park Medical Center and Ascension St. Vincent's.

"We are expecting, hopefully in the next week or two, to receive our first line of vaccinations," said Ward of doses for the general public. "And that will be for our first responders and health care workers."

Governor Ron DeSantis signed an executive order last week placing healthcare workers, senior citizens 65 and older into a priority status for receipt of the vaccination. That demographic is an estimated 34,000 people in Clay County, Ward said.

Ward anticipates a slow trickle of the vaccine into the county throughout the winter and hopefully by April an increase with more drug manufacturers increasing the availability of the vaccine.

"Once everybody has the ability to get the vaccine that wants the vaccine, then we'll be able to level out," Ward said.

The vaccine can't come quick enough.

As of Tuesday, Dec. 29, Clay County reported 10,794 positive cases of the virus, resulting in 183 deaths.

Included in those numbers are 476 cases from the Clay County School District. The district's biggest hotspots are Oakleaf High (55 cases), Clay High (46) and Fleming Island High (29).

The Center for Disease Control said as of last Monday, more than 1.9 million people have received vaccines provided by Pfizer and Moderna in the United States.

There were 179,400 doses in the initial wave of the Pfizer vaccine given to Florida, according DeSantis.

# Air fryers, exercise equipment, games among most-purchased gifts during shopping season

By Wesley LeBlanc wesley@opcfla.com

CLAY COUNTY – The holiday shopping rush is over. And whether you let your fingers do the shopping online or you shopped stores, the pandemic did little to slow down purchases during the holiday season.

Google compiled a list of the top gifts purchased in 2020 every year, broken down into categories like cooking, fitness and more, and there's a good chance a gift you gave or received is on that list. Here are the top gifts purchased in 2020:

#### Cooking

Cooking gifts are great for that friend or that family member that prefers to spend their time in front of a stove instead of in front of a television. Baking gifts were up 34% this year while cotton candy makers were up 42%, but no gift topped the number one cooking-related gift this year: the Mr. Coffee Iced Coffee Maker. This item is exactly what it says it is - an iced coffee maker – and it cost around \$50, on average.

The \$180 Ninja Foodi Digital Air Fry Oven, the \$160 Breville Nespresso Essenza Mini Coffee Maker and the \$400 KitchenAid Pro 5 Bowl-Life Stand Mixer round out the rest of the top four gifts purchased online this year.

**Athletics** 

Search interest for exercise equipment jumped up 116% this year compared to 2019 - and much of that is attributed to quarantines brought on by the COVID-19 pandemic. Sportswear to match the exercise equipment saw its Google searches jump up 23% this year and oddly enough. the number one athletic gift purchased this year was a pair of outdoors boots, specifically the North Face Women's Yukiona Mid Boots, which are sold out and are going for as much as \$950 on eBay.

The \$200 Fitbit Versa 3 comes in second place while the North Face Women's Shellista III Mid Boots, which will run you roughly \$140 came in third. The 5th Element Grid Snowboard 2020 for \$150 rounds out the top four and it's safe to say this gift was likely not purchased much in Florida, unless someone wanted to ride a snowboard down a sand dune at their favorite beach.

#### **Technology**

If any single genre of gifts pulled humanity through 2020, it's technology. Everyone became Zoom meeting pros this year and learned just how good they are at using a computer in the process. Streaming-related purchases were up 33% while camerarelated purchased were at an all-time high in Google searches. The number one technological gift purchased this year was the ASUS TUF Gaming GeForce RTX 3080, which is a graphics card designed to push



your computer's visual capability to the limits and sold out meaning a second-hand buy will run you more than \$1,000.

Apple had a great year too with its new \$500 Apple Watch Series 6. It was followed by the Apple iPhone 12, which will run you more than \$1,000. This is especially impressive for Apple since both the Series 6 watch and the iPhone 12 were released in November. Google's own phone, it's new Google Pixel 5. was the fourth most purchased piece of technology in 2020 at its standard price of \$700.

#### Gaming

Gaming is the most lucrative entertainment medium in the world. It makes more money than movies and television, and its rise only continued in 2020 as people who don't game suddenly found themselves looking for some kind of interaction while stuck inside all day. Video games were there for

The No. 1 gaming gift of the year was Sony's PlayStation 5, a console released in November for \$500 that essentially is impossible to currently find on store shelves or online. Second place goes to Sony's competitor, Microsoft, and its own \$500 gaming box, the Xbox Series X. Third place goes to the less expensive variant of the Series X,



the Xbox Series S, which runs for \$300 and, like the PlayStation 5 and Series X, is impossible to find in stores or online. Virtual reality machine Oculus Ouest 2. which has a \$400 price tag, was the fourth most purchased gaming item purchased on Google

#### Children

Many parents found themselves stuck at home trying to balance work with taking care of their children - all while ensuring their children got their education. Board game purchases were up 14% this year and puzzles were up 25%.

The top-related item purchased this year on Google was the CoComelon Musical Bedtime JJ Doll, which cost parents roughly \$45. It's a somewhat terrifying baby doll that sings and talks to children and totally isn't creepy at all. The sold-out Squishmallow 16-inch Gordon Shark came in second, which probably has something to do with the Baby Shark song, and the Pokemon: Hatterene V Champion's Path box set of cards, which runs for \$25, was the third most-purchased children's item on Google. The \$8 Chuckle and Roar Pop It children's game was the fourth most purchased children's item this year.



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# Top 5 Reasons New Year's goals fail and how to set yourself up for success

**By William Davis** Steel Mill Fleming Island

Every January, millions of people make New Year's resolutions. They feel good and give us hope for a productive and successful year ahead. The problem is they almost

always fail, or fall by the wayside. Many of people's resolutions revolve around health or a healthier way of living. It may not be the goal that is the issue. Here are the top five reasons your fitness and health related goals can fail, and what you can do to save



William Davis

yourself from falling into this trap.

Here are five reasons your goals fail:

• Your goal is too vague

People make their goals vague and broad. This means they aren't clear enough which makes them seem far reaching and eventually unimportant. An example would be "I want to lose weight this year." The problem is you haven't asked yourself how many pounds you want to lose. The term "lose weight" doesn't carry enough weight. Saying I want to lose 45 pounds this year is a better goal. Attach something to this number for added affect such as "I want to lose 45 pounds this year because that was the weight, I was at on my wedding day." The connotation will help make it real.

• There are no dates attached

When do you want something to happen? Do you want a certain change in two months, three months or nine months? Having a date attached to a goal puts you on the hotseat. This is why events such as an obstacle race are so effective for making you take action. If you have a race in 90 days then you aren't going to procrastinate, you will instead take quick action to get started. Taking action is the main ingredient to getting started.

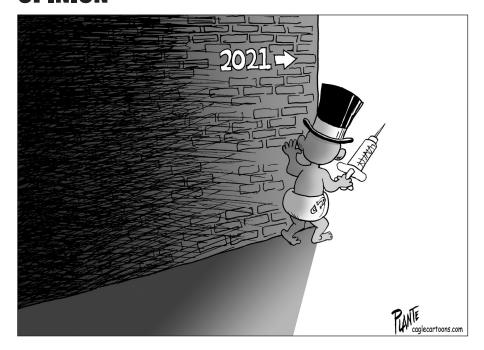
• You don't have small wins built into your plan

Want to be run a 5K, or perform 50 pull-ups? Don't have a main goal without setting some milestones along the way. How quick can you run one mile without stopping? How soon can I get to 10 pull-ups? When these small accomplishments are met, they are to be celebrated and shared with others. For every big goal you have I recommend at least three milestones between start and finish.

• You don't have a plan at all

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## **OPINION**



# Here's a toast to what's ahead in the new year

**By Don Coble** *Managing Editor* 

It's time to raise our glass and welcome in a new year. As we finally say goodbye to 2020, we can find great relief in knowing 2021 certainly will bring us greater prosperity and relief. After all, can it get any worse than last year?

I'm really looking forward to hitting

the reset button because I believe there are so many positive things on our horizon. Like:

• First and foremost, it's not 2020. That's reason enough to be optimistic. We were dealt a worldwide pandemic. We went through the ugliest



Don Coble

political season of our lifetime. We were reminded of social injustices. Yet, we still found a way to work as a community to make sure needy children had toys and food for Christmas. We reconnected with family and friends. We checked on our neighbors. We refused to let all the discord of 2020 define us.

• Trevor Lawrence. It's been a long time since Jacksonville Jaguars fans have been so excited about the upcoming season. The team posted its worst record in franchise history in 2020, and in the process became the biggest winner in the upcoming NFL Draft. Lawrence, the starting quarterback at Clemson, is considered a can't-miss pick. Not since Andrew Luck was selected No. 1 in 2012

has there been such an overwhelming consensus of who's the best available player in the draft. The real challenge for Jacksonville, however, is what it does with its other 10 picks – and \$75 million in salary cap it can spend on free agents. Of course, the Jaguars have proven they are certainly capable of messing it up. Who can forget drafting punter Brian Anger in 2012 in the third round with the 70th overall pick and Seattle following up five picks later and taking quarterback Russell Wilson?

- Pfizer and Moderna. Although scientists have been working on the basics of the COVID-19 vaccine since the SARS pandemic in 2002, the fact the world now has a way to push back and defeat the deadly virus from China is a relief. By this time next year, we hopefully can refer to the coronavirus in the past tense.
- The Clay County Agriculture Fair. With support from the Clay County Emergency Management and Health Department, the fair will return on April 1 for an 11-day run. Not only is the fair one of the greatest economic engines in the county, it's the annual event that brings the entire community together for a night of concerts, amusement rides and funnel cakes. Fair general manager Tasha Hyder said there are no plans to invoke restrictions. Along with the distribution of the COVID-19 vaccine, there's every reason to buy your tickets now.
- The police. The actions of six Metro Nashville Police Department on Christmas morning are the very reason to respect and appreciate the dedication

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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.

**Verdigris:** (VER-duh-greess) a noun that means a green or bluish deposit formed on brass, copper or bronze surfaces.

"The archeologists didn't know they had uncovered a priceless artifact because it was thick with verdigris."

#### This Week In History

#### Five years ago, 2015

- The Clay County Sheriff's Department wraps up an investigation into BASCA without filing charges, although the agency said BASCA allowed a violent resident live at the facility that serves adults with intellectual and physical disabilities.
- Rep. Charles Van Zant (R-Keystone Heights) files a bill that would give preferential treatment to military families who apply for housing.
- The Florida Department of Health's "Faces of HIV" exhibit makes a one-day stop in Orange Park.

#### 10 years ago, 2010

- Community Hospice and Haven Hospice reach an agreement that would allow Haven to build a care center in northern Clay County.
- Retiring Green Cove Springs City Manager is honored by the city council for his 10 years of service.
- Former Lake County Manager Cindy Hall accepts Orange Park's \$112,500 offer to become the new town manager.

#### 20 years ago, 2000

- The Clay Electric office in Keystone Heights was evacuated after a woman called in a bomb threat.
- A burning candle that ignited a driedout Christmas tree was the cause of a blaze on Abelia Road in Orange Park that destroyed the home
- Green Cove Springs City Council members will meet with the Environmental Protection Agency to address excessive ammonia content in the Harbor Road Wastewater Treatment Plant.

#### 30 years ago, 1990

Hunters stumble onto a stash of

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#### Send us a letter ...

We'd like to hear from you. Perhaps you are concerned about the county commission, the school board or your city council or commission, sit down and take a few moments to write us a letter. All we ask is that you keep it civil, no name-calling

and write no more than 600 words. All we ask is that you stick to local issues, be clear and make a point. We reserve the right to edit for AP Stylebook errors, grammar and spelling. In your email, type Letter to the Editor in your subject and send it to Managing Editor Don Coble at don@opcfla.com. We look forward to hearing from you!

#### Opinions ...

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#### **Ward one of four elected to Board of Directors** for Clay County Development Authority

#### **For Clay Today**

CLAY TODAY - Keith Ward was elected as the next chairman of the Clay County Development Authority's Board of Direc-

Others selected as officers on the board include: Daniel Vallencourt as vice chair-

man; Tiffany Howard | as treasurer: and. Chereese Stewart as secretary.

The Clay County Development A11thority was established by a special act of the Florida Legislature in 1957 the principal purpose of promot-



Keith Ward

ing sound economic development of Clay County. The Development Authority has contributed a great deal to diversifying the

local economy through growth of valueadded businesses.

The development authority is a strategic partner with the Clay County Economic Development Corporation, Clay County Chamber of Commerce, numerous businesses and other local and regional and state agencies to improve the quality of life for residents. The members of the Development Authority are appointed by the Governor and serve four-year terms.

Notable examples of their work include:

- Establishing Harbor Road Industrial Park
- Assisting numerous business recruitment and retention projects
- Providing industrial revenue bond financing for employers
  - Financing capital improvements
- Assisting with health care and education bond financing

# Success

You send your wishes on the wind and expect your plan to magically knock on your front door. This is typically where guidance from a trainer or coach comes in very handy. With a trainer you tell them your goals and they can not only construct a plan but help set milestones for you. Seeing a plan also helps you digest the steps needed to succeed and see the plan executed.

• No accountability

Let's be honest: if we all had perfect accountability my industry wouldn't exist in the first place. Now if you work with a trainer or gym you will have some built in accountability. If not, you need to set your goals and announce them to friends,

family and even social media. Friends can help keep you accountable and some may join you in your journey. Accountability is the one missing piece to most people's program and it is the hardest to accomplish. So, do yourself a favor and get some friendly people in your corner, because you won't want to let anyone down. That can be an even bigger motivator than doing it for vourself.

William Davis has been in the fitness industry for 10 years and he's run Steel Mill Fleming Island for seven years. He's also a USA weightlifting sport performance and USA powerlifting club coach, a CrossFit Level 2 trainer, PN nutrition coach, CrossFit powerlifting trainer, aerobic capacity trainer, movement and mobility trainer and rowing

#### Davis, Sapp appointed to SJR State College Board of Trustees

TALLAHASSEE - Gov. Ron DeSantis has appointed Wendell Davis and Judson Sapp to the St. Johns River State College District Board of Trustees.

Davis, of Fleming Island, is a retired Executive Vice President of Watson Realty Corp and former Clay County Commissioner. He served in and received an Honorable Discharge from the U.S. Army and U.S. Army Reserve.

Davis has served on the St. John River State College District Board of Trustees since 2014 and previously served on the Clay County Utility Authority Board of Supervisors. He has volunteered his time with Fleming Island Rotary, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 421 and the American

Davis earned his bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Flor-

Sapp, of Orange Park, is the Owner of W.J. Sapp & Son, a railroad contractor business he started in 1970. He served in and received an Honorable Discharge from the U.S. States Navy.

Sapp is a Certified General Contractor and licensed real estate broker.

He earned an associate degree from Lake City Junior College and his bachelor's degree from Florida State University.

These appointments are subject to confirmation by the Florida Senate.

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# **New Year**

of our law enforcement officers. Those six officers went door to door to evacuate people from a man man's suicide bomb. While they were able to get people safely to run from danger, they ran toward it. A police officer's work often goes thankless and is criticized. In reality, their work in Nashville – and here in Clay County – is vital to our safety and civility. Thank you.

- No more shortages of toilet paper.
- Changing my vocabulary. I can't wait to erase phrases like new normal, social distancing, flattening the curve and virtual

And now for this week's random thought: Have you noticed how the paper pine trees that used to hang from rearview mirrors have been replaced in the past 10 months by masks? Not only are we reminded of COVID-19 every time we drive to the store, now our cars smell like weekold chili dogs.

History

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military guns and explosives in the woods south of Keystone Heights.

- Teams are being formed for the new Green Cove Springs Soccer Club.
- The county summons 864 residents to small claims court for delinquent rescue bills.

#### 40 years ago, 1980

- William Wilkes is officially sworn in as a Clay County judge.
- Reid Wager is selected as the Outstanding Citizen by the Grand Masonic Lodge of Florida.
- The Gustafson family grants an easement on their property for the installation of a power line.

#### **CLUES ACROSS**

- 1. Home of the Cowboys
- 7. 'Hawaii Five-O' actor McBride
- 10. Most aged
- 12. Fitted with a shoe
- 13. Courteously
- 14. They form over cuts
- 15. Western Alaskan river
- 16. Aggressive men 17. Farm animal
- 18. Young woman (French)
- 19. Sixth month of Hebrew calendar
- 21. Short crv
- 22. State capital
- 27. Rural delivery
- 28. 'Twilight Zone' creator
- 33. Gigabyte
- 34. Flammable hydrocarbon
- 36. Supervises flying
- 37. An actor who plays a principal role
- 38. Furnace for pottery
- 39. Fall back
- 40. Afrikaans word for language

**CLUES DOWN** 2. Romanian city

51. Body part

44. Fleshy

48. Taxis

45. Inventor

- 1. Chinese mountain range
- 3. Fishermen cast it

49. A citizen of Spain

workers (abbr.)

50. Important age for aging

- 4. Shelter from wind
- 5. Sign language 6. Pigpen
- 7. Make sore
- 8. Flat metal shelves
- 9. Forms that say who you are
- 10. Cigar lovers' necessity
- 11. Popular cooking ingredient
- 12. Skin covering the head
- 14. Unshakable
- 17. Exclamation meaning 'Finally!'
- 18. One of the wise men's gifts

- 20 Take away from
- 23. In accordance with the law
- 24. Nicole Kidman's husband

29. Beloved Hollywood alien

- 25. NY Giants legend 26 Utilize
- 30. Unwell
- 31. More destitute
- 32. Grinded together
- 35. Sun up in New York
- 36. Italian-made cars
- 38. Most sacred site in Islam
- 40. Rip apart
- 41. Go in a specified direction
- 42. Freshwater mussel genus
- 43.'\_\_ the Man' Musical
- 44. One thousand cubic
- feet (abbr.) 45. West coast time zone
- 46. Mimic
- 47. You can get one in summer
- 45. PST
- 46. Ape
- 47. Tan





as Hillsborough's next
Superintendent
CLAY COUNTY – Addison Davis will be the



new Superintendent of the Hillsborough

County School District, and it will come at

Addison Davis

the expense of Clay County schools.

The school board unanimously voted [Jan. 22] to hire Davis away from county where he was elected three years ago.

Davis originally was one of 51 candidates to run the eighth-largest school district in the country. He made the first cut to 12 and last week was selected as one of three finalists.

"The big winner of this process are the kids of Hillsborough County," Steve Cona III. "We know the job starts now."

After he was selected. Davis told board members: "I love Clay County. When you get a chance to drive the [eighth] largest school district, that's a game-changer."

# Baptist Health plans new hospital for Clay County

FLEMING ISLAND – To meet the growing need for health care services in Clay County, Baptist Health is planning to build a full-service hospital on its existing Baptist Clay Medical Campus. Groundbreaking will occur in the spring of 2020, with the hospital opening planned for fall of 2022.

The 300,000-square-foot, full-service hospital will open with 100 beds, including women's services and enhanced cardiology services. The hospital will be designed with modern features, including placing diagnostic equipment near the ICU for patients who need it the most, and corridors designed with calming LED lighting, and centralized staff services to minimize

# Dr. James Larson retires after serving community for 45 years

MIDDLEBURG – The Medical Director at Clay Behavioral Health Clinic retired after 45 years of service in the community.

Dr. James Larson is a psychiatrist who has served Clay County in more ways than one. He served in the U.S. Navy for 10 years, with each of those years spent at NAS Jax. He also owned a private practice office and helped those that came to the Clay Behavioral Health Clinic.

While he won't be in medical offices throughout the county anymore, he can still be spotted around town.

"I retired from private practice two years ago," Larson said. "I continued at the [Clay Behavioral] but I started to feel tired. I'm 76 and I figured it was time for retirement so that's what I decided to do, but I'm not going anywhere. I'll still be here."



# Missing Fleming Island woman found in South Georgia landfill

JACKSONVILLE — Officials with the Clay County Sheriff's Office, FBI and the State's Attorney Office found the remains of missing Fleming Island woman, Susan Elizabeth Mauldin in a South Georgia landfill

While she won't be coming back to her Harbor Island Drive home after being re-

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Officials from the FBI and the State Attorney's Office oversee the recovery of Sarah Mauldin's remains in a South Georgia landfill.



How are you feeling today?

Check in with your co-workers, friends, family and neighbors. Ask them, "How are you feeling today?" Someone you know may be delaying important emergency care, chronic care or emotional care. Remind them to get the care they need.

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Remind them to ask about emotional health needs and health concerns that might be weighing on them.

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# Review

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missing in October, 1999, law enforcement officials said they will bring her remains back to Clay County to provide semblance of closure to her friends and neighbors.

When hours turned to days and days turned to weeks after she disappeared last October, few held hope of her being found alive. Those fears were realized when a search team found her in a South Georgia landfill on Wednesday. Dental records confirmed the worst: it was Mauldin.

Within hours, the person of interest in her disappearance, Corey Louis Binderin, a 45-year-old handyman from Fleming Island, was charged with her murder.

#### School district taps Burghart, **Broughton for annual awards**

CLAY COUNTY - Teacher of the Year and School-Related Employee of the Year were selected last week and both educators are ecstatic to take home the award.

Lindsay Burghart is the Teacher of the Year and Cassandra Broughton is the School-Related Employee of the Year. Burghart works at Middleburg High as an intensive reading teacher for juniors and seniors, while Broughton is a be-



Lindsay Burghart

havioral health assistant at W.E. Cherry Elementary in Orange Park.

"This distinguished honor is well deserved as both employees have worked tremendously hard and also garnered the admiration and respect of the students,



parents and staff in Clay County," Superintendent Addison Davis said. "Mrs. Broughton and Mrs. Broughton act as models for everyone in our profession. I am proud that both of these individuals will

Cassandra Broughton represent our district and I look forward to

seeing how they continue to elevate Clay.'

#### Lady Spartan girls win ninth consecutive state soccer title

DELAND -St. Johns Country Day School girls soccer executed a similar game plan as most of their 24-1 season record with an early advantage created by its suffocating defense and a second half scoring blitz in a 4-0 win again St. Petersburg Shorecrest Prep in the Class 2A championship game played Feb. 26.

Shorecrest, with zero shots on goal and zero corner kicks, finished at 14-4-2. For coach Mike Pickett, though, a set play with just 90 seconds into the second half broke a scoreless halftime tie with sophomore Hannah Lemieux netting a feed off

a free kick to the right of the Shorecrest goalie by Paige Crews to put the Spartans on the scoreboard.

# 6 March

#### County's health department, EMS join forces to fight COVID-19

CLAY COUNTY - The nation's focus is flattening the curve of the COVID-19 pandemic and Emergency Management Service Director John Ward said social distancing is the best way to do that.

As of March 18, there currently are four confirmed cases of the virus in Clay County, which is quite low all things considered. But most expect that to change rapidly. If Clay County residents can continue to wash their hands, stay home from work when sick, and keep their distance, it could help flatten the rise of the infection.

'The biggest thing we're pushing for right now is the social distancing," Ward said. "We really need folks to take this seriously. We need people to wash their hands and we need them to stay away from large social gatherings."

#### **David Broskie selected as** interim Superintendent

TALLAHASSEE - Gov. Ron DeSantis appointed David Broskie as the interim Clay County Superintendent of Schools on Feb. 25. This appointment was effective March 2. The governor acted quickly to replace Addison Davis, who resigned his position after being selected unanimously by the Hillsborough County School Board to be its next superintendent. Davis' resignation is effect March 1. Broskie, of Fleming Island, has been the assistant superintendent of the Clay County School District since 2015. He's worked for the school district for 30 years and served as a principal from 2003 until 2015.

#### **Clay County Fair cancelled as** precaution of COVID-19 virus

GREEN COVE SPRINGS - Out of an abundance of caution and due to growing concerns about the COVID-19 virus in relation to large gatherings, the Clay County Fair Association with the support of Clay County Emergency Management and the Florida Department of Health decided to cancel the 2020 fair on March 10.

Fair organizers said the fair will return April 1-10, 2021.

The decision was made following Governor Ron DeSantis' statements to limit large-scale events in the state of Florida as well as our concerns for guests, volunteers, participants and employees.

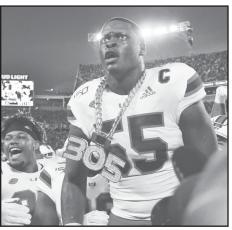
"This was the hardest decision for our board to make, we have never cancelled our fair in the 34 years of existence, but ultimately the health and safety of our community, attendees, partners and volunteers are of the utmost importance," said General Manager Tasha Hyder.

# April

#### Jaguars tag Shaquille **Quarterman in fourth round**

JACKSONVILLE - Oakleaf High School's best and first big-time player, linebacker Shaquille Quarterman, got his most-anticipated phone call after a record setting finish for the University of Miami with a selection by the National Football League Jacksonville Jaguars in the NFL Drafts' fourth round on April 25.

'He's all about football; alpha male, leader, highly productive," said Jaguars Director of College Scouting Mark Ellenz in a videoconference Saturday as posted on Jaguars.com. "I think that's more just kind of a coincidence deal. It wouldn't matter if he wasn't from here. It's a bonus that he is because he's a quality kid and a really



Shaq Quarterman



good football player. This kid's a four-year starter, real productive, smart, tough. All about ball."

Quarterman, who was integral in the Oakleaf High undefeated regular season in 2014 that finished with a set of firsts; the unbeaten regular season, a home first time playoff game followed by two more home playoff games with Niceville High ending the streak in the region finals.

#### Local rum maker now running to make hand sanitizer

MIDDLEBURG - Local rum maker Black Creek Distillery joined the fight against COVID-19.

They have shifted their focus from the production of the popular elixir to manufacturing a product that's in huge demand but short supply: hand sanitizer.

"The TTB [Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau] who governs us, let everybody who is a small distillery like us know that they were relaxing the rules so that

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In March Gov. Ron DeSantis ordered that all restaurants suspend on-premises food and alcohol consumption. The restaurants are allowed to continue operating, given they are providing delivery or take-out services.



# **Obituaries**



#### **Donald J. Kinlin**

Donald J. Kinlin of Fleming Island, Florida passed away on December 22, 2020, survived by his wife of 61 years, Donna (McGrath) and their children, Karen (Barb) Kinlin, Donald Kinlin II, Joseph (Lisa) Kinlin, Kevin (Pam) Kinlin; nine grandchildren, Brandon Kinlin, Donald Kinlin III, Kelly Kinlin, Ryan Kinlin, Tanner Wilson, Kathleen Kinlin, Sean Kinlin, Jackson Kinlin, and Carter Kinlin; three great-grandchildren, Dale, Kole, and Patrick Kinlin.

Don was born in Boston, Massachusetts on November 29, 1938, to the late Joseph Kinlin and Ruth Byrne.

He attended Boston College High School. He began his Air Force career in 1959 retiring 24 years later.

While in the Air Force he obtained his Bachelor's Degree and M.B.A. from Syracuse University, as well as a law degree from the University of Nebraska School of Law

After retiring from the Air Force, Don entered private practice and retired as a partner with the Thompson Hine law firm. Don was the Dayton Airshow Chairman for many years and continued to be on the Board until his death. He was also a member of the National Aviation Hall of Fame Board.

Most importantly, Don will always be remembered for his love of his family. Don was the ultimate father and grandfather and loved all things Irish.

There will be a military funeral scheduled later at Dayton National Cemetery in Ohio.

In lieu of flowers please send a donation to a Veterans Home or the Alzheimer's

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#### **Grace M. Carlisle**

Grace M. Carlisle, age 93, of Green Cove Springs, Florida went to meet our heavenly Father on December 25, 2020. Grace was born in Mount Pleasant, Florida on April 6, 1927.

Grace graduated from Clay High School in 1945. Marrying George L. Carlisle in

1944, between her junior and senior year of high school, George and Grace began raising their family in Green Cove Springs.

George was elected as Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller in 1957 Grace worked as his Chief



Grace M. Carlisle

Deputy Clerk and together they served the citizens of Clay County for 32 years. Grace was a member of the First United Methodist Church in GCS. She was also a member of the Green Cove Springs Elks Club, the Florida Sheriff's Association, the Village Improvement Association, and an honorary member of the Clay County Fair Board.

Grace was preceded in death by her parents, Daniel and Lela Martin, husband, George L. Carlisle, son, Gary G. Carlisle, Sr, 9 siblings, brothers Winton Martin, Herbert Martin, William Luther Martin (WL), sisters Clara Chesser, Louise Rosenbush Ritter, Lola Martin, Jewel Wood, Alice McEachin and sibling who died at birth. She is survived by her son Terry J. Carlisle (Brenda), daughter Linda Carlisle Burkhalter (David), both of Green Cove Springs, Florida, grandchildren, Tracie McRae (Jesse), Greg Carlisle, Gary G. Carlisle, Jr. (Carrie), Martin Carlisle, Nikki Rhoden Lamm, Kevin Carlisle (Katie) and Randy

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Rhoden (Anna), 14 great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, the family requests charitable donations to Community Hospice and Palliative Care of Northeast Florida. Please sign the family's online guestbook at www.broadusraines. com Arrangements are under the care of Broadus-Raines Funeral Home, 501 Spring St., Green Cove Springs, FL 32043. (904) 284-4000



#### **Robert Raymond Allison**

Robert Raymond Allison, 87, of Penney Farms, FL, passed away December 27,

Broadus-Raines Funeral Home, 501 Spring St., Green Cove Springs, FL (904) 284-4000. www.broadusraines.com



#### **Sherry Lynn Nordyke**

Sherry Lynn Nordyke passed away on Friday, December 25, 2020.

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



#### **Janie Marie Newton Altizer**

Janie Marie Newton Altizer, 82 passed away on December 14, 2020 surrounded by her loving family.

She was born in Nash County, NC and was a Supervisor at the Navy Exchange. She was devoted to her family and loved to have them around her.

Janie is survived by her loving husband. Charles "Chuck" R. Altizer; 4 children: Terri (James) Sanchez, Daniel (Jodie) Altizer, Sheila (Ronald) Kirstatter and Judy (Jim) Campbell; grandchildren: Tara (Ryan) Ramsey, Jay Sanchez, Vanessa Fernandez, Sabrina (Anthony) Ayers, Nicole Altizer (Randall Barry), Lisa Altizer, Shane Altizer, Shauna (Bryan) Wright, John "Trey" (Courtney) Gates, Jenny Gates, Mike Campbell and Billy Campbell; greatgrandchildren: Robby Ramsey, Rachel Ramsey, Marlee Sanchez, Maelyn Sanchez, Tanner Fernandez, Judah Ayers, Juliette Avers. Elijah Barry. Emily Barry. Taylor Barry, Caiden Barry, Weston Wright, Avery Wright, Georgia Wright, Olivia Gates, Jae Gates, Amelia Gates, Dallas Pryor, Stephen Campbell, Matthew Campbell, Ashley Campbell, Noel Campbell, and Mikey Campbell; and a host of extended family and friends.

A Celebration of her Life will be held at a later date.

Arrangements by Hardage-Giddens Holly Hill Funeral Home, 3601 Old Jennings Rd, Middleburg, FL.

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

In lieu of flowers, please donate to Community Hospice of Northeast Florida. 4266 Sunbeam Rd, Jacksonville, FL 32257 in Janie's Memory.



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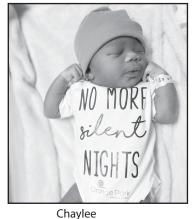
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## **Christmas miracles at Orange Park Medical Center**

ORANGE PARK – Santa left more than presents under the tree for six Clay County parents. Six babies were born on Christmas Day and all were dressed in cute onesies that read, "No More Silent Nights," "I'm Know Cute," "Santa Baby," "Too Cute for the Naughty List." None were given names like Noel, Star or Rudolph. Instead, parents decided on Aaliyah, Adrian, Chaylee, Haidee, Micah and Tracy.



Employees at Orange Park Medical Center were eager to get their Moderna vaccines as soon as the drug to prevent COVID-19 arrived. Frontline healthcare workers were first to receive the vaccine since they work directly with patients.

# **Vaccine**

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providers."

OPMC received its allotment of 2,500 doses two days before Christmas. Ascension St. Vincent's Clay County in Middleburg should be receiving its vaccines within days. St. Vincent's dedicated its first shipment of inoculations last week, and it's already giving doses to its employees at its downtown Jacksonville location.

The first round of vaccines was slated for frontline workers at hospitals that deal

with COVID-19 cases. On the same day Orange Park received its vaccines, Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis issued an executive order that mandated the first to get inoculations will be health care personnel with direct patient contact, persons 65 or older and members and staff of long-term care facilities.

The state's combined rollout of 367,000 Moderna and Pfizer doses will take two weeks to deliver, the Florida Department of Health reported.

All 2,500 doses at Orange Park will be spent on the employees of the hospital.



People on the front lines, COVID nursing unit, ER, ICU were first in line.

Hundreds received their shots at OPMC on the day the vaccine arrived, including Descallar. Unused vaccines will be redirected to other hospitals.

"We know the Moderna vaccine is extremely close in ethoxy compared to the Pfizer vaccine," Descallar said. "Honestly, receiving the vaccine is huge. It's a sigh of relief and a large feeling of optimism. This is a huge step in this fight against this CO-VID-19 pandemic."

The medical community has been on defense since the virus was unleashed from China a year ago. Descallar said the way the virus spread so quickly was "one of many punches," the community has been forced to endure.

With the new vaccine, the world finally is able to go on offense.

Descallar said there were early indications the coronavirus would be more widespread than originally believed.

"We some sort of idea based on the things we were seeing coming out of China," Descallar said. "But it really took the country by storm. I think before it really hit us, there was a large feeling of apprehension. Luckily our group over here at Orange Park rode the wave pretty well. I think that we've persevered up until now."

Once federal and state officials create a detailed distribution plan, DeSantis said future doses will go to CVS and Walgreens pharmacies, as well as second tier of susceptible residents in late winter or early spring.

# Boom

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he's the mastermind behind the massive display.

"It's my third year doing it for Royal Pointe, but this is something I've done before all of this as well," Allen said. "We're all really excited to bring this to everyone for free, especially in a year like this."

The New Year's Eve celebration begins at Vianey Place located in Royal Pointe on Henley at 5 p.m. There will be seven dif-

ferent food trucks there, featuring a wide range of different types of food, Allen said. The celebration will be open to all, free of charge. But those wanting to eat will have to the buy food from the trucks.

Allen said there will be plenty of parking and guests should bring their own seats for the fireworks viewing area, although the fireworks will be viewable from the surrounding areas.

The fireworks show will begin at 9 p.m. and will take place in a big field-like area in the subdivision.

"I am a licensed pyrotechnician and

the show should be pretty awesome," Allen said

Allen's show is compatible to programs offered by cities and counties. He also said unlike fireworks bought at roadside stands, his fireworks are limited solely to licensed pyrotechnicians.

Allen is no stranger to providing big shows in his neighborhood. For the past 15 years he's been the creator of the Haunted House in the Winn-Dixie plaza.

Allen said Royal Pointe puts all of it together and he's just lucky enough to be the person they ask to help. He's excited to be back for the third consecutive year, and he said he can't wait for everyone to see what he's been cooking up for this New Year's Eve celebration.

"It's completely free to see the fireworks and we're so happy to do this for a third time," Allen said. "It's been a tough year and fireworks can be expensive so it's nice to be able to do this for people.

"We're just a bunch of guys in the neighborhood shooting fireworks and we can't wait for everyone to see the show."



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we could make industrial alcohol, which is what hand sanitizer is characterized as," said Dave Fleming, co-owner of Black Creek Distillery with his wife, Suzette.

"So up until June 30, we don't have to get an industrial alcohol permit. They gave us the WHO [World Health Organization] recipe, and they provided us a label for the back of it that says as long as you make it just like this, this is your label."

#### **COVID-19 robs spotlight from** Waugh's retirement from Clay **County Fair**

GREEN COVE SPRINGS - Tom Waugh, a 40-year veteran of the Clay County Sheriff's Office and 19-year veteran of the Clay County Agricultural Fair Board, finally decided to call it quits.

The 2020 fair was supposed the final on the board for the 73-year-old, but cancellation due to the COVID-19 outbreak made his retirement happen in an unforeseen way.

Members of the board of directors are volunteers, and they serve two three-year terms for a total of six years. There is an advisory seat, which is for past board members. That is how Waugh was able to maintain a position for 19 years.

#### **Attempts to downsize Orange** Park Plaza denied by Council

ORANGE PARK - The push to build Orange Park Plaza on Kingsley Avenue took another step forward on May 14 at the Planning and Zoning Meeting at the Town Hall of Orange Park council chamber.

The two main applications for the Orange Park Plaza, application for smallscale land use amendment, and PUD rezoning applications were both recommended for denial by the council.

Many people spoke, both in favor, but more so against the project. There were also numerous write-ins and phone calls with Orange Park residents. The opposition was based on different points, such as perceived increases in traffic, noise and a spillover of parking into nearby residential neighborhoods.

#### **CCSO** deputy accused of having sex with a 15-year-old girl

GREEN COVE SPRINGS - A 36-yearold deputy with the Clay County Sheriff's Office was arrested by the Green Cove Springs Police Department following an investigation involving a 15-year-old girl. Travis R. Pritchard was charged with lewd and lascivious behavior with handling, fondling or assault on a child younger than 16, as well as in-state electronic transmission to harm a child. According the GCSPD, the victim's mother alerted the department after she learned of a possible relationship between the two. The victim said he met Pritchard at school, and initially the two met daily at a convenience store across the street from Clay High. Their relationship moved to Snapchat, where the victim said Pritchard eventually convinced her to send a topless photo of her. The girl said Pritchard climbed through an open window at her house when the adults were asleep. According to the arrest report, the encounters lasted for nearly four months.

#### Clay sophomore donates fair pig to local food pantry

more who hoped to get a top bid at the county fair auction wound up donating his

Clay High sophomore and 4-H member raising pigs from birth.

COVID-19 changed everything. The fair was canceled, leaving Mauch with a 280-pound pig.

Mauch paid for the processing fees to have the pig butchered on May 16. He delivered 200 pounds of sausage and pork chops to the food bank.

She said that much meat will translate to enough food to feed 30 to 40 families of four, meaning Mauch's donation could feed up to 120 people.



#### **Reinhold Foundation awards** \$100,000 at Celebrate Clay virtual ceremony

FLEMING ISLAND - The Paul E. and Klare N. Reinhold Foundation, Inc. held its annual "Celebrate Clay" community service awards ceremony virtually on June

In addition to this year's format change, also new this year the Reinhold Foundation increased the amount of the total cash awards from \$75,000 to \$100,000. All 47 award categories saw an increase in cash gifts in 2020.

Clay Behavioral Health Center captured the top honor this year, earning the \$15,000 Paul E. Reinhold Community Service Award.

A panel of five judges including three volunteers from the community and two representatives on behalf of the Reinhold Foundation voted on the best projects and volunteers of 2019 to determine the winners of the \$100,000 in cash awards.

#### **Doctors Lake Phosphorus Removal Pilot Project goes**

FLEMING ISLAND - A full-scale demonstration project of the St. Johns River Water Management District to remove phosphorus from treated wastewater now is working to reduce the overabundance of nutrients that cause algal blooms in Doc-

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ORANGE PARK - A Clay High sophoprized pig to a local food bank.

Brody Mauch spent months raising his piglet into a full-grown hog in preparation for the annual Clay County Agricultural Fair livestock auction. He not only wanted to showcase his pig at the fair, but he wanted others to know the story behind



Brody Mauch, right, shows the pork he delivered to a local food bank. He raised a pig for judging at the Clay County Fair and he had it slaughtered for a worthy cause when it was canceled.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

**Tentative Five - Year Work Program** Florida Department of Transportation
District Two & Florida's Turnpike Enterprise Fiscal Years 2021/2022 - 2025/2026

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) will conduct a public hearing pursuant to Section 339.135(4)(c), Florida Statutes, to consider the Department's (District Two and Florida's Turnpike Enterprise) Tentative Five-Year Work Program for Fiscal Years 2021/2022 - 2025/2026, and to consider the necessity of making any changes to the Work Program. All persons are invited to attend and be heard.

Public Hearing - Thursday January 14, 2021 Open House: 4:30 P.M. to 6:30 P.M. Presentation: 6:00 P.M. FDOT District Two Urban Office - Training Facility 2198 Edison Avenue, Jacksonville, FL 32204

This meeting will serve as the official public hearing for the Tentative Five-Year Work Program. There will be a brief overview of the work program development process at 6:00 p.m. followed by a public comment period.

The Department is offering two ways for the community to participate in the hearing. Interested persons may join the virtual public hearing (VPH) at <a href="www.nflroads.com/vph">www.nflroads.com/vph</a> from a computer, tablet or phone. Or, they may participate in person by going to the FDOT Urban Office Training Center, 2198 Edison Avenue, Jacksonville, FL 32204. A VPH is a free live presentation or webinar over the internet.

All participants, regardless of the platform they choose, will participate in the same live hearing. At this time, Internet Explorer is not supported by GoToWebinar, and the link for the meeting will not work on this platform. Please use an alternate web browser to attend

For participants who are unable to attend the webinar, they can listen to the hearing by calling +1 (562) 247-8422 and entering access code 870-570-126 when prompted. Please note while the call-in number is listen-only, callers may submit comments directly to Mr. Greg Evans, FDOT District Two Secretary, at the address listed below.

Attendees will be asked to follow all safety and sanitation guidelines as well as adhere to any local ordinances. Attendees who are not feeling well should not attend the in-person

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, disability or family status. Persons who require special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act or persons who require translation services (free of charge) should contact James Driggers, Jr at (800) 749-2967 ext. 3722 at least 7 days before the baseline.

All proposed documents are available for review on-line at <a href="www.nflroads.com/vph">www.nflroads.com/vph</a>. If you would like to submit written comments, you may submit them at the hearing or our website at <a href="www.nflroads.com/vph">www.nflroads.com/vph</a> or by mail/email. All written comments need to be received by the Department no later than <a href="January 28, 2021">January 28, 2021</a>, to be documented as part of the public later transported. hearing transcript.

Written comments should be addressed to:

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(386) 758-3700 or (800) 749-2967
Email: greg.evans@dot.state.fl.us

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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ors Lake.

After breaking ground in September 2019, the Doctors Lake Phosphorus Removal Pilot Project officially started June 5, removing dissolved phosphorus from treated wastewater from the Clay County Utility Authority's Fleming Island Regional Wastewater Plant before it is reused for irrigation in the Doctors Lake watershed. The project will reduce the phosphorous concentration by 90% and will assist in furthering water quality improvements in Doctors Lake and the Lower St. Johns River Basin.

# Teen Court graduates get scholarships, visit by Clerk Tara Green

LAKE ASBURY – Teen Court seniors were in for a number of different surprises, including driveway greetings and scholarships.

Grace O'Neill opened it to find some Teen Court staff and Clerk of Courts Tara Green. O'Neill was first presented with a yard sign congratulating her on finishing senior year. That alone brought a big smile to O'Neill's face but shortly after that, Taylor presented to her a \$1,000 scholarship.

The scholarship, the Clerk's Award, is a \$1000 scholarship that O'Neill can use on anything she wants in college – books, tuition, class supplies and more.

Other award recipients include Timothy Sinclair and Jonathan Lopez. Sinclair received the Star Scholarship award and Lopez received the Jim Thies Scholarship award. Teen Court staff visited the other seniors in Teen Court that day, too. They stopped by the houses of Erica Carnegie, Inez Nieves, Melody Knight and Karl Stillword, as well.

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# After several delays, officials break ground on new Pace Center

ORANGE PARK – After several delays created by the COVID-19 pandemic, a groundbreaking ceremony for the new Pace Center for Girls is scheduled for July 24.

The Pace Center has been a talking point in the goals of both Sen. Rob Bradley

and Rep. Travis Cummings for years. The two congressmen will be at the ground-breaking ceremony, as well as other county leaders, including Pace CEO Mary Marx and executive director Destani Shadrick.

Marx said Pace anticipated the groundbreaking in January or February before the pandemic changed the schedule.

Pace serves girls that are experiencing any number of risk factors. The top three risk factors facing girls in Clay County is poverty, with 96% of Pace's girls living in the low to extremely low-income level, domestic violence and incarcerated guardians.

# Unite Keystone organizers committed to affecting change

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS – Zac Taylor wasn't looking to start trouble when he reached out to four friends to start a discussion about social issues and racism in their hometown.

The original plan to meet on the Fourth of July at Keystone Beach was supposed to attract about 15 people. But thanks to

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social media, it quickly turned into story that made the national news cycle.

Unite Keystone Heights was created to turn racial issues from the hallways at the junior and senior high school into a public discussion

The march never happened. Neither did the one planned for Aug. 8.

# National Cycling Championships canceled by pandemic

CLAY COUNTY – The COVID-19 pandemic has claimed another victim on July

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Unite Keystone members (back, from left) Sarah Garcia and Lane Peoples, and (front, from left) Makayla Bruno-Smith and Ciarrah Fernandez.

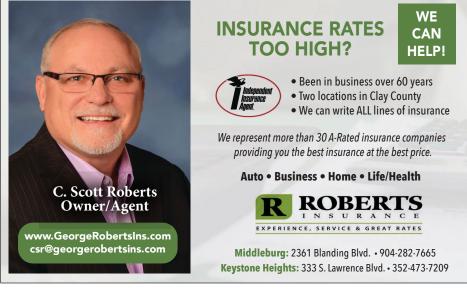


Grace O'Neill, second from left, is joined by Teen Court Administrator Stacey Smith, left, Clerk of Court Tara Green, third from left, and Teen Court Director Michelle Taylor.









# Renovations will allow GCS Food Pantry to expand services

By Bruce Hope bruce@opcfla.com

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – A new and updated version of the Green Cove Springs Food Pantry is ready to do its job at a higher level, serving even more families in need than it did previously. The building, located at 1107 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd., has undergone significant renovations and expansion.

The remodeling came at the cost of about \$150,000, which was supplied via CARES Act funding in the last economic stimulus package.

The project began from idea to completion last February and is now complete.

"We came up with the idea for the project around the first month that COVID [19] kind of started," said Steve Thomas, Assistant Public Works Director for the city of Green Cove Springs. "And we came up with some projects and submitted them for COVID money. This one was approved."

The renovation created between 800-1,000 additional square feet of space. The extra space will provide more area for storage of foodstuffs in addition to an office, a waiting room for families and restrooms. The renovations also will help provide and prepare more than canned and non-perishable food to the community, as well as allow it to keep more donations in its center of operations.

"The Food Pantry has been an integral



A volunteer stocks the shelves at the Green Cove Springs Food Pantry. The nonprofit received \$150,000 in CARES Act money to remodel and expand.

part of our community and the county," Green Cove Springs Mayor Van Royal said. "This expansion not only allows them more space for storage, but they will be able to store in refrigerators as well as freezer space. Access will be easier, and the volunteers will be able to move goods in and out with much less effort. It makes volunteering easier and allows them to better serve our city and families all over Clay County."

The pantry expects to provided better

services for the Green Cove Springs community than it did in its previous iteration.

"I imagine they would be able to help 200-300 more [families], if not more than that," said Thomas. "I believe they [the food pantry] can hold all the food that they ever have donated or delivered."

"There's just so many blessings that come with this building that's going to make our job easier and make it easier to help our clients," said Wynema Lovell, the

director of the pantry.

The interior renovation included new shelves, storage racks, food prep tables and other appliances to aid in the day-to-day operation of the pantry. On the outside, changes will continue into the spring. The changes will include a paved drive-through lane, a parking circle and overhead cover for an area where families can pick up prepared packages in case of inclement weather

"The CARES Act has been a great opportunity to strengthen our nonprofit organizations and increase their capacity to help those in the community most impacted by the COVID-10 pandemic," said Clay County Commission Chairman Mike Cella. "The improvements made at the Green Cove Springs Food Pantry were funded through a partnership with Clay County and the City of Green Cove Springs and will have a lasting impact that will directly benefit local families."

All of the electrical wiring and lighting inside the buildings also were replaced, and the installation of a new HVAC system was installed.

"The food pantry does nothing but help people in the city of Green Cove Springs, and that's what the CARES Act money was for," said Thomas. "With a lot of people out of work, they [the food pantry], were serving a lot more people than usual. So it really is a good thing for the food bank to be getting this funding and get this done."

#### **Resolutions and Rover**

# Pets can help owners keep their New Year's resolutions

By Wesley LeBlanc wesley@opcfla.com

CLAY COUNTY – Sticking to a New Year's resolutions can be difficult. But your furry friends might be able to help.

Perhaps your resolution deals with losing weight or getting into better shape. Perhaps you're looking to tackle your social anxiety in the new year with hopes of making new friends. The Best Friends Animal Society, which is a national animal welfare organization focused on making America a no-kill nation by 2025, recommends using your dog or cat to help you achieve these goals.

"It's that time of the year again when many of us start making New Year's resolutions," the society said. "After a tumultuous 2020, it may be more imperative than ever to strive for a physical, mental and emotional balance. The good news is that there is someone who might be able to help you reach those goals who's closer than you think: your dog or cat."

Clay County Animal Services program

coordinator Courtney Sumner said dogs and cats are excellent partners for New Year's resolutions. She said not only are they great for exercising, but they can serve as great reminders of what you should and shouldn't eat, and they can help you tackle issues related to social anxiety by way of a dog's general nature.

"Dogs kind of force you into social situations," Sumner said. "They don't mean to do it, but when they see strangers, they might take you in that direction and all of a sudden you're speaking to a stranger about your dog, what kind of dog they are and more. You might not realize it, but that's probably helping your social anxiety. You're talking to someone new and the comfort of your dog is helping make that go smoothly."

She said taking your dog to a park is a great way to continue tackling social anxiety. You can meet other pet owners, and your own dog will get to make some new friends as well.

"By nature of owning a dog, you'll find yourself in a lot of social situations you might not otherwise find yourself in and if,



Your pet can be a great companion on your journey to accomplish your New Year's Resolution.

say your resolution is to be more social, your dog will help make that happen."

That's not all pets are good for, especially dogs. If your goal is to lose weight or get into better shape, walking your dog is a great place to start. Dogs should be walked often because they need exercise just like humans. If you're walking your dog every day, you'll start to see the pounds drop, according to the society. If you're the kind of dog owner that feeds your dog a BBQ chip or two while you're eating some as a snack,

try adjusting your snack intake to be morehealthy for you and your furry friend.

"This year, swap out fatty, sweet or salty treats and start sharing some good-for-you snacks with your pet," the society said. "Dogs can eat raw sunflower or pumpkin seeds, plus produce like water-melon, blackberries, cranberries, blueberries, bananas, apple slices and baby car-

# **Police Briefs**

# Orange Park man charged with murder following Christmas Day shooting

ORANGE PARK - A Christmas Day ar-

gument resulted in the shooting death of a woman and second-degree murder charges against a man.

Kiaun Shannard Miller, 24, of Orange Park, was being held in the Clay County Jail without bond after deputies found Shantdella Garcon



Kiaun Shannard Miller

with three gunshot wounds to the left side of her body.

According to the arrest report, deputies were called to The Park at Matera Apartment Homes at 2150 Spencer Road for a disturbance. They said found Garcon against the sliding glass door on the back porch. Neighbors reported hearing a loud argument, three gunshots and a woman's plea to be let inside.

A witness said Garcon came to Miller's girlfriend's apartment on Christmas Day and demanded to see Miller. Garcon and Miller have a child together. After Garcon was allowed to enter, Miller and Garcon went to the back porch. The girlfriend said she saw Miller brandish a handgun.

Detectives said Miller eventually admitted to shooting his former girlfriend. He also said he didn't recall many of the facts because he was "blacking out."

# Couple accused to shooting five times at homeowner during robbery

ORANGE PARK – A Jacksonville Beach woman and Orange Park man were charged Dec. 22 with attempted murder and armed burglary following an investigation into a home robbery on Dec. 5.

Kirstyn Leigh Craft, 24, also was

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rots.

Sumner said to consult with your veterinarian to determine your dog's dietary needs, but healthy snacks are a great place to start. She said to be mindful of the snacks we perceive as healthy because not all are OK for dogs to eat. Grapes and raisins, for example, can be toxic to pets.

"You'd be surprised how integrated a dog can be in your New Year's resolution plans," Sumner said. "They require the exercise, healthy diet and social time you do so why not do that together?"

charged with accessory after the fact for driving Zakariya Da'Ud Clarke to a house on Eldridge Avenue on Dec. 5.

Clarke, 27, of Orange Park, also was charged with possession of a firearm and ammo by a convicted felon.



Kirstyn Leigh Craft

According to the arrest report, Clarke entered the home with the intent to rob the homeowner of money and Xanax. The intruder fired five times at the homeowner and his wife, but missed after they hid in their bedroom. Deputies found spent .40 caliber casings inside the home.

Craft and Clarke were stopped in Duval County in a stolen car. Jacksonville Sheriff's Office investigators found a .40 caliber casing on the floorboard, as well as a loaded .40 calibert Smith and Wesson pistol.

Clarke's bond was set at \$850,009, while Craft's bond was set at \$450,009.

# One man jailed following fight between brother, step-brother

ORANGE PARK - A fight between a brother and his step-brother led the one man being arrested for aggravated domestic battery with a deadly weapon.

Kevin Lee Degolyer, 28, of Orange Park was charged after the Clay County Sheriff's Office responded to a reported domestic incident on Dec. 23.

His step-brother was found with cuts on his head after being struck with a metal object, and a small cut on the back of his left arm after he was thrown through a wooden fence, CCSO said.

Deputies also found a metal crowbar near the broken fence.

# Wanted Middleburg man returned to Clay County Jail

JACKSONVILLE – A man was sent back to Clay County to face two charges of selling and delivering heroin.

Gary Lee Penny Jr., 42, of Middleburg, was arrested in Duval County. He was returned to the Clay County Jail o Dec. 23 to face a pair of year-old warrants.



According to the arrest report, Penny is suspected to mak-

ing two sales to an undercover informant on Oct. 1, 2019, and Oct. 17, 2019.

Penny's bond was set at \$150,006.

# **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.

#### Monday, Dec. 28

Matthew S. Hill, 39, Green Cove Springs, two counts possession-controlled substance

Kenneth L. Taylor, 37, Orange Park, two counts burglary, resist/obstruct/oppose law enforcement

William J. Horne, 45, Middleburg, trespassing

Lucas C. Jewett, 31, Middleburg, selling methamphetamine

Isaiah M. Byrd, 19, Orange Park, fraudulent use of credit card

Kayela A. Kelly, 26, Middleburg, discharging firearm in public

Sara C. Prewett, 43, Oakleaf, aggravated cruelty to animals

Joyce F. Thomas, 38, Green Cove Springs, FTA-DWSLR

Ramon L. Arzola Santiago, 54, Middleburg, two counts simple domestic battery Derek P. Valle, 27, Fleming Island, DUI with property damage

Antauin D.W. Henderson, 35, Orange Park, felony warrant

#### Sunday, Dec. 27

Jason R. Meadows, 29, Keystone Heights, VOP-larceny

Jeremy N. Hannah, 45, Orange Park, VOP-community control

Thaddeus E. Smith, 43, Orange Park, fugitive from justice

Matthew S. Hill, 39, Green Cove Springs, felony domestic battery by strangulation, simple domestic battery

#### Saturday, Dec. 26

None

#### Friday, Dec. 25

Kelsey L. Puhl, 28, Middleburg, FTA Ryan M. Melton, 35, Keystone Heights, simple battery

Kiaun S. Miller, Orange Park, seconddegree murder

#### Thursday, Dec. 24

Courtney T. Vinson, 26, Fleming Island, FTA-DWSLR

Ray M. Drayton, 53, Middleburg, DUI Kevin L. Degolyer, 28, Orange Park, aggravated domestic battery with deadly weapon

Zachary A. Wells, 31, Orange Park, FTA Timothy J. Kelley, 36, Lake Asbury, DWLSR

Barbara J. Sindelar, 32, Orange Park, grand theft auto, possession/use-drug paraphernalia

Adriel R. Finley, 36, Middleburg, retail theft

Daniel W. Lasiter, 61, Fleming Island,

DUI, driving without license

#### Wednesday, Dec. 23

Kristopher M. Cladd, 18, Fleming Island, FTA

Prudencia E Fray Sauaje, 63, Orange Park, non-support

Whitney L. Wilhite, 33, Green Cove Springs, VOP-smuggling contraband into detention facility

Gary L. Penny, 42, Middleburg, two counts sale/delivery-heroin

Rachel L. Atkinson, 22, Green Cove Springs, FTA-battery, FTA-possession/usedrug paraphernalia

Ryan C. Humphrey, 28, Green Cove Springs, VOP-fraudulent use of credit card Adam G. Jordan, 31, Green Cove Springs, VOP-warrantless arrest

Erin B. Aderhold, 26, Orange Park, petit

Destiny M. Steed, 21, Orange Park, retail

petit theft William M. Comalander, 35, Middleburg, VOP-community control

Jessica A. Fabri, 36, Orange Park, domestic battery

Brian W. Jones, 38, Orange Park, retail petit theft, possession-cocaine, possession/use-drug paraphernalia

#### Tuesday, Dec. 22

Robert C. Sylvester, 39, Orange Park, DUI, DWLSR

Joshua R. Welch, 37, Orange Park, resist/obstruct/oppose law enforcement, trespassing

David J. Sturgis, 35, Keystone Heights, two counts selling synthetic narcotics, two counts use of two-way device to facilitate a felony

Arianna K. Gooch, 22, Middleburg, retail petit theft

Jermaine D. Small, 26, Green Cove Springs, four counts burglary

Christopher K. Nesbit, 34, Orange Park, retail petit theft, resist/obstruct/oppose law enforcement

Fred Honeycutt, 42, Middleburg, aggravated assault

Jeffrey W. Greathouse, 44, Orange Park, retail petit theft

Kirstyn L. Craft, 24, Green Cove Springs, attempted murder, accessory after the fact, burglary

Zakariya D. Clarke, 27, Orange Park, attempted murder, armed burglary, possession-firearm/ammo by convicted felon

Shiann S. Holling, 21, Orange Park, two counts retail petit theft, battery on law enforcement/firefighter/EMT

Richard C. Devore, 31, Fleming Island, retail theft, possession-controlled substance, possession/use-drug paraphernalia Jeffrey R. Bassett, 29, Middleburg, VOPdomestic battery



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2. This time it was the multiple events of the National Cycling Championships.

The scheduled events in Keystone Heights, Penney Farms and Fleming Island were canceled, after having previously been rescheduled for September 10-13. With the resurgence of the pandemic following the reopening of the state and Florida regularly posting record days of new COVID-19 cases, it was decided by USA Cycling to cancel the events until next year.

'We're disappointed that we're not able to have everybody come in this year." said Joel Lamp, Senior Director of Tourism and Events for Airstream Ventures. "But we're looking forward to next year and continuing our partnership with USA Cycling and having everyone come back in '21 for what will be an exciting championship."

USA Cycling had worked for months and gone through multiple plans to try and find a viable way to continue to have the athletes compete in the events as previously planned.

# August

#### Michelle Cook, David Broskie, **Diane Hutchings win key Clay County primary elections**

CLAY COUNTY - There's a new sheriff in town.

Clay High graduate and former Atlantic Beach Police Chief Michelle Cook received 37% of the vote to emerge from a crowded field of candidates, including beleaguered Sheriff Darryl Daniels, to become the first woman to win the county's highest law enforcement post. She's will be sworn in on

Cook met with supporters at Whitey's Fish Camp while they waited for results to pour in. When she was declared the winner, she used a bullhorn to assure the raucous crowd she will strive to earn their respect.



Michelle Cook during her victory party.

In other key races, David Broskie officially dropped his interim label as superintendent after he beat former Superintendent Charlie Van Zant 47.66%-37.59%, while Diane Hutchings ousted Ronnie Robinson to become the next tax collector.

#### **Daniels suspended as Clay County Sheriff following arrest**

GREEN COVE SPRINGS - Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis suspended Clay County Sheriff Darryl Daniels Aug. 14 after the embattled sheriff was arrested a day earlier following a year-long investigation by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement and the State Attorney's Office.

Five days later, Clay County voters officially removed him from office by electing Michelle Cook at the next sheriff.

DeSantis selected Matt Walsh of the Jacksonville Florida Department of Law Enforcement office on Aug. 15 to serve as the interim sheriff.

DeSantis' executive order states Daniels can't serve as the county's sheriff or be paid until a new executive order is issued after one felony charge of destroying evidence and three misdemeanor charges of making false claims a former lover was stalking him.

#### **Clay County schools celebrate** first day on campus since **COVID-19 shutdown**

FLEMING ISLAND – The first bell of the

schoolyear at Fleming Island Elementary rang shortly after 8:30 on July 25. Moments later, students, teachers and staff were welcomed with a thunderous "Good morning!" from principal Jennifer Collins.

Her voice was filled with excitement and energy. Months of frustration, isolation and preparation finally ended when 550 students returned to the classroom and another 150 joined online classrooms at Fleming Island.

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 COVID-19, Superintendent David Broskie said.

#### **Gold Head State Park listed on National Register of Historic Places**

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS – The Florida Park Service's Mike Roess Gold Head Branch State Park was officially listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

The designation was made because of the 33 historic buildings, four sites, and 17 other structures within the 1,823-acre historic boundary of the park. The nine stone cabins, pavilion, overlook and bathhouse were constructed on State Road 21 by the Civilian Conservation Corps between 1935 and 1942, and situated around five lakes and Gold Head Branch Creek.

Road improvements and the establishment of a campground were also performed

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by the CCC during this period. Additionally, the park is home to one of the few remaining stands of old growth longleaf pines in Florida.



#### End of watch: CCSO Sqt. Eric Twisdale

MIDDLEBURG — The loud beep from the 911 call center emitted from every law enforcement, fire and rescue officer wearing a two-way radio throughout the county, followed by the following instructions:

"Attention all units. Attention all units. The Clay County Sheriff's Office respectfully requests to serve a moment of radio silence in memory of Sgt. Eric Twisdale, who died brave on Sept. 16, 2020."

Clay County Sheriff's Office Sgt. Eric Twisdale was laid to rest on Sept. 24, but not before leaving an indelible impression on everyone he met. He died in the line of duty of complications created by CO-VID-19, Sheriff Michelle Cook said.

The 49-year-old sergeant who supervised the led the agency's crime scene unit, died Sept. 16 after being hospitalized with the deadly virus. He was survived by a former wife, three children, six grandchildren and a sheriff's office that was devastated by his death.



Sgt. Eric Twisdale is laid to rest.

# Sheriff: COVID-19 breakout at jail was 'a matter of time'

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – Clay County Sheriff Michelle Cook said the recent outbreak of COVID-19 at the county jail was not only expected, but inevitable.

After announcing 18 positive cases of the deadly virus on Sept. 14, Cook said a new round of tests have turned up 156 infected inmates and eight detention deputies.

Counting between "60 and 70" inmates who've refused testing, nearly half of the jail population now is in isolation.

"As of [Monday] morning, we have 156 positive COVID-19 cases in the Clay County Jail among our population. This is among a population of 472 inmates. We have eight detention deputies that have tested positive, as well. We have 104 total deputies that work for us [in the jail]," Cook said.

# County awarded \$300,000 to fight growing opioid abuse

CLAY COUNTY – The county's health department was awarded more than \$300,000 to fight against opioid abuse.

The Florida Department of Health in Clay County in a partnership with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention announced it has been awarded \$322,000 that will run through August 2020 to fund the department's work in obtaining comprehensive and timely data on overdose morbidity and mortality. That data will be used to help the county's prevention and response efforts.

Community health services liaison Lisa Rogers said Clay County's 2018 rate of 22.5 deaths for every 100,000 residents is higher than the 2018 state average rate of 18.7.

The money will help it determine why Clay County's rate is so high and how best to fight to bring it down. This grant is an Overdose Data Action grant from the CDC and was awarded to Clay as "general prevention and community paramedicine." What this translates to is the creation of a task force whose sole purpose is to tackle Clay's opioid challenge.

# October

# Two dozen Clay County educators share \$20,000 grant

CLAY COUNTY – More than two dozen school district teachers received a portion of \$20,000 of the Clay Education Foundation and the Community First Cares Foundation

The two foundations delivered grants ranging from \$500 to \$2,000 to 26 educators in the Clay County School District to help teachers fund new and unique STEAM projects for their students this year. The goal is for the grant to cover the cost of this year's project for each teacher and the goal of each project is to tap into unique STEAM ideas that can be replicated for future classes

Grants were given to 26 recipients across 15 elementary, junior high and high schools. When teachers learned that their grant application was accepted however, they had no idea what was in store.

# Clay High janitor pleads guild to filming girls in locker room

JACKSONVILLE – Jason Brian Goff,



Keystone • (352) 473-4917 Orange Park • (904) 272-2456 clayelectric.com 44, of Starke, pleaded guilty to attempted production of child pornography. He faces a minimum mandatory penalty of 15 years - and up to 30 years - in federal prison. A sentencing date wasn't set. According to the plea agreement, in August 2019, two 14-year-old Clay High School students reported that they had seen what they believed was a camera lens, concealed within a locked gym locker, in the girls' locker room. When school administrators unlocked the locker, they discovered a cellphone taped to the side wall of the locker with the lens pointed out of a pre-fabricated hole. One of the girls said she noticed a hole in the locker while her friend dressed and she saw the cellphone through the hole. The lock on No. 152 also had a black face, while the other lockers had green-faced locks.

# Fleming Island's Carnegie to represent Clay at Miss Florida Teen USA

FLEMING ISLAND – Erica Carnegie, 18, has been selected to represent Clay County at the Miss Florida Teen USA competition next year.

Carnegie recently learned that she'll represent the county April's Miss Florida Teen USA pageant, and she couldn't be more excited for the opportunity. It's a chance for her to showcase years of personal work but also a chance to highlight something very important and close-to-home.

Miss Florida Teen USA will be the largest stage yet for Carnegie to spread awareness of AVM and the National Youth Ambassador Program for The Aneurysm and AVM Foundation she founded. Carnegie founded the first youth ambassador program for the foundation after simply reaching out to them to ask about whether a program like



Erica Carnegie



it existed. She was given the opportunity to kick the program off and assemble a team of other ambassadors.



# Voters approve half-cent sales tax for schools during election

CLAY COUNTY — Voters turned out in record numbers in Clay County, and they overwhelmingly decided to repair local schools, send Kat Cammack to the U.S. House of Representatives and Jennifer Bradley to the Florida Senate and to keep President Donald Trump in the White House

The numbers were impressive: 124,920 registered voters in the county cast ballots. Overall, their decisions were decisive.

As expected, voters supported Trump's re-election more than two-to-one against all other candidates. They also backed Cammack's election to Ted Yoho's 3rd District seat in the U.S. House, Sam Garrison's bid to replace Travis Cummings in the District 18 seat in the Florida House and Bradley's campaign to replace her husband Rob Bradley as the District 5 representative in the Florida Senate.

Republican Bobby Payne defeated Kimberly Dugger for the District 19 seat in the Florid House. The district is comprised of portions of Putnam, Clay and Union counties.

They also put Beth Clark on the Clay County School Board. The real estate agent and first-time candidate defeated longtime school board Carol Studdard for the District 2 seat. Studdard had been on the board since 1992.

One of the most-important issues was a proposed half-cent sales tax to provide money for more than \$300 million in overdue repairs and another \$300 million to build new schools.

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#### **Clay County Teen Court Mock Trial Team wins state** championship

GREEN COVE SPRINGS - The Clay County Teen Court Mock Trial Team successfully defended its title over the weekend of Nov. 7-8 at the FSU Sunshine State Showdown. The team didn't lose in four rounds, defeating 12 teams to become back-to-back state champions.

Teams from all over Florida competed, including Bolles, Miami Arts Studio, American Heritage, Stanton College Preparatory, Lakeland Christian and Hialeah.

The team was assigned a case they had to prepare according to normal legal procedures such as reading witness statements, exhibits, objections and evidence rules.

Coach Kendra New, a Green Cove Springs lawyer, is a veteran of the program, who practices corporate, civil and estate law.

Team member Linnea Stuart won an

award for the top attorney and scored the highest points for the plaintiff and defense. Stuart is a home-schooled senior who also is enrolled at St. John's River State Col-

#### Studdard makes a tearful exit after 28 years serving on Clay County School Board

CLAY COUNTY - School Board member Carol Studdard said her goodbyes on Nov. 5 after serving for the past 28 years.

Beth Clark's win earlier this month brought Studdard's near-three-decade legacy that was cultivated with students and

The ehool board meeting had a light agenda. The meeting, however, was filled with memories and the tears. Most spoke fondly of Studdard. Clay County Education Association president Vicki Kidwell thanked voters for the passing of the halfcent sales tax, which will be used to fund



maintenance and another \$300 for future construction throughout the district, before speaking to Studdard's character.

#### **CCSO** wraps-up yearlong murder case with seventh arrest

KEYSTONE HEIGHTS - A random act of kindness cost a man his life, the Clay County Sheriff's Office said.

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Heights man who bought a boy a pair of shoes for his football banquet when Douglas Roe Jr. was apprehended by U.S. Marshals in Gloversville, Texas, on Nov. 12.

Arrest reports, warrants and investigators detail a gruesome tale of jealousy and depraved behavior that started when Stephen Dalton Perry Jr. was with his coworker, Stephen Sherouse on Bills Way on Nov. 21, 2019. Sherouse's neighbor, Alexsandria McNabb, asked if he had any clothes or shoes for her son to wear at a football banquet.

Perry bought the boy a pair of shoes, the arrest warrants said, which sent McNabb's boyfriend, Kalvin Roe, into a jealous rage. He organized a group that beat Perry after ordering him out of his truck.

Detectives said five men - Kalvin Roe. Doug Roe Jr., Caleb Roe, Travis Roe and Augustino Morales – beat Perry lifeless with bats, pool cues and a large wooden handle.

Detectives said Jesse Roe put Perry in the back of his truck and drove him into Putnam County where the body was dumped. Jesse Roe and McNabb were charged with accessory after the fact.



#### J.P. Hall Christmas toy drive wraps up 39th year of helping local children

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – The Bickner family waited for nearly four hours to get three bags of toys for their children.

It was time well spent.

All three children from Keystone Heights had toys under their Christmas tree. Thanks to the work of J.P. Hll Children's Charities Give the Gift of Hope, so



Santa gives J.P. Hall Children's Charities Give the Give of Hope organizer Virginia Hall a welldeserved hug follow the group's 39th successful holiday toy giveaway.

did more 1,500 other county children.

Despite having to drop their annual Christmas party for a drive-thru event as a precaution to COVID-19, organizer Virginia Hall said the event was able to expand to its 39th year after local organizations and residents stepped up with donations to keep the tradition alive.

Hall said she hopes things will be back to "normal' for the  $40^{\text{th}}$  installment at the Clay County Fairgrounds.

#### Facebook post, compassion to serve God leads to life-altering kidney donation

FLEMING ISLAND - Eddie Farhat visited the doctors six and a half years ago for what he thought was standard procedure. He learned day he had kidney disease and he'd need to be on dialysis until a new kidney was found for him.

A couple keystrokes on a social media site changed all that.

Although the average wait time on a kidney transplant, before a friendship that goes back over 30 years, Roger Higginbotham, discovered that he was a perfect match for him. Farhat's nearly seven-year search for a kidney came to an end on Aug. 25 after the donor remembered one of Farhat's Facebook posts.

Higginbotham learned in May that he

was a perfect match and surgery followed three months later.

Both patients have recovered from their surgeries.

#### **Salvation Army presses** forward despite unprecedented challenges

MIDDLEBURG – Maj. Phillip Irish slumped in his chair and stared at the calendar on his desk. The only thing listed on Nov. 18 was the word "FLOOD," and it was underlined three times.

The season that's define the Salvation Army's fundraising efforts for more than 100 years was rocked with a one-two punch of COVID-19 and a broken pipe that

flooded 75% of the building.

Despite the overwhelming challenges, Irish said the Salvation Army hasn't stopped providing services to the community. The food bank is still operational, and the annual Rescue Christmas program that includes the Red Kettle, Fill-A-Stocking and toy distribution programs weren't affected.

The toy giveaway scheduled for Dec. 14-15 proceeded as planned and all 32 Red Kettle locations were up and running.

#### Hendry retires (again) after serving the community for more than 50 years

LAKE ASBURY – Gayward Hendry's U.S. Marines dress blues still hangs in his closest. The creases are razor sharp. His Company Grade White Hat is clean and crisp. At 73, his jaw is still firm, his handshake is powerful.

So much as happened in Hendry's life, but little has changed. He still wears the same size dress blues he wore during his 20-year stint in the military. He's still not afraid to speak his mind. And when he looks you in the eye, you know it's the truth.

After spending his entire adult like serving the community in the military, law enforcement and county government, including the last four years on the Clay Board of County Commissioners, Hendry will walk away, yet stay involved.

For now, he's finding tranquility on his farm making cane syrup. There also are plans to travel and fish to be caught in the Gulf of Mexico.

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Paul said, "Forget the past." He de-

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# **COVID splits 2020 Best of Year accolades**

**By Randy Lefko**Sports Editor

FLEMING ISLAND - With the COVID pandemic erasing all high school springs sports, the remainder of the 2020 sporting world got to see a couple of top performances despite the void.

Tops on the list for 2020 accomplishments is the repeat of the 200 medley relay by the Fleming Island High School



girls relay team; Sarah and Emma Grimm, Abree Clark and Christine Johnson. All four girls got the first gold last spring and, with coach Jordan Bright commented that a repeat could happen as all four girls would return for a second year, the prophetic nature of Bright proved fruitful.

Second to a repeat state title that highlighted 2020 was a complete and massive turnaround of a storied Clay High School football program under a firestorm coach proved that the chemistry between coach and athlete is integral to success.

Kyle Kennard, long an assistant defensive coach in Clay County with Oakleaf and Fleming Island, and most recently Clay High, took a swirling 1-9 finish of 2019 to a 10-2 third round playoff finish in 2020 in a flash of change and inspiration that many coaches should emulate.

Orange Park got a sterling performance by senior former team manager Deandre Robinson.



Fleming Island High's girls cross country team ran in pack-form with senior Emma Millson to a district and region title and a sixth place state finish. Millson, in center, roared back from a season-ending injury in 2019 to be top finisher the entire finisher for the Lady Golden Eagles.

Kennard's edict to his team, accoring to senior linebacker Tristan Keith in a late season interview, was that "we will win." Pretty simple.

And win they did, in exciting fashion with a near 40 points scoring average with a senior quarterback and a powerhouse running back behind a fairly young offensive line. On the defensive side, swarm was the work in a controlle chaos kind of strategy that relied on 11 guys chasing down the opposing football

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Former Orange Park High defensive end Kendy Charles blasts through warmups for Liberty University in Flames thrilling overtime win over Coastal Carolina in the CURE Bowl in Orlando on Saturday.

# Liberty wins CURE Bowl via blocked kick

Kendy Charles reflects on freshman football transition

By Randy Lefko Sports Editor

ORLANDO – The No. 23 Liberty Flames won their second-consecutive FBC Mortgage Cure Bowl, in thrilling fashion by blocking a 42-yard field goal in the first overtime against No. 9 Coastal Carolina to secure a 37-34 victory on Saturday at Camping World Stadium, in a press release from Nate Blythe, Director of Communications for the Orlando Sports Foundation.

Liberty junior quarterback Malik Willis

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## **Best**

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and playing as close to mistake free as possible.

One of the more remarkable preseason to season transitions came at number three with the Fleming Island High cross country girls program taking huge steps over the summer of COVID to be as ready as possible for whatever the fall season, improbable at first, offered.

With summer running the staple of any quality cross country program, Fleming Island, under the direction of Suzanne Baker, Dave Allen, Lisa Adams and Chris Otero with input from master's champion runner Shelly Allen and a willing host of ex-college runners and former teammates, took control of their own destiny with a summer plan that defied the house-arrest restrictions of the COVID pandemic.

Readiness was at a paramount for the girls who stormed to district and region titles and a sixth place Class 4A finish behind the courageous return of senior Emma Millson, who was out for most of her junior season with an injury, and a front four quartet of teammates; Millson, Grace Adams, Marisa Kortright and Mei Chiang, that put the Golden Eagles in the front pack of many races. Millson, Kortright and Adams will graduate leaving Chiang as the top frontrunner next season.

In the end, Baker's strategic building of depth from the number five runner back proved effective as freshman Allie Knotts' made steady improvement late in the season to bring home the two post season titles.

At state, Fleming Island was within four points of a fourth place finish with Timber Creek and Mandarin tied at 162 and Fleming Island at 166 emphasizing the purity of the team sport of cross country and the importance of that fifth scoring point. Fleming Island beat Mandarin for the region title by just nine points and Fleming Island won the district title by 14 points over former 3A powerhouse Creekside.

In college cross country, Ridgeview High graduate Joel Nesi, now at Flagler College, took eighth at the Peach Belt Conference championships to earn All-Conference honors. Cross country cancelled all national tournaments from COVID.

In one of the more stunning football season performances of 2020, Orange Park High coach Tom Macpherson gave a former team manager, a senior, a helmet and uniform because both saw some desire behind the eyes of senior Deandre Robinson.

Robinson simply asked Macpherson if he could still sign up to play as he stocked helmets and took stats and Macpherson obviously saw something and got him on the team

Robinson, just a 155 pound running back, answered the call numerous times with slashing runs on offense, but blew his season highlight reel up with a 90 yard kickoff return in the Raiders' playoff game against Pedro Menendez.

For Clay High senior swimmer Sara



Clay High football's turnaround was one of the biggest stories of 2020 with new coach Kyle Kennard exciting the Blue Devil fanbase (and homecoming queen in background) with an exciting 2020 season.

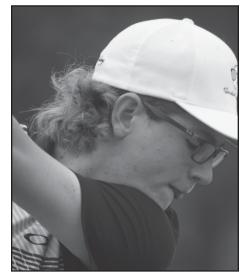


Fleming Island golfer Andrew Davis was the steady hand in the Golden Eagles first-ever state golf finish.



Keystone Heights High senior Sloane Seibert approaches the 18th hole in a torrential downpour as the Lady Indians fought the weather, one of the toughest courses in Florida and eeked out a bad to their second straight team bid to the state championship tournament.

Stotler, 2020 became a season of re-establishing her prowess on the national scene while taking home gold at the state championships. Stotler, a gold medalist in her sophomore season, doubled up with silver as a junior, then roared back as a senior with summer long restrictions as to her training and national competitions to tap



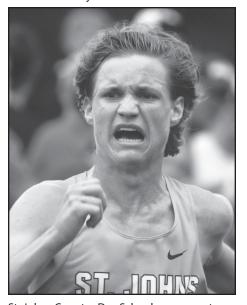
Middleburg High sophomore Chase Carroll was on-point for a district and region title and flurry at the state championship that fell short as the championship pedigree of brother Cody Carroll carried the family name at championship golf.

out her final year in the storied Blue Devil swim program. Stotler crushed records and won gold in her strong suit, the 100 butterfly.

Stotler, humbly one of the finest teammates as a Blue Devil despite her national aspirations, used the camaraderie of being a Blue Devil to put points on the board



Clay High senior swimmer Sara Stotler answered back from two second place finishes in 2019 with a record-breaking gold medal in the 100 butterfly in 2020.



St. Johns Country Day School cross country ace Matthew Stratton was two of three in dominating post season races; a district title, a region title and third at state.



Ridgeview High volleyball dynamo Elaina Reynolds was a human highlight film on the court for coach Destiny Brightman who kept her district title winning streak alive with a sixth straight trophy.

for her team in post season action before heading to the University of Tennessee next fall.

Another football guy that quietly exuded excellence was Oakleaf High senior wide receiver Terrance Anthony, who, with 56 catches and 11 scores, was a highlight reel anytime he touched the football. Anthony,



Led by senior libero Ashlyn Halford, in white, fiery backline defensive stands, Ridgeview was the story of 2020 with a sixth straight district title for coach Destiny Brightman.



Oakleaf High senior wide receiver Terrance Anthony was the high standard of excellence for the Knights and for Clay County football with his acrobatic pass catches and his elusive after-the-catch breakout runs.

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atmosphere of lifting after a somewhat disappointing 10th place finish last year in Class 2A. Briley took the 10th place finish at 119; dropped to 110 in fall 2020, and has hinted that state records could be made with a state title run in the spring 2021 state meet run. Along with Briley's state meet run, in spring 2020, Clay High's Lindsey Brooks continued a tradition of dominance under coach Rodney Keller with a state title at 199 last year after dominating throughout the season. Brooks has been in the weightroom as a coach with Keller as they look to put another poster on the Clay weightroom wall.

In volleyball, Ridgeview High coach Destiny Brightman took down her sixth district title: four in 5A: now two in 6A: with powers Middleburg and Stanton Prep, in a defiance of opinions that said her initial district titles were in soft districts. Brightman's Achilles Heel is her second round game; historically against a Final Four finisher or state champion; Bishop Kenny and Ponte Vedra.

In wrestling, Fleming Island High got a

state title from Chad Nix in a run of the season of first quarter pins. Nix, who lost just one match; to a Georgia state champion, ran the table with ease from that moment on to take no prisoners in a scorched Earth finish to the state title. Nix is now at Campbell University.

Also in college wrestling, Fleming Island High former state champion Paul Detwiler, now a junior at Coast Guard Academy, earned a top ranking in NCAA Div.III wrestling after a second place, All-American finish last year at 184 pounds, in a season that saw wrestlers nationwide unable to compete in a national tournament due to CO-VID. Detwiler was second ranked nationally last year just before the national tournament. In golf, three highlights; Middleburg High sophomore Chase Carroll winning district and region titles to get to state for a second season,

Fleming Island's Andrew Davis with big state meet rounds to put the Golden Eagles fifth in Class 3A in first visit to state tournament and Keystone Heights' senior Camille Jackson, who pushed her Indians' teammates in a rain-drenched region run, to a second trip to the Class 1A tournament.

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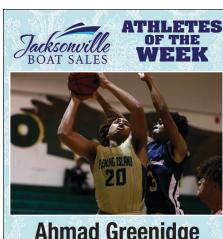
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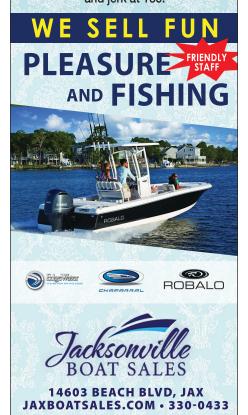
#### Ahmad Greenidge Fleming Island, Basketball, Jr.

Ahmad Greenidge dominated the boards and scoring for Fleming Island in the championship win over Potter's House in the Battle on the Island Christmas Tournament held at Fleming Island. Fleming Island won 59-40. Greenidge had 15 points; was five of seven at the free throw line and had eight rebounds.



#### Janiyah Stevens Clay, Weightlifting, Sophomore

Janiyah Stevens dominated her 154 pound weight class at the Power of Christmas girls weightlifting tournament held at Suwannee High School last week with a 345 total with 300 second place. Stevens crushed the bench press with a 160 effort then overwhelmed the clean and jerk at 185.



# Kendy

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tions for the Orlando Sports Foundation.

Liberty junior quarterback Malik Willis rushed for a bowl-record four touchdowns and 150 yards to earn Most Valuable Player accolades

"It's just a big blessing," Willis said about the victory. "I'm really happy, really excited. I was just trying to take what they would give me using my God-given abilities, moving the sticks."

This was Liberty's (10-1) second-ever bowl game victory, which includes topping Georgia Southern, 23-16, in the 2019 FBC Mortgage Cure Bowl. The Flames now hold an 8-7 lead in the all-time series against the Chanticleers and join Appalachian State as the only teams transitioning from FCS to FBS ever to win bowl games in their first two seasons of eligibility.

"What a year. It is one of the more memorable years that I have had in coaching," Liberty Head Coach Hugh Freeze said. "I really can't wait to reflect. Obviously, there were a lot of obstacles that our program had to handle along with the many others that played college football. "We had a tremendous year, and what a way to end it. Heck of a game tonight, and I'm thankful that our kids found a way to win it."

Coastal Carolina (11-1) made its inaugural appearance in a bowl game after finishing its transition from FCS to FBS in 2017. The Chanticleers registered their first national ranking and rose up all the way up to No. 12.

For the Liberty Flames, true freshman Kendy Charles, a defensive lineman out of Orange Park High School, reflected on his transition from being an All-State defensive player for coach Tom Macpherson's Raiders to being one of the smallest defensive linemen on the Flames' defensive squad.

"I'm excited about this game being my first big game on the field," said Charles. "We never had a game this big at Orange Park and it will be quite an experience."

Charles said his introduction to big time college football was a bit daunting.

"I'm not going to lie, I was very nervous," said Charles, who is studying business at Liberty. "The coaching staff made the transition smooth."

Charles, who dominated the line of scrimmage while at Orange Park, gave credit to both Macpherson for his preparation and the coaching staff at Liberty for getting him up to speed for college football.

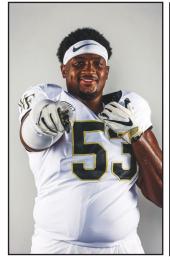
"You really have to trust the process," said Charles. "Coach Macpherson used a lot of the same terminology as the college coaches and some of the plays at Liberty were similar to back at Orange Park."

Charles, a 6'-3", 260 pound product going in, found out quickly that his size and power at the high school level was spread throughout the entire lineup at the college level.

"I am the smallest D-Lineman we got," said Charles. "Most of the linemen are like 6'-4", 300 pounds, but I'm settling in with my heart and strength. Now, I feel normal



Liberty University quarterback Maliek Willis was the game's leading offensive weapon as he scored four times to lead Flames to dramatic overtime win in Orlando's CURE Bowl over Coastal Carolina.





Two Clay County players; Oakleaf High's Je'Vionte Nash, above, and Fleming Island's Ryan Smenda will be on the field Wednesday in Charlotte at the Duke's Mayo Bowl for Wake Forest University who plays Wisconsin. Nash is an offensive lineman; Smenda a linebacker.

out there.

Charles "moment" of clarity came during one-on-one drills when he had some success rushing against a Liberty behemoth.

"I figured if I could get past the biggest guy on the team, then I could play at this level," said Charles. "That day in practice really boosted my confidence."

Charles gave credit to teammate Javon Scruggs, a junior safety out of Virginia.

"He is always helping the young guys out," said Charles. "I don't think he knows that he is a good influence because he is just a great teammate all around."

For the 2020 season, Charles got his first tackle in the third game of the season; a 28-7 win over North Alabama.

"I was nervous, but I kind of knew after we had good drives on them that I might have a chance to get in," said Charles. "I kept thinking, whatever I do, don't get rolled. When I made that first tackle, I thought, 'I just made my first college tackle.""

Charles noted that his debut tackle was not worth much fanfare, but his first tackle for loss; against Western Carolina; a 58-14 blowout in game eight, Charles got his first tackle for loss; a three yard negative play for the Flames' defense.

"That was the play that the guys made a

big deal about and my coach reminded me that that was my first TFL," said Charles. "It was an enjoyable moment. That one brought joy to my heart. Now, I'm waiting for my first solo sack."

One part of Charles' game that he has strived to improve is get beyond his ability to dominate offensive linemen.

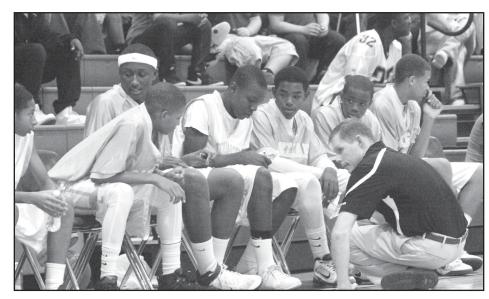
"When I saw the size of the guys, that was impressive, but everyone here is strong," said Charles. "I had to really work on my technique and use my speed to make my moves. One thing I can pass on to high school guys heading to college is that no matter what you did in high school, it doesn't matter. At the college, everything is bigger, faster, stronger."

For Coastal Carolina, the game was a chance to see the type of team that two Oakleaf High School football athletes; wide receiver Terrance Anthony and linebacker Marcus Anthony, who recently signed to play at Coast Carolina next year.

In the game against Coastal Carolina, Charles was suited, but did not play.

"I want to bring my mom and dad up here; Marie and Jean and my sister to watch me when I get my first start," said Charles. "That will be a special game." Nathan Blythe, CUREBOWL.com Communications Director, contributed to this report.

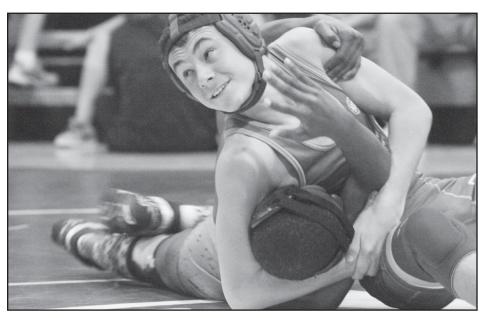
Former Lakeside Gator Hannah McGrory gets set to launch for three. McGrory starred for Fleming Island High, then Barton College.



Orange Park High assistant basketball coach John Conley, on floor, was mastermind of the Oakleaf Junior High hoops team that had the likes of two-time Clay Today Player of Year Jonathan Bryant, with white T-Shirt, and NBA star Nassir Little.



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Lakeside Junior High wrestler Devin Marquis holds tight on headlock pin combination for Gator wrestling. Marquis was top lacrosse player at Fleming Island High afterward.





Left: Oakleaf Junior High soccer ace Kara Marchetti reacts after scoring gamewinner for county title.

RIght: One of the biggest cannons on the field belong to Fleming Island's Lexi Martorana who blasted her team to a Final Four finish.



St. Johns Country Day School got big mileage and points from center Adam Wickes as the Spartan hoops team had a strong run in 2012.

#### A look back in photos with correspondent Noah Wyatt







Middleburg High school student photographer Noah Wyatt has emerged as a top sports photographer in the county with pics from Orange Park High, top left; cross country runner Emma Mussante, left; and the Bronco cheerleaders, above. Below, Wyatt spies a Middleburg basketball moment.



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-Keesha Sharp

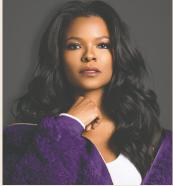


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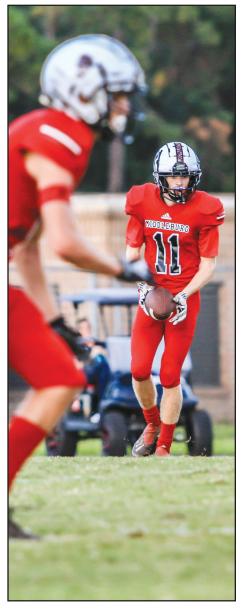


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Middleburg High student photographer Noah Wyatt kept busy for football season with Ridgeview quarterback Max Monroe getting a toss out, punter Jared Burt with a safety free kick and fullback Logan Padgett rumbling.





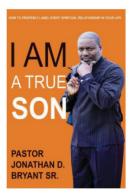
## Jonathan Devon Bryant, Sr.

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In this book Jonathan Devon Bryant, Sr. shares practical examples and biblical insight on labeling the Christians relationships in one's life the correct way. Jonathan has masterfully woven Biblical truths and personal experience together in a way that will encourage and educate any Christian who reads this book.

*Middleburg, Florida*, December 23, 2020, Every once in a while, a book is published that has the ability to inspire its readers and ignite the "Spark of The Lord" to touch one's very soul. Such a book can change lives, as has the book recently published by Pastor Jonathan Devon Bryant, Sr. In "I Am A True Son", the Pastor shows that he is not only a master wordsmith, but also the Lord's Messenger.

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This book is very timely as the world witnesses an unprecedented assault on Christianity. The <u>Christmas spirit</u> brings out the best in most people, but then they go back to their old ways. "I Am A True Son" hits home in such a way as its message cannot be forgotten. Families that pray together stay together. God loving families see their children grow to become successful as they live their lives with Christ Jesus in their hearts.

During a recent interview, Pastor Bryant made these comments, "The terms spiritual fathers and spiritual sons are grounded in scripture. Paul referred to both Timothy and Titus as his "spiritual" sons (2 Timothy 1:2, Titus 1:4). Paul also spoke in the spiritual sense of having fathers in the faith (1 Corinthians

4:15, Philippians 2:19-22). We will examine other scriptures throughout this book and shine some knowledge on how to label Christian's relationship in your life biblically and correctly. Spiritual fathers enjoy spending time with their sons not out of obligation, but because they are truly family."

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Jaguars win in loss; get No. 1 draft pick next year

Former Oakleaf High linebacker Shaquille Quarterman sprints on punt coverage for Jacksonville Jaguars in loss to Chicago Bears on Sunday. Quarterman is a rookie on the

By Randy Lefko

Sports Editor

JACKSONVILLE - By way of a 41-16 loss to the Chicago Bears and a 23-16 win by the New York Jets over the Cleveland Browns, the Jacksonville Jaguars football team came out winners, sort of, by securing the top draft choice in the upcoming draft.

The New York Jets (2-13) made the route a bit smoother for the Jaguars to the top draft choice with two wins; one an upset of the Los Angeles Rams, the second the win Sunday over Cleveland, while the Jaguars (1-14) failed to get their second win of the season to be dubbed the worst team in the NFL. Although the two teams could theoretically tie after the season finales; with the Jets losing to New England and Jacksonville pulling out a win over Indianapolis, the Jaguars would still be worst in NFL because of a weaker schedule.

Pundits are already setting up Clemson quarterback Trevor Lawrence as the top choice out of college and that would give the Jaguars yet another quarterback to choose from in their carousel of players; Minshew, Luton, Glennon, Foles, yadayadayada.

How about a hard charging running back with an inate ability to find the end zone; Alabama's Najee Harris? Harris has run for 1262 yards for the number one ranked Alabama with 24 touchdowns and a 5.9 yards per carry average; with many broken first contact runs.

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Clue: Parts of plants

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#### **Legal Notice**

#### **Public Notice** Clay County School Board The Clay County School Board will hold its Regular monthly meeting on

hold its Regular monthly meeting on Thursday, January 7, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. in the Teacher Inservice Center located at Fleming Island High School, 2233 Village Square Parkway, Fleming Island, Florida 32003. The meeting is open to the public and all interested persons are invited to attend. Any person requiring special accommodations to attend or participate in public meetings should advise the School District at least 48 hours before the meeting by least 48 hours before the meeting by least 48 hours before the meeting by contacting the Superintendent's Office at (904) 336-6508. If you are hearing or speech impaired, you may contact the District by email addressed to bonnie.onora @myoneclay.net or by calling (904) 336-6584 TDD). Copies of the proposed agenda will be available online at www.oneclay.net or by online at <u>www.oneclay.net</u> 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 47153 published Dec 31, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper. Cove Springs, FL 32043. If a person

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State law, there being due and
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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

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Any questions regarding the above information are to be addressed to the manager of this facility at the

phone number shown above. Legal 47149 published Dec 31, 2020 and Jan 7, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

# PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned intends to sell the personal property described below to enforce a lien imposed on said property under The Florida Self Storage Facility Act Statutes (Section 83.801 - 83.809). The undersigned will sell by competitive bidding at lockerfox.com on Tuesday the 19th day of January, 2021 at 12:00 PM. Said property is SecurCare Self day of January, 2021 at 12:00 PM. Said property is SecurCare Self Storage, 3585 US Highway 17, Fleming Island, FL, 32003 Clay County Amanda Rogers E002 Cash Register, Tools, TV. All purchased items are sold as is, where is, and must be removed within 48 hours of the sale. A refundable \$100 cash deposit for each unit won is required. All purchases must be paid in cash. Sale subject to cancellation in the event of settlement between owner and obligated party.

owner and obligated party.

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#### NOTICE OF ACTION

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

DIVISION CASE NO. 2020CA000608

SPECIALIZED LOAN SERVICING Plaintiff,

JOSE A DELACRUZ A/K/A JOSE A.

#### **Legal Notice**

DE LA CRUZ, et al.

To:
JOSE A DELACRUZ A/K/A JOSE A.
DE LA CRUZ
2383 STONEY GLEN DRIVE,
FLEMING ISLAND, FL 32003
UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JOSE A.
DELACRUZ A/K/A JOSE A. DE LA

CRUZ 2383 STONEY GLEN DRIVE, FLEMING ISLAND, FL 32003

LAST KNOWN ADDRESS STATED, CURRENT RESIDENCE UNKNOWN

UNKNOWN
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action
to foreclose Mortgage covering the
following real and personal property
described as follows, to-wit:
LOT 5, BLOCK 3 OF HERITAGE
FARMS UNIT 1, ACCORDING TO
THE PLAT THEREOF AS
RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 13,
PAGE(S) 49-53, OF THE PUBLIC
RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY,
FLORIDA FLORIDA

FLORIDA 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 Street, Suite 155, Orlando, FL 32801 and file the original with Clerk of the above-styled Court on or before thirty (30) days from the first publication, otherwise a Judgment may be entered against you for the may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.
WITNESS my hand and seal of said Court this 17th day of December,

(seal)
Tara S. Green
As Clerk of the Court
By: Taylor Tison
Deputy Clerk
Legal 47151 published Dec 24 and
Dec 31, 2020 in Clay County's Clay
Today newspaper 6678062

#### NOTICE OF ACTION FOR DISSOLUTION

OF MARRIAGE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
OF THE FOURTH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND
FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA Case No. 2020-DR-002111 Division: F

IN RE THE MARRIAGE OF: MICHAEL A. GUNNING

and
CINDY ANN ROTONDI-GUNNINGFURNELL,

Wife. TO: Cindy Ann Rotondi-Gunning-

Furnell 130 Eastern Ave., Apt 315

130 Eastern Ave., Apt 315
Lynn, Massachusetts 01902-1302
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action
has been filed against you and that
you are required to serve a copy of
your written defenses, if any, to it on:
L.J. Arnold III, whose address is PO
Box 1570, 718 North Orange Avenue,
Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043
on or before January 29th, 2021, and
file the original with the clerk of this
Court at Clay County Courthouse, 825 Court at Clay County Courthouse, 825 North Orange Avenue, PO Box 698, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043 before service on Husband or immediately thereafter. If you fail to

immediately thereafter. If you fail to do so, a default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the petition.

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

You must keep the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office notified of your current address. (You may file

current address. (You may file Designation of Current Mailing and Besignation of Current Mailing and E-Mail Address, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.915.) Future papers in this lawsuit will be mailed or e-mailed to the addresses on record at the clerk's

office.

WARNING: Rule 12.285, Florida
Family Law Rules of Procedure,
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disclosure of documents and



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#### **Legal Notice**

information. Failure to comply can result in sanctions, includi dismissal or striking of pleadings. including Dated: December 15, 2020

Tara S. Gr CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

By: Kayla R Beard,
Deputy Clerk
Legal 47142 published Dec 24, Dec
31, 2020 and Jan 7, Jan 14, 2021 in
Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

#### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File No.: 2020-CP-000572 IN THE

#### ESTATE OF LUTHER LELAND FRANKLIN

The administration of the Estate of The administration of the Estate of LUTHER LELAND FRANKLIN, deceased, whose date of death was July 31, 2020, is pending in the Circuit Court for Clay County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043. The names and addresses of the personal representative's attorney

personal representative's attorney are set forth below.
All creditors of the decedent and 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 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.

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and other persons having claims or 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.
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NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME

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

The date of first publication of this notice is December 24, 2020. Attorney for Personal Representative: Roger W. Cruce, Esq. Florida Bar No.: 695661

1409 Kingsley Ave., Ste 1-B Orange Park, FL 32073 Telephone: (904) 375-9522 Fax: (904) 579-3082 E-Mail: rcruce@rwcrucelaw.com

Personal Representative: Diane L. Ray 879 Johns Ave Orange Park, FL 32065 Legal 47143 published Dec 24 and Dec 31, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper. Legal Notice

#### NOTICE OF ACTION

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

Case No.: 2020-CA-000131

JOY R. DAVIS. Plaintiff.

VIOLET BROKOS and ROBERT

To: VIOLET BROKOS
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for foreclosure of the property 6520 Wolverine Lane, Keystone Heights, Florida 32656 in Clay County, Florida, has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Patrick Douglas, Plaintiffs attorney, whose address is 177 NW Madison Street, Lake City, Florida 32055, 30 days from the first date of publication of this Notice of Action, and file the original with the clerk of this court either before service on Plaintiffs attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief and you are required to serve a copy be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint or

petition. DATED: Dec 15, 2020

Tara S Green

As Clerk of the Court
Kayla R Beard
As Deputy Clerk
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Today newspaper

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owner and /or manager's lien of the
goods hereinafter described and
stored at the Life Storage location(s)
listed below listed below.

listed below.

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And, due notice having been given, to 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 Monday - January 25, 2021 @ 10:00 AM Legal 47139 published Dec 31, 2020

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Legal Notice

#### SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF ACTION **BY PUBLICATION**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY FLORIDA CASE NUMBER: 10-2019-DP-000130 DIVISION: JV-F

IN THE INTEREST OF:

C.B. K.O. A CHILD THE STATE OF FLORIDA

TO:
Father of C.B. Kenneth Bowditch
Father K.O. is Julian Overman
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 children, C.B., who was born on December 5, 2008 and K.O. who was born on February 10, 2015. You are hereby commanded to appear before the Honorable Steven B. Whittington, the Clay County Courthouse, Juvenile Dependency Courtroom, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs. DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida at the hour of 2:00 p.m. o'clock on January 26, 2021, A.D. You o'clock on January 26, 2021, A.D. You must appear at the hearing on the date and time specified. If the courthouse is still closed, you must appear at this court hearing via zoom. Join Zoom Meeting through the app https://zoom.us/j/2988523044, Meeting ID: 298 852 3044
FAILURE TO PERSONALLY APPEAR AT THIS ADVISORY HEARING CONSTITUTES CONSENT TO THE TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THESE

OF PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THESE CHILDREN. IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR ON THE DATE AND TIME SPECIFIED YOU MAY LOSE ALL
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CHILDREN NAMED IN THE
PETITION ATTACHED TO THIS

PETITION ATTACHED TO THIS NOTICE.

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711. WITNESS my hand as clerk of said Court and the Seal thereof, this 16th day of December, 2020.

TARA S. GREEN as Clerk of Said Court By: Denise Haselwood

As Deputy Clerk Legal 47144 published Dec 24, Dec 31, 2020, and Jan 7, Jan 14, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today

#### Legal Notice

**Public Notice** 

Clay County School Board
The Clay County School Board will hold a Workshop on Tuesday,
January 12th, 2021, at 2:00 p.m., in the District Multi-Purpose Center located at the corner of Walnut Street and Gratio Place in Green Cours Springs Florida 32043 for the Street and Gratio Place in Green Cove Springs, Florida, 32043, for the purpose of reviewing information relative to potential boundary realignments. The meeting is open to the public and all interested parties are invited to attend. Any person requiring special accommodations to attend or participate in public meetings should advise the School District at least 48 hours before the meeting by contacting the meeting by contacting the Superintendent's Office at (904) 336-6508. If you are hearing or speech impaired, you may contact the District by email addressed to bonnie.onora@myoneclay.net or by calling (904) 336-6584 (TDD). Copies of the proposed agenda will be calling (904) 336-6584 (TDD). Copies of the proposed agenda will be available online at www.oneclay.net or by contacting the Superintendent's Office, 900 Walnut Street, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043. If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at the meeting, he or she will need a record of the or she will need a record of the proceedings, and, for such purpose, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatin record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the anneal is to be based

the appear is to be based. Legal 47154 published Dec 31, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

#### PUBLIC SALE

We Stor of Middleburg, LLC will conduct a public sale to the highest bidder on their premises at 4404 County Road 218, Middleburg, FL 32068, in enforcement of Florida Statutes section 83.806 on Friday, January 15, 2021 at 5:30pm on the January 15, 2021 at 5:30pm on the following units: The company reserves the right to reject any bid and withdraw any items from the sale. All units contain household goods unless otherwise noted: Clayton Allen, Brian Blanton, Angelina Deriggi & Daron Zapata, Jacob Griffin, Daniel Groat, Justin Hudnall, Rebekah Ludwig, Frank Morabito, Anastasia Nolan, Wende Peters, Christopher Reeves, Brandie Senters, Rachael Simmons Senters, Rachael Simmons

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#### NOTICE OF

PUBLIC SALE
BURGART ENTERPRISES gives
Notice of Lien and intent to self these vehicles on 01/15/2021, 12:00 these vehicles on 01/15/2021, 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. 1FAFP56U15A287286 2005 FORD Legal 47189 publish Dec 31, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

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PUBLIC NOTICE
OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned intends to sell the personal property described below to enforce a lien imposed on said property under The Florida Self Storage Facility Act Statutes (Section 83.801 - 83.809). The undersigned will sell by competitive bidding at lockerfox.com on Tuesday the 19th day of January, 2021 at 12:00 PM. Said property is SecurCare Self Storage, 2000 Walls Pagada. Said property is SecurCare Sel Storage, 2000 Wells Road A, Orange Storage, 2000 Wells Road A, Orange Park, FL, 32073 Clay County Fucci Dawn 101 trunk, guitar, mirror Stidham, Britany 503 jack, weed eater, baby items . All purchased items are sold as is, where is, and



Have you registered your name with the state and need to run a fictitious name advertisement?

It is a very easy process. Email Christie at christie@opcfla.com or call 904-579-2153 to request the necessary form. It will run in our egal section for one week for \$35 Affidavit will be mailed to you

#### **Legal Notice**

nust be removed within 48 hours of must be removed within 48 hours of the sale. A refundable \$100 cash deposit for each unit won is required. All purchases must be paid in cash. Sale subject to cancellation in the event of settlement between

owner and obligated party. Legal 47178 published Dec 31, 2020 and Jan 7, 2021 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

#### Akers Transport

Located at 1320 Chason Rd, in the County of CLAY, in the City of Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Division of Corporations Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida.

Dated at Green Cove Springs, Florida on the 28th day of December, 2020.

Owner's name/corporation:

Owner's name of the John Akers
Legal 47191 published December 31,
2020 in Clay County's Clay Today

#### NOTICE OF **PUBLIC HEARING**

The Board of County Commissioners of Clay County, Florida, will hold a public hearing Tuesday, January 12, public hearing Tuesday, January 12, 2021, at 5:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as can be heard, in the Board of County Commissioners Meeting Room on the Fourth Floor of the Clay County Administration Building, 477 Houston Street, Green Cove Springs, Florida, to consider the adoption of an ordinance bearing the following title:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING TABLE 1 OF THE CLAY COUNTY FIVE YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

PROGRAM; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
All interested persons are invited to attend the public hearing and be heard by the Board on matters pertaining to the ordinance. Pursuant to Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes, a person deciding to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at respect to any matter considered at respect to any matter considered at the meeting or at any subsequent meeting to which the Board has continued its deliberations is advised that such person will need a record of all proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbatim record of all proceedings is made, which must include the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. A copy of the proposed ordinance may be inspected by members of the public at the County Commission Offices,

proposed ordinance may be inspected by members of the public at the County Commission Offices, Fourth Floor of the Clay County Administration Building, 477 Houston Street, Green Cove Springs, Florida, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, with the exception of legal holidays. In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, any person needing a special accommodation to participate in this matter should contact the Clay County ADA Coordinator by mail at Post Office Box 1366, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043, or by telephone at number (904) 269-6376, no later than three (3) days prior to the hearing or proceeding for which this notice has been given. Hearing impaired persons can access the foregoing telephone number by contacting the Florida Relay Service at 1-800-955-8771 (TDD). Board of County Commissioners Clay County, Florida

Board of County Commissioners Clay County, Florida

Legal 47186 published Dec 31, 2020 Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

#### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION FILE #2020-CP-000555

Judge Don Lester IN RE: The Estate of JESS VASQUEZ, Deceased.
The administration of the estate of JESS VASQUEZ, deceased, whose

JESS VASQUEZ, deceased, whose date of death was 01/05/2020, is bending in the Circuit Court for Clay Co., FL, Probate Div., the address of which is 825 N. Orange Ave., Green Cove Springs, FL 32043. The names

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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 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. THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

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 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

MORE AFTER THE DECEDEN'
DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.
The date of first publication of the notice is 12/24/2020.
Attorney for Personal
Representative:
/s/ Matthew D. Branz
MATTHEW D. BRANZ, ESQUIRE
FRN: 657514

FBN: 657514 PAUL, ELKIND, BRANZ & PAUL, 142 E. New York Ave..

142 E. New York Ave.,
DeLand, FL 32724
386.734.3020 / F 386.734.3096
E-Mail: mbranz@paulandelkind.com
Personal Representative:
/s/ Paul Vasquez
Paul Vasquez
335 W. Minnesota Ave.
DeLand, FL 32720
Legal 47176 published Dec 24 and
Dec 31, 2021 in Clay County's Clay
Today newspaper

Today newspaper

#### FICTITIOUS NAME

Notice Under Fictitious Nat Pursuant to Section 865.09, Florida

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name

#### REESIE'S SWEETS

Located at 704 CHESTWOOD CHASE DR in the County of CLAY, in the City of ORANGE PARK, FLORIDA 32065-2573 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Flo Department of State, Tallaha Florida.

Dated at ORANGE PARK, Florida, this 23RD day of December, 2020.

Owner/corp: **REESIE'S SWEETS** 

Legal 47188 published Dec 31, 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.: 2020-CA-000680
DIRECT GENERAL INSURANCE

Plaintiff,

.. CARY BUTLER.

Defendant. TO: CARY BUTLER, address

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for declaratory relief has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Plaintiff, DIRECT GENERAL INSURANCE COMPANY, through its counsel Robert K. Savage, Esq., whose address is 412 East Madison Street, Suite 815, Tampa, FL 33602 no later than 28 days after the first publication of this Notice, and file with the clerk of this court, Tara S. Green, whose address is 825 N. Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043, before service on Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043, before service on Plaintiff, or immediately thereafter. If you fail to do so, a default may be entered against for the relief demanded in the declaratory judgment action.

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

You must keep the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office notified of your current address, Future papers in this lawsuit will be mailed to the address on record at the Clerk's

on the following dates in the Board Room at the Clay County Utility Authority, 3176 Old Jennings Road, Middleburg, Florida. 2021 Board of Supervisors Meetings

The Board of Supervisors of the Clay County Utility Authority will meet at 2:00 P.M. in Regular Session

#### April January Tuesday, January 5 Tuesday, January 19 Tuesday, February 2 Tuesday, March 2 Tuesday, March 16 Tuesday, April 6 Tuesday, April 20 Tuesday, February 16 May Tuesday, May 4 August Tuesday, August 3 Tuesday, August 17 June July Tuesday, July 6 Tuesday, June 1 Tuesday, May 18 Tuesday, June 15 October Tuesday, July 20 November September December Tuesday, October 5 Tuesday, December 7 Tuesday, September 7 Tuesday, November 2

Tuesday, September 21 Tuesday, October 19 Tuesday, November 16 Tuesday, December 21 The Audit/Finance and/or the Personnel Committee of the Clay County Utility Authority will meet at 1:00 P.M. in the Conference Room at the same location on the dates stated above on an as needed basis. In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, any person needing a special accommodation to participate in this matter, should contact the Clay County Utility Authority by mail at 3176 Old Jennings Road, Middleburg, Florida 32068 or by telephone at (904) 213-2464, no later than 7 days prior to the hearing or proceeding for which this notice has been given. Persons requiring auditory assistance may access the foregoing telephone number by contacting the Florida Relay Service at 1-800-955-8770 (Voice) or 1-800-955-8771 (TDD)

If any person intends to appeal any decision related to this action, such person will need to provide a court reporter at such person's own expense, for a transcript of the proceedings. All interested persons are invited to attend.

For further information, call (904) 213-2464.

Legal 47096 published Dec 31, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

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office Dated: Dec 18, 2020

(seal)
TARA S. GREEN
Clerk of the Court & Comptroller
By: Rebecca Crews
As Deputy Clerk
Legal 47159 published Dec 24, Dec
31, 2020 and Jan 7, Jan 14, 2021 in
Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

#### NOTICE OF ACTION

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

CASE NO.: 2020CA000177
DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL
TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE,
ON BEHALF OF THE HOLDERS OF
THE IMPAC SECURED ASSETS
C O R P, M O R T G A G E
PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES
SERIES 2006.4 SERIES 2006-4. Plaintiff.

vs.

MARK J. PEDRICK; UNKNOWN
SPOUSE OF MARK J. PEDRICK;
MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC
REGISTRATION SYSTEMS INC.
(MIN# 100024200014444943);
UNKNOWN TENANT(S) IN
POSSESSION #1 and #2, et. al.
Defendant(s) Defendant(s)

#### MARK J. PEDRICK

(Current Residence Unknown) (Last Known Address(es)) 427 LUCYS LANE ORANGE PARK, FL 32003 4628 HEDGEHOG ST MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068

MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068
ALL OTHER UNKNOWN PARTIES,
INCLUDING, IF A NAMED
DEFENDANT IS DECEASED, THE
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES,
THE SERVING SPOUSE, HEIRS,
DEVISEES, GRANTEES,
CREDITORS, AND ALL OTHER
PARTIES CLAIMING, BY,
THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST
THAT DEFENDANT AND ALL THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST
THAT DEFENDANT, AND ALL
CLAIMANTS, PERSONS OR
PARTIES, NATURAL OR
CORPORATE, OR WHOSE EXACT
LEGAL STATUS IS UNKNOWN,
CLAIMING UNDER ANY OF THE
ABOVE NAMED OR DESCRIBED
DEFENDANTS
(Last Known Address)
427 LUCYS LANE
FLEMING ISLAND, FL 32003

427 LUCYS LANE
FLEMING ISLAND, FL 32003
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action
for Foreclosure of Mortgage on the
following described property:
LOT 7, RAGGEDY POINT, UNIT 2,
ACCORDING TO THE PLAT
THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN
PLAT BOOK 15, PAGES 36, OF THE
PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY
COUNTY, FLORIDA.
A/K/A: 427 LUCYS LANE, FLEMING
ISLAND, FL 32003.

ISLAND, FL 32003.

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it, on Brian L. Rosaler, Esquire, POPKIN & ROSALER, P.A., 1701 West Hillsboro Boulevard, Suite 400, Deerfield Beach, FL 33442, Attorney for Plaintiff, 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 Plaintiffs attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded against you for the relief demanded

in the complaint.

against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

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 CRTINTRP@COJ.NET OR (904) 255-1695 AT LEAST 7 DAYS BEFORE YOUR SCHEDULED COURT APPEARANCE, OR IMMEDIATELY UPON RECEIVING THIS NOTIFICATION IF THE TIME 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

#### **Legal Notice**

this Court this 17th day of December,

TARA S. GREEN As Clerk of the Court By Taylor Tyson

As Deputy Clerk Legal 47150 published Dec 24 and Dec 31, 20209 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper. 20-48572

#### FICTITIOUS NAME

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

is hereby given that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name

#### PURIFY PRODUCTS

Located at 4002 J LOUIS ST in the County of CLAY, in the City of GREEN CV SPGS, FLORIDA 32043-8351 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee,

riorida. Dated at GREEN CT SPGS Florida, this 23RD day of December, 2020

Owner/corp: PURIFY PRODUCTS Legal 47187 published Dec 31, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

#### NOTICE OF REGULAR **BOARD OF** SUPERVISORS' MEETING AND AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING FOR CROSS CREEK NORTH COMMUNITY

DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT The Board of Supervisors' of Cross Creek North Community Development District will hold a regular meeting on January 12, 2021 at 3:30 p.m. at the Cross Creek North Amenity Center located at 2895 Big Oak Drive, Green Cove Springs, FI Oak Drive, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043. There will be an Audit Committee meeting prior to the onset of the Board of Supervisors' meeting. The Audit Committee will review, discuss and establish the evaluation criteria for any proposals the District receives pursuant to solicitations for auditing services

Please note that due to the ongoing nature of the COVID-19 public health

nature of the COVID-19 public health emergency, it may be necessary to hold the above referenced meeting hold the above referenced meeting utilizing communications media technology in order to protect the health and safety of the public or held at an alternative physical location other than the location indicated above. To that end, anyone wishing to participate in such meetings should contact the District Manager's Office prior to each meeting to confirm the applicable meeting access and/or location information. Additionally, interested meeting access and/or location information. Additionally, interested parties may refer to the District's website for the latest information: https://www.crosscreeknorthcdd.org/ The meetings are open to the public and will be conducted in accordance and will be conducted in accordance with the provision of Florida Law for Community Development Districts. The meetings may be continued to a date, time, and place to be specified on the record at the meeting. A copy of the agenda for these meetings may be obtained from c/o Rizzetta & be obtained from c/o Rizzetta & Company, Inc., 2806 North Fifth Street, Suite 403, St. Augustine, Florida 32084, or by calling (904)

436-6270. 436-6270.
There may be occasions when one or more Supervisors or staff will participate by telephone. Pursuant to provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations at this meeting because of a disability or physical impairment should or physical impairment should contact the District Office at (904) 436-6270 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting. 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 Office.

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decision made at the meeting with respect to any matter considered at the meeting is advised that person will need a record of the proceedings and that accordingly, the person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which such appeal is to be based.

Lesley Gallagher District Manager

Legal 47190 published Dec 31, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

#### **NOTICE OF**

PUBLIC SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
the undersigned, pursuant to
SECTION 83.801-809
Florida Statutes "Storage Facility

Florida Statutes "Storage Facility Act" will sell to the highest bidder the contents of the following storage units located at KEYSTONE the contents of the following storage units located at KEYSTONE HEIGHTS SELF STORAGE, 1029 SE Sate Road 100, Keystone Heights, FL 32656. Said contents consisting of personal property, household and other goods, furniture, etc., or as otherwise indicated.

Sale will take place on January 16th, 2021 @ 10:00am @ 1029 SE State Road 100, Keystone Heights, FL 32656. This sale is being made to satisfy a statutory lien. Registration will begin at 9:15am at 7378 Sunrise will begin at 9:15am at 7378 Sunrise Blvd, Keystone Heights, FL 32656 and then will proceed to the location listed above as the auction site. Unit number(s) and name(s) of tenants are as follows:
K094 Lissa Metzger
K094 Lissa Hunt

K098 Lisa Hunt K124 Cheryl Kelsey K140 Frederick Drozenko

Entire contents of the following units will be sold to satisfy a lien & other charges according to Fl. Statues 83.806. Seller reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to withdraw any unit from such sale. Open bids only.

Open bids only.

CASH PAYMENTS ONLY. ALL
Sales Are Final. 10% Buyers
Premium. For any winning bid the buyer must present a \$50.00 cleaning fee for each winning unit and is refundable upon returning the unit broom swept. Contents to an amoved by close of business

Legal 47181 published Dec 31, 2020 and Jan 7, 2021 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 JURIS DICTION
DIVISION
CASE NO. 2020CA000651
LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING,
LLC,
Plaintiff,

vs. STEVEN C. TANNER, et al.

Defendants. To: THOMAS LEIGHTON FORBES 411 N. SADDLEBROOK CIRCLE.

411 N. SADDLEBROOK CIRCLE, CHESTER SPRINGS, PA 19425 UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF THOMAS LEIGHTON FORBES 411 N. SADDLEBROOK CIRCLE, CHESTER SPRINGS, PA 19425 JAMES D. RICKS III 514 GOVERNOR STREET, GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FL 32043 DEBORAH L. RICKS

DEBORAH L. RICKS 514 GOVERNOR STREET, GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FL 32043 STEVEN C TANNER

304 PEARL STREET, GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FL 32043 UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF STEVEN C.

UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF STEVEN C.
TANNER
304 PEARL STREET,
GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FL 32043
LAST KNOWN ADDRESS STATED,
C U R R E N T R E S I D E N C E

UNKNOWN YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose Mortgage covering the following real and personal property

#### **Legal Notice**

SOLIARE PALMER AND FERRIS SQUARE, PALMER AND FERRIS TRACT, IN THE CITY OF GREEN COVE SPRINGS, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGE 1, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, SAID DESCRIBED LAND FRONTING 150 FEET ON PEARL STREET PEARL STREET.

PEARL STREET.
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 Street, Suite 155, Orlando, FL 32801 and file the original with Clerk of the above-styled Court on or before thirty (30) days from the first publication, otherwise a Judgment may be entered against you for the may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint. WITNESS my hand and seal of said Court this 14th day of December,

(seal)
Tara S. Green
Clerk of the Court
By: Jaimie Pippin
Deputy Clerk
Legal 47135 published Dec 24 and

Dec 31, 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 managers lies of the 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

Hsld gds

32065 904-272-3705
Megan Summers - Hsld gds;
TV/Stereo Equip; Tools/Applnces
Robert Norman - Hsld gds/Furn
Yokasta Hernandez-DeLa Cruz Hsld gds; TV/Stereo Equip;
Tools/Applnces
Dean Little - Hsld gds/Furn
Michael Owens - Hsld gds/Furn
Michael Owens - Hsld gds/Furn
Patricia Edwards - Hsld gds;
TV/Stereo Equip; Tools/Applnces
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.Sto
rageTreasures.com, which will end rageTreasures.com, which will end on Monday January 25, 2021 10:00 AM Legal 47184 published Dec 31, 2020 and Jan 7, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

## NOTICE OF

NOTICE OF
PUBLIC HEARING
The Board of County Commissioners
of Clay County, Florida, will hold a
public hearing Tuesday, January 12,
2021, at 5:00 p.m. or as soon
thereafter as can be heard, in the
Board of County Commissioners
Meeting Room on the Fourth Floor
of the Clay County Administration of the Clay County Administration Building, 477 Houston Street, Green

of the Clay County Administration Building, 477 Houston Street, Green Cove Springs, Florida, to consider the adoption of an ordinance bearing the following title:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING CLAY COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 2018-23, WHICH IS CODIFIED AS CHAPTER 7.3 OF THE CLAY COUNTY CODE, ENTITLED "EMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION SERVICES", BY AMENDING SEC. 7.3-6 (4) AND (5) OF THE ORDINANCE AND SEC. 7.3-6 (d) AND (e) OF THE CODE TO REPLACE "FINANCE" WITH "OMB"; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. All interested persons are invited to attend the public hearing and be heard by the Board on matters pertaining to the ordinance. Pursuant to Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes, a person deciding to appeal any decision made by the Board with Statutes, a person deciding to appeal any decision made by the Board with 1-11, of lonowing real and personal property and described as follows, to-wit:

ALL OF LOT 7 AND THE SOUTHERLY ONE-HALF (1/2) OF A person who decides to appeal any long real and personal property and property and

#### **Legal Notice**

advised that such person will need a advised that such person will need a record of all proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbatim record of all proceedings is made, which must include the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal in the based A conv of the is to be based. A copy of the proposed ordinance may be inspected by members of the public at the County Commission Offices, Fourth Floor of the Clay County Fourth Floor of the Clay County Administration Building, 477 Houston Street, Green Cove Springs, Florida, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, with the exception of legal holidays.

In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, any person needing a special accommodation to participate in this matter should

participate in this matter should contact the Clay County ADA Coordinator by mail at Post Office Box 1366, Green Cove Springs, Box 1366, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043, or by telephone at number (904) 269-6347, no later than three (3) days prior to the hearing or proceeding for which this notice has been given. Hearing impaired persons can access the foregoing telephone number by contacting the Florida Relay Service at 1-800-955-8770 (Voice), or 1-800-955-8771 (TDD).

Board of County Commissioners Clay County, Florida

Clay County, Florida Legal 47185 published Dec 31, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

#### **Bid Notices**

#### 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 Commissioners, Clay County, will be accepting sealed qualifications which will be received until 4:00 p.m., Monday, February 1, 2021, at the Clay County Administration Building, fourth floor, Purchasing Department, 477 Houston Street, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043, for the following:

RFQ NO: 20/21-14, PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING DESIGN CONSULTANT SERVICES FOR THE BONDED TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM (BTP) - CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT AT RISK (CMAR) GROUP #2

Qualifications will be opened at 9:00

GROUP #2
Qualifications will be opened at 9:00
A.M., or as soon thereafter as possible, on Tuesday, February 2, possible, on Tuesday, February 2, 2021 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 qualification deadline.

All communications with the County regarding this Bid should be directed to Donna Fish, Purchasing Division, (904) 278-3761or by email: purchasing@claycountygov.com

The County reserves the waive formalities in any bid, to reject 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 BIDS" WILL BE POSTED ON THE INTERNET AT: https://www.claycountygov.com/government/purchasing/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.

#### **Bid Notices**

SECURITY APPROVED UNDER THE COUNTY'S PURCHASING POLICY, IF REQUIRED FOR THIS THE COUNTY'S PURCHASING POLICY, IF REQUIRED FOR THIS SOLICITATION, OR THE FAILURE TO FILE A WRITTEN PETITION INITIATING A FORMAL PROTEST PROCEEDING WITHIN THE TIMES AND IN THE MANNER PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 8. (N), OF SAID POLICY, SHALL CONSTITUTE A WAIVER OF THE RIGHT TO PROTEST THE BID SOLICITATION, ANY ADDENDUM THERETO, OR THE BID DECISION, AS APPLICABLE, AND TO INITIATE A FORMAL PROTEST PROCEEDING UNDER SAID POLICY. THE COUNTY'S PURCHASING POLICY CAN BE VIEWED AT THE COUNTY'S WEBSITE BY FOLLOWING THE APPROPRIATE LINKS FROM THE HOMEPAGE ADDRESS SET FORTH ABOVE.

ABOVE.

IF A PROSPECTIVE BIDDER IS IN DOUBT WHETHER THIS SOLICITATION REQUIRES A BID

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 repair of a public building or public work, may not submit bids on leases 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 CATEGORY TWO for a period of 36 months from the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list.

Legal 47157 published Dec 24 and Dec 31, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

# REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR ANNUAL AUDIT SERVICES MAGNOLIA WEST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

The Magnolia West Community
Development District hereby
requests proposals for annual
financial auditing services. The
proposal must provide for the
auditing of the District's financial
records for the Fiscal Year Ending
2021 with an option for four records for the Fiscal Year Ending 2021 with an option for four additional annual renewals. The District is a local unit of special-purpose government created under Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, for the purpose of financing, constructing, and maintaining public infrastructure. The District is located in Clay County, Florida, and has an annual operating budget of approximately \$436,555.32 excluding debt service, and has a debt service budget of \$52,854.92 (Series 2006) for Fiscal Year Ending 2021. The final contract will require that, among

Fiscal Year Ending 2021. The final contract will require that, among other things, the audit for Fiscal Year 2021 be completed no later than February 1, 2022. The Auditing entity submitting a proposal must be duly licensed and authorized to do business in Florida; hold all applicable state and federal professional licenses in good standing, including but not limited to a license under Chapter 473, Florida Statutes and be qualified to conduct audits in accordance with "Government Auditing Standards", as adopted by the Florida Board of adopted by the Florida Board of Accountancy. Audits shall be conducted in accordance with LINK UNDER THE "BUSINESS"
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Have you registered your name with the state and now need to run a fictitious name advertisement?

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christie@opcfla.com or call 904-579-2153 to request the necessary form. It will run in our legal section for one week for \$35 Affidavit will be mailed to you.

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hard copies of their proposal and one (1) Adobe PDF file on flash drive to the District Manager, 2806 N. Fifth Street, Suite 403, St. Augustine, to the District Manager, 2806 N. Fifth Street, Suite 403, St. Augustine, Florida 32084, in an envelope marked on the outside "Auditing Services Magnolia West Community Development District." Proposals must be received by January 14, 2021 at 12:00 pm at the office of the at 12:00 p.m., at the office of the District Manager. Please direct all questions regarding this Notice to the District Manager.

Magnolia West Community Development District Lesley Gallagher District Manager

Legal 47193 published Dec 31, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

#### LEGAL NOTICE

A request for rezoning has been filed with the Town of Orange Park Economic and Community Development Department regarding property located on Holly Leaf Lane between Milwaukee Avenue and the terminus of Holly Leaf Lane. The parcel number is 41-04-26-019785-001-00.

41-04-26-019783-001-00. The Town Council will hold a public hearing for the proposed rezoning application on Tuesday, January 5, 2021 at 7:00 P.M. in the Town Council Chambers, located at the corner of Park Avenue and Kingsley Avenue. Anyone interested in this matter will be given an opportunity to be heard at the public hearing. A sign will be posted on the property concerned for the information of the general niblic

public.
Information regarding the proposed change is noted below.
Current Zoning Districts:
Residential, Single Family Estate-2

Proposed Zoning District: Governmental Use (GU)

Application No. R-2-2021 Acreage: 3.3 +/-Owner: Town of Orange Park

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ev Russo. Town Clerk Legal 47168 published Dec 31, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

#### **LEGAL NOTICE**

A request for rezoning has been filed with the Town of Orange Park Economic and Community Development Department regarding property located at 670 Nelson Drive between Nelson Drive South and between Nelson Drive South and Carnes Street. The parcel number is 41-04-26-019796-000-00.

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The Town Council will hold a public hearing for the proposed rezoning application on Tuesday, December 1, 2020 at 7:00 P.M. in the Town Council Chambers, located at the corner of Powle August 20 Park Avenue and Kingsley Avenue Anyone interested in this matter will be given an opportunity to be heard at the public hearing. A sign will be posted on the property concerned for the information of the general public

public.
Information regarding the proposed change is noted below.
Current Zoning Districts:
Residential, Single Family Estate-2 (RS-2)

(RS-2)
Proposed Zoning District:
Governmental Use (GU)
Application No. R-1-2021
Acreage: 10.0 +/Owner: Town of Orange Park

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appointment. Courtney Russo, Town Clerk Legal 47169 published Dec 31, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper



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#### **LEGAL NOTICE**

A request to amend the Future Land Use Map of the 2040 Comprehensive Plan has been filed with the Town of Park Economic and nity Development Orange Community Department regarding property located on Holly Leaf Lane between Milwaukee Avenue and the terminus of Holly Leaf Lane.

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Information regarding the application and proposed changes is noted below:

Application No: CP-2-2021 Application 1vo. CF-2-2021
Acreage: 3.3 +/Parcel No. 41-04-26-019785-001-00
Current Land Use Categories:
Low Density Residential (LDR)
Proposed Land Use Category:
Public / Semi-Public (P)

Town of Orange Park Owner: Town of Orang Current or previous use: Vacant - former single-family residential

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Information regarding the application and proposed changes is noted below:
Application No: CP-1-2021

Acreage: 10.0 +/Parcel No. 41-04-26-019796-000-00
Current Land Use Categories:
Low Density Residential (LDR)
Proposed Land Use Category:

Public / Semi-Public (P)

Public / Semi-Public (P)
Owner: Town of Orange Park
Current or previous use: Vacant former single-family residential
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appointment. Courtney Russo, Town Clerk Legal 47165 published Dec 31, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

#### LEGAL NOTICE

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Application No: CP-4-2021

Acreage: 0.97 +/Parcel No. 41-04-26-019801-000-00
Current Land Use Categories:
Low Density Residential (LDR) Proposed Land Use Category: Public / Semi-Public (P)

Public / Semi-Public (P)
Owner: Town of Orange Park
Current or previous use: Vacant former single-family residential
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appointment. Courtney Russo, Town Clerk Legal 47162 published Dec 31, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

#### LEGAL NOTICE

A request for rezoning has been filed with the Town of Orange Park Economic and Community Development Department regarding property located on Nelson Drive between Carnes Street and Nelson Drive South. The parcel number is 41-04-26-019801-000-00.

The Town Council will hold a public hearing for the proposed rezoning

hearing for the proposed rezoning application on Tuesday, January 5, 2021 at 7:00 P.M. in the Town Council 2021 at 7:00 P.M. in the Town Council Chambers, located at the corner of Park Avenue and Kingsley Avenue. Anyone interested in this matter will be given an opportunity to be heard at the public hearing. A sign will be posted on the property concerned for the information of the general public. Information regarding the proposed change is noted below.

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Application No. R-4-2021

Acreage: 0.97 +/
Current Zoning Distr Current Zoning Districts: Residential, Single Family Estate-2

(RS-2)

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Proposed Zoning District:
Governmental Use (GU)
Owner: Town of Orange Park
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#### **LEGAL NOTICE**

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Map of the 2040 Comprehensive
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Application No: CP-3-2021 Acreage: 1.33 +/-Parcel No. 41-04-26-019819-000-00 Parcel No. 41-04-26-019819-000-Current Land Use Categories: Low Density Residential (LDR) Proposed Land Use Category: Public / Semi-Public (P) Owner: Town of Orange Park

Current or previous use: Vacant Any person(s) deciding to appeal any decision made by the Town Council with respect to any matter lered at this meeting or

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Courtney Russo, Town Clerk
Legal 47163 published Dec 31, 2020
in Clay County's Clay Today
newspaper

#### REQUEST FOR BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Clay County Board of County Commissioners will be accepting sealed bids until 4:00pm, Monday, February 1, 2021, at the Clay County Admin Bldg, 4th Floor, Purchasing Department, 477 Houston Street, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043, for the following:

NO: 20/21-16, MOWING

CLAY COUNTY FACILITIES
Bids will be opened at 9:00am, or as soon thereafter as possible, on Tuesday, February 2, 2021 in the Clay County Admin Bldg, Conference Room "B", 4th floor, 477 Houston St, Green Cove Springs, FL.
Proposals will not be valid unless received by the proposal deadline

received by the proposal deadline and in a sealed envelope marked: "BID NO. 20/21-16, MOWING SERVICES FOR VARIOUS CLAY
COUNTY FACILITIES". Envelopes
are to be submitted in person or
delivered by courier to the above

address.

A pre-bid meeting has been scheduled for January 12, 2021 at 10:00am at the Clay County Admin Bldg, Conference Room "B", 4th Floor, 477 Houston St, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043. This meeting is t mandatory although prospective bidders are encouraged to attend the meeting

meeting.

Bids require a five percent (5%) bid

bond and may not be withdrawn after
the scheduled opening time for a
period of thirty (30) days. The term
bid bond shall include bonds or
cashier or certified checks payable
to Clay County Board of County
Commissioners Commissioners.

A pre-bid meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday, January 12, 2021 at 10:00am at the Clay County Admin Bldg, Conference Room "B", 4th Floor, 477 Houston St, Green

4th Floor, 477 Houston St, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043. All communications with the County regarding this Bid should be directed to Kris Collora, Purchasing Department, (904) 529-3857 or by email: purchasing @claycountygov.com

@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

requirements, and/or to accept the bid that, in its judgment, will be in the best interest of the County.

Interested vendors are advised that the Clay County Board of County Commissioners has 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 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/Hom The

https://www.claycountygov.com/Home/ShowDocument?id=926.
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: https://www.claycou ntygov.com/government/purchasing/ bcc-bid-tabs-current-bids-intent-bids rejection-bids THIS WEB PAGE

CAN ALSO BE ACCESSED FROM THE HOMEPAGE OF THE THE HOMEPAGE OF THE COUNTY'S WEBSITE AT: www.clay.countygov.com BY FOLLOWING THE "NOTICE OF INTENT BIDS" LINK UNDER THE "BUSINESS" ROLLOVER BUTTON ON THE COUNTY'S HOMEPAGE. NO OTHER NOTICE WILL BE POSTED.
PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS ARE NOTIFIED THAT THE FAILURE TO INCLUDE WITHIN THE SEALED BID ENVELOPE, A PROPER BID BOND OR OTHER SECURITY APPROVED UNDER THE COUNTY'S PURCHASING POLICY, IF REQUIRED FOR THIS SOLICITATION, OR THE FAILURE

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County, Florida, described as:
Lot 82, The Woodlands Unit Two,

#### **Bid Notices**

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WEBSITE BY FOLLOWING THE
APPROPRIATE LINKS FROM THE HOMEPAGE ADDRESS SET FORTH

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.

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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 work, may not submit bids on leases of real property to a public entity, may not be awarded or perform work 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 47182 published Dec 31, 2020

Legal 47182 published Dec 31, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

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Information regarding the proposed change is noted below

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Current Zoning Districts:
Residential, Single Family Estate-1 (RS-1)

(RS-1)

Proposed Zoning District:
Governmental Use (GU)

Application No. R-3-2021

Acreage: 1.33 +/Owner: Town of Orange Park

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8:00 A.M. until 5:00 P.M. by appointment. Courtney Russo, Town Clerk Legal 47168 published Dec 31, 2020 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

#### **Notice of Sale**

#### NOTICE OF SALE THE COUNTY COURT OF THE

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

CASE NO.: 2019-CC-1260 DIVISION: D

FLEMING ISLAND PLANTATION OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not for profit Corporation,

vs.
ROSS SOLBERG; MARIBEL
LOZADA; and UNKNOWN TENANT, and all other unknown parties, including if a named Defendant is deceased, the personal representatives, the surviving spouse, heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors, and all other parties claiming, by, through, under or against that Defendant, and all against that Defendant, and all claimants, person or parties, natural or corporate, or whose exact legal status is unknown, claiming under any of the above named or described Defendants, Defendants.

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant

#### **Notice of Sale**

according to the plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 35, Pages 22 through 28, of the Public Records of Clay County, Florida.

at public sale on February 16, 2021 at 10:00 a.m., to the highest bidder for cash, at WWW.CLAY.REALFORECL cash, at WWW.CLAY.REALFORECL OSE.COM in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens must file a claim before the Clerk reports the claim before the Clerk reports the surplus as unclaimed DATED this 22nd day December.

Tara S Green Tara S. Green
CLERK OF THE COURT
BY: Melissa Wilder
As Deputy Clerk
AMERCANS WITH DISABILITIES
ACT (ADA) NOTICE
If you are a person with a disability
who needs any accommodation in
order to participate in this

order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact order ADA Coordinator at the ADA Coordinator at (904) 255-1695 or crtintrp@coi.net 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 47183 published Dec 31, 2020 and Jan 7, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

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