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Superheroes run to benefit Grace Episcopal Day School

By Bruce Hope
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ORANGE PARK – Saturday's Superhero Run featured people dressed in the costumes of many comic book heroes, but the main idea was to support the first responders and front-line personnel of the area, such as doctors, nurses, teachers, police, firefighters and veterans.

First Place Sports held a 5K/8K run, with proceeds going towards Grace Episcopal Day School. The race featured a one-mile fun run, followed by a five- and eight-kilometer runs along the River Road

and the St. John's River.

"The proceeds of this run help to support our financial aid program," said Moppy McGee, director of admissions at Grace.

Hundreds of participants showed up to the event, looking for fresh air, exercise and camaraderie.

"I get emails from First Place sports," said Anthony Dixon, a Jacksonville resident. "This is my second event at this location. I ran the one last week. I run more than one of these. I run these probably

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STAFF PHOTO BY BRUCE HOPE

Christian and Maryory Montelongo poses ahead of the 5K Superhero Run in Orange Park. Hundreds came out to benefit the Grace Episcopal Day School.

Laissez les bons temps rouler!

Fat Tuesday at Mackey's

Hundreds attend Mardi Gras celebration at Mackey's Munchies in Orange Park

By Don Coble
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ORANGE PARK – Despite the trepidation, precautions and weariness that's been a part of the COVID-19 pandemic, they still found a way to laissez les bons temps

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STAFF PHOTO BY DON COBLE

Brandye and Brian Mackey celebrated Mardi Gras with more than 200 customers.

State champion

Briley brings
home the gold

Oakleaf High junior weightlifter Tamira Briley shows off some bling, a 110-pound Class 3A gold medal, after dominating the FHSAA state championship meet Saturday afternoon at St. Cloud High School. Briley set a bench press state meet record of 175 pounds in the bench press in winning her first state title.

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BEST OF CLAY
nominations begins

Dear Readers,

Last year marked our second “Readers’ Choice Awards” or BEST OF CLAY Awards. With more than 100,000 votes and 208 winners, it was incredible for area businesses and individuals to be recognized as the best in their profession. This will again be the biggest contest for local Clay County businesses. All nominations and voting will be done online at www.claytodayonline.com

We are gearing up to begin the 2021 “Best of Contest” and can’t hardly imagine the engagement from the Clay County community through the nomination and voting period as it will be bigger than we experienced last year. The annual contest is an excellent opportunity for local businesses, charities, clubs and individuals to promote that business, charity or themselves.

This year’s nominations started on Wednesday, Feb. 17 at midnight. A business only needs to be nominated one time to be entered into a specific category. Nominations run through March 18 at 11:59 p.m.

Anyone can register to vote, and you can cast one vote a day for each category.

For this year the 2021 contest businesses will again have the chance to promote on each of our digital products as well as through word of mouth, business associations, the Clay County Chamber of Commerce as well as their own social media, friends and family and employees.

Once the contest ends Clay Today will gather winners from the special online contest and publish a very special listing of the Best of the Best of Clay County.

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Best Regards,
Jon Cantrell
Publisher, Clay Today

Orange Park decides

Hall looking for voters’ approval to stay on town council

In the second installment of a weekly series, candidates for the Orange Park Town Council will be profiled. This week, Seat 4 incumbent Virginia Hall is looking for re-election in her race against Susana Thompson. Next week, John Hauber, a candidate for Seat 3, will be profiled in his race against Roland Mastandrea.

By Wesley LeBlanc
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ORANGE PARK – Virginia Hall was selected by the town council to serve until April, but now she’ll need the town to vote for her if she’s going to stay on the council.

Hall was appointed by the Orange Park Town Council after months of rigorous debate that ended in a stalemate. Hall was eventually selected to serve until the town’s election on April 13.

“It’s been a wonderful experience thus far,” Hall said. “Everybody has been very welcoming and very kind since I’ve been on the council and I hope to continue this for another year. I’m very blessed already to be able to serve.”



Virginia Hall was appointed by the town council to serve until April, but come then, she’ll need to secure votes from town residents to serve beyond that.

This election is a unique one for the town. Former mayor and council member Connie Thomas stepped down to run a campaign for the Board of County Commission, and that created the hole Hall eventually filled. The election is to determine the remainder of Thomas’ term,

according to Hall, so if elected, her term would consist of roughly one year.

She said her focus right now is securing this term in April, but that running again after that year is also on the table.

“I’ll serve as long as the people of Orange Park would like for me to serve,” Hall said.

Hall is a fourth-generation resident of Clay County and she’s lived in Orange Park for nine years after living in Green Cove Springs, where she also served on the town council. She moved to Orange Park because that’s where her now-husband has lived for 25 years.

“My husband is living proof of how special of a place Orange Park is,” she said. “He’s been here for 25 years and it’s been my home for nine years. I’ve really enjoyed getting to know the town and the community.”

She said the town has a very distinct character as a small town with charm and a wealth of natural resources and amenities. These amenities and resources are very important to her as a council mem-

SEE HALL, 9



The Orange Park Town Council is moving forward with Playmore’s \$687,735 proposal to build a playground at Clarke House Park.

Orange Park selects Playmore to build new playground

By Wesley LeBlanc
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ORANGE PARK – The town council approved a contract with Playmore to create a new playground for the Clarke House Park.

The Town of Orange Park posted a survey on Facebook showcasing three dif-

ferent playground proposals for the park. Each differed in a big way and now, more than a month later, the town has revealed which proposal it chose.

“We’ve taken your recommendation to negotiate with Playmore,” town manager Sarah Campbell said during the council meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 16. “We have

made some changes based on recommendations [though].”

Those changes include a toddler play zone and the addition of a sand box. The playground will cost \$682,735, and materials to build it are expected to arrive in

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Chemo Noir: A ride for a reason

By William Davis
Steel Mill Fleming Island

Recovering from the loss of a loved one can be one of the hardest things a person can go through. People handle loss in many ways. The emotions and feelings attached to a loss can be destructive, but they can also be used as a driving force for something positive. That is what Greg Taylor is doing. Not only is he using it as his own driving force, but he is using it to help others.



William Davis

Starting on Feb. 20, Greg is going to ride his bike 11,500 miles on a trip that will take approximately six months. Greg is doing this to help raise money for a local non-profit called Chemo Noir. This organization located in Jacksonville Beach was started by Kat Casey and helps those going through cancer treatment. Sometimes they help with household bills from those who are struggling as they seek treatment. Other times they help in the funding of actual cancer treatment.

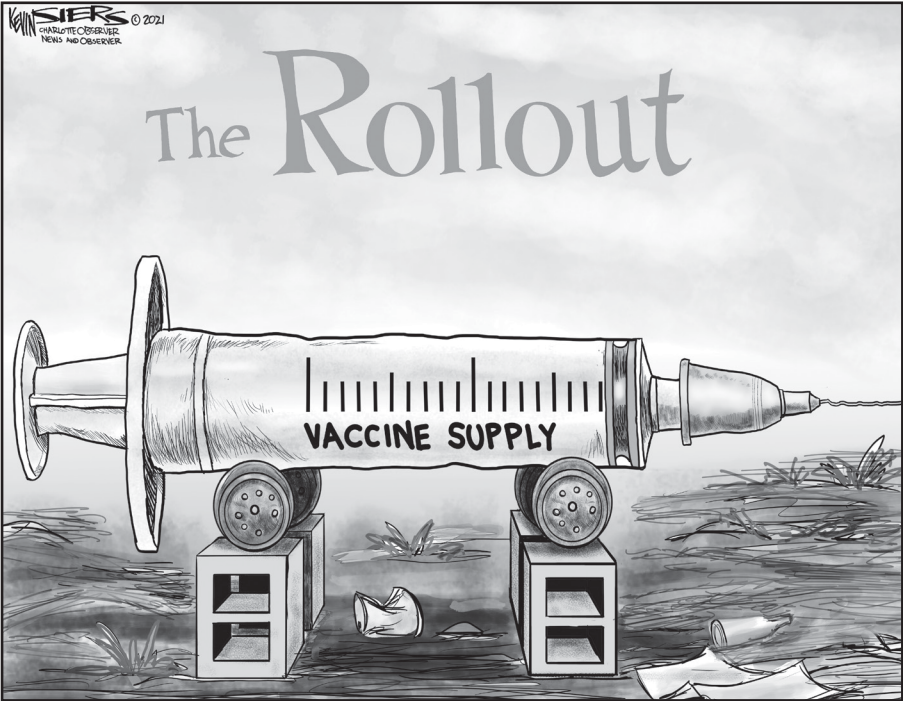
This mission is close to the heart for Greg as one of the main reasons for this ride is to bring closure after losing his aunt. Greg lost his aunt Melody Winfield when he was 17 years old to cancer and has not fully been able to bring closure to the situation.

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Greg Taylor will ride his bicycle for 11,500 miles to raise money for Chemo Noir, a non-profit that helps families dealing with cancer.

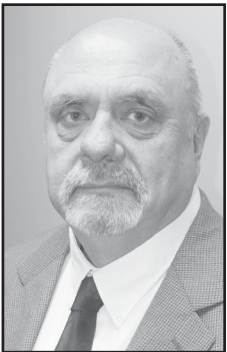
OPINION



McDowell’s victory another page in unpredictable lure of the Daytona 500

By Don Coble
Managing Editor

First there was fire. Then rain. Followed by even more fire. Last Sunday’s Daytona 500 had two massive crashes that involved a total of 24 cars, a six-hour rain delay and a surprise victory by Michael McDowell that was another unexpected, yet predictable, ending to one of stock car racing’s most bizarre days.



Don Coble

The season-opening race at the Daytona International Speedway once again proved to be elusive, eccentric and absolutely entertaining. The only certainty at Daytona is its ability to be problematic for some of the sport’s elites and plausible for the most-desperate of longshots.

Like McDowell.

It took McDowell 358 Cup Series races to win for the first time. His surprising last-lap run was just his fourth top-five finish. All four came at either Daytona or its sister track at Talladega, Alabama.

All of the slow cars, frustration and impossible challenges of the past suddenly seemed worth it after he drove through a crash between race leaders Joey Logano and Brad Keselowski in the third turn of the final lap.

“I love this sport. I love being in NASCAR and I love the challenge of it and

how difficult it is,” McDowell said. “The sacrifice it’s worth it because this is what I’ve dreamed about doing and to win, yes, for sure. That’s what it’s all about. We all show up on Sunday for one reason, we want to win the race, but even if you didn’t it’s still worth it. This is such a great sport and I’m so thankful to be one of 40. I think it’s so easy to take that for granted how many race car drivers there are in the world and to be one of 40 that gets to start on Sundays, that’s amazing so it’s definitely worth it.”

McDowell now joins a list of other improbable Daytona 500 winners like Derrike Cope, Trevor Bayne and Ward Burton. Former champions Keselowski, Kyle Busch, Chase Elliott and Martin Truex Jr. still haven’t won the 500. Neither did Rusty Wallace, Tony Stewart and Terry Labonte.

There was a 16-car crash on the 14th lap that started when Busch gave Christopher Bell a hard bump in Turn 3. Bell rammed into Aric Almirola twice, and the second shove sent Almirola into the outside wall.

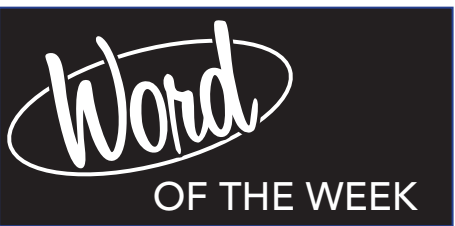
In a blink, contenders like Truex, Alex Bowman, Ryan Blaney, Kurt Busch, Ryan Newman and William Byron essentially were eliminated.

Then came the rain. Lots of rain.

The race finally resumed shortly after 9:30 p.m. Denny Hamlin, who was seeking to become the first driver to win the 500 three years in a row, won the first two segments.

The intensity boiled in the closing

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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.

Ragamuffin: (RAG-uh-muf-in) a noun that means a disreputable, poorly clothed and dirty child.

“Bob looked like a ragamuffin, which was one of the things that was appealing about him.”

This Week In History

Five years ago, 2016

- Certified Public Accountant James Kevin Hargnett of Green Cove Springs is sentenced to 20 years in prison for stealing \$16.6 million from former clients.
- The Mid-Clay Reclaimed Water Land Application Recovery System is opened in Lake Asbury.
- A \$700,000 Community Development Block Grant will allow Orange Park to make badly-needed upgrade water and sewer lines.

10 years ago, 2011

- More than 75 people gather on Abraham Lincoln’s birthday at the Magnolia Springs Cemetery to honor soldiers who died in the Civil War.
- A space heater triggers a fire that caused \$100,000 in damages to a home on Hogarth Road. Nobody was injured.
- James Moore & Company tells the Orange Park Town Council spent \$200,000 on a solid waste management project without going through the bidding process.

20 years ago, 2001

- Lakeside Junior High’s Paolo Olis corrected spelled “Utilitarian” to win the county’s Spelling Bee competition.
- Optometrist Dr. Robert Timothy Carter pleads guilty to conspiracy to commit arson following fires at a vacation home and three rental properties in 1996 that he owned.
- The Orange Park High boys soccer team advances to the 4A Final Four after Eric Williams’ goal with 31:43 remaining was enough for a 1-0 victory against Lake City.

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Opinions ...

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Letters to the Editor

Exercise vital to child’s development during pandemic slowdown

By Aileen Griffin
The Children’s Center in Orange Park

CLAY COUNTY – The world is in a standstill due to the ongoing pandemic, but it is still important for people to keep moving.



Aileen Griffin

Exercise is a vital part of someone’s physical and psychological health, and this fact is especially true when it comes to children. With that in mind, it is important to make sure your child is engaging in physical activity for at least an hour each day.

According to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention, exercise is essential for a child’s development. The organization suggests combining aerobic, muscle-strengthening and bone-strengthening exercises to ensure your child grows into

Exercises isn’t just good for a child physically though. It also does wonders for a child mentally.

a healthy adult.
Aerobic exercises are activities such as running, which improves a person’s cardiovascular system. Muscle-strengthening exercises are activities such as climbing, which builds a person’s muscles. Bone-strengthening exercises are activities such as jumping, which fortifies a person’s bones.

The Center for Disease Control and Prevention said that children should do a wide array of physical activities to become confident and comfortable in their motor skills.

Exercises isn’t just good for a child physically though. It also does wonders for a child mentally.

According to Psychology Today, 20 minutes of aerobic exercise each day can reduce anxiety and depression. It also lowers the risk of high blood pressure and diabetes.

Hardworking Florida employers targeted by exploitative lawsuits

Editor:

Like everyone else, the ongoing pandemic has weighed heavily on employers. In addition to operating a business in this economy, employers are currently dealing with a threat that’s been hanging over our heads for years, only to be exacerbated by COVID-19. And that is the constant threat of lawsuits.



Leslie Dougher

Don’t get me wrong, there are plenty of instances in which a lawsuit against an employer is warranted and necessary. Unfortunately, respectable and reasonable lawsuits seem

to be in the minority when it comes to what employers today are facing.

These days, an employer can get sued over virtually anything. It doesn’t matter how hardworking you are, how well you treat your employees, how many safety protocols you put into place. If a trial lawyer finds a loophole or a technicality in one of Florida’s broken laws, they bring suit. For greedy guys like this, the pandemic was just another tool under their belts that they can use to bring suit and shake down businesses.

Hardworking, honest Florida employers do not deserve to be targeted by these exploitative lawsuits, and we deserve protections put in place to get this problem under control.

Leslie Dougher
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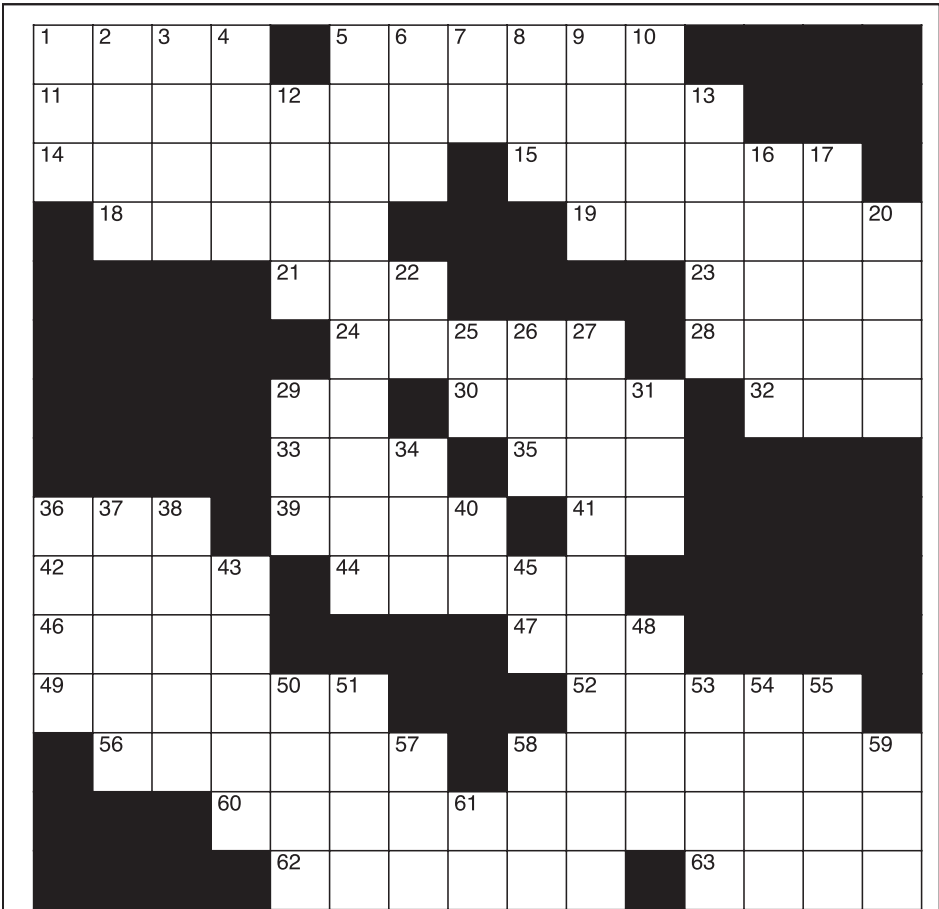
History
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30 years ago, 1991

- The board of commissioners meet to discuss new language that would prohibit the construction of a bio-chemical incinerator in the county.
- A Clay County Sheriff’s Office deputy shoots a burglary in the neck inside the Copy Right Office Supply Store on Blanding Boulevard after the suspect, Robert James Jackson of Jacksonville made a threatening move toward the deputy.
- The county buys 5.01 acres on Black Creek, adjacent to the Middleburg boat ramp for \$110,000.

40 years ago, 1981

- The BCC denies a special zoning request for a bar and lounge on U.S. Highway 17 at Artis Road on Fleming Island.
- The Clay High girls basketball team win she district championship by defeating St. Augustine.
- The Clay County Commission and the Clay County Citizen’s Coalition send the state a letter putting it on notice the county is seeking additional sources for electrical services in an attempt to oust JEA from the county.



CLUES ACROSS

- 1. One of Noah’s sons
- 5. Openings
- 11. Rising from the dead
- 14. Expressions for humorous effect
- 15. North American country
- 18. Flowed over
- 19. Tags
- 21. Long-lasting light bulb
- 23. Off-Broadway theater award
- 24. Khoikhoi peoples
- 28. Beloved movie pig
- 29. South Dakota
- 30. Tai language
- 32. Get free of
- 33. Afflict
- 35. Transmits genetic information from DNA
- 36. Commercials
- 39. Digits
- 41. Expression of sympathy
- 42. Bleats
- 44. Swiss Nobel Peace Prize winner
- 46. Vegetable

CLUES DOWN

- 1. A title of respect in India
- 2. His and __
- 3. Employee stock ownership plan
- 4. A type of bond (abbr.)
- 5. Acting as if you are
- 6. Affirmative
- 7. Not caps
- 8. Type of medication
- 9. Monetary unit
- 10. Private school in New York
- 12. Small stream
- 13. A person of wealth
- 16. Exclude
- 17. Someone who vouches for you

- 20. Vegetable part
- 22. Gov’t lawyer
- 25. Term to address a woman
- 26. Swiss river
- 27. About senator
- 29. __ Paulo, city
- 31. Native American tribe
- 34. ‘Titanic’ actor
- 36. Campaign for students’ rights (abbr.)
- 37. Capital of Senegal
- 38. Slang for military leader
- 40. Football’s big game
- 43. Women who threw themselves on funeral pyres
- 45. Equally
- 48. Forest animal
- 50. Heavy stoves
- 51. Releasing hormone (abbr.)
- 53. Song
- 54. Type of pickle
- 55. Offer in return for money
- 57. Soviet Socialist Republic
- 58. Burns wood (abbr.)
- 59. Beloved singer Charles
- 61. Three-toed sloth

Reaching for the stars



Ludlam using AstroBot STEM to attract more women to advanced technology

By Wesley LeBlanc
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FLEMING ISLAND — Kaitlyn Ludlam is paving the way for women in the future of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics.

When Ludlam was about 8 years old, she went to the Kennedy Space Center to see the last shuttle launch at the time there. She witnessed history, learned more about the progress humankind has made in space and saw how NASA's many different simulations worked. It was there that she decided space was her future.

"I decided that day that I wanted to be an astronaut," Ludlam said. "There was no

question about it. With that in mind, I figured out what I needed to do and where I needed to focus: math and science."

Ludlam quickly realized in her extracurricular math and science-related activities that it was a field largely dominated by men. That was intimidating, but she persevered. Now she's an 18-year-old freshman at the University of Florida dual-majoring in mechanical engineering and aerospace engineering. For a little more than a year, she's been trying to make the STEM space more friendly for girls and women through her nonprofit dedicated to the cause: AstroBot STEM.

This nonprofit was founded as her Girl

Scout Gold project when she was a senior at Fleming Island High with the goal of creating a community for girls interested in STEM.

"It started as social media and a website counterpart to create a community of girls who are interested in STEM," Ludlam said. "It was important to me to create a support system for other girls and a place for others to teach and learn."

Ludlam wanted to make sure that if a girl or woman wanted to support or mentor in STEM, AstroBot Stem would be there for them.

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Kaitlyn Ludlam is an 18-year-old freshman at the University of Florida and she's using her experience to make the traditionally male-dominated STEM field more accessible to women of all ages.

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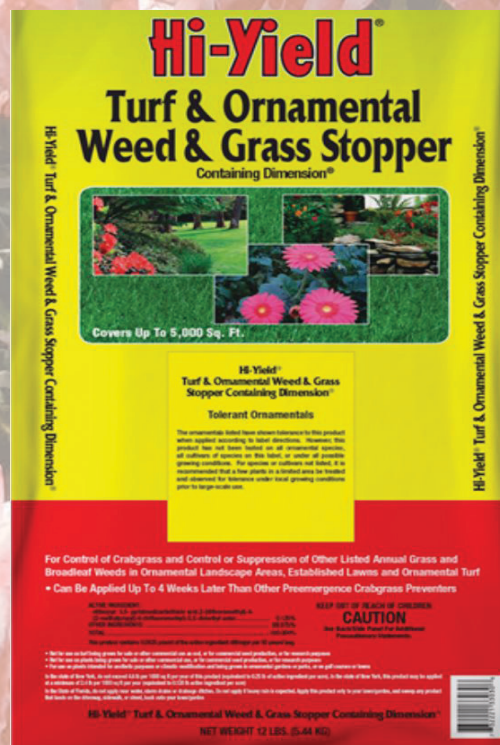
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Obituaries

Timme McArthur Thomas

Timme McArthur Thomas passed away on Wednesday, February 10, 2021.

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



Christopher Martin Smith

Christopher Martin Smith, 35, of Green Cove Springs, FL, passed away February 13, 2021.

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



Collene Morrison Oakes

Collene Morrison Oakes of Fleming Island died peacefully at home on February 4, 2021 at age 81. Born in 1939 to C.C. and Clarene in Jackson, Mississippi. Collene spent her early life in Linden, Alabama and moved to Marion as a teenager, a lucky move as it was there that Collene met the love of her life, Glen.

Collene attended Perry County High School and graduated with an RN degree from Druid City School of Nursing. Collene and Glen were married for over 61 years. They raised their four children while Glen completed Navy tours that took the family from California to Maine, from Virginia to Belgium, and back to Alabama.

In addition to being Mom in Chief, Collene worked as a nurse for Challenge Enterprises. She was also a skilled seamstress, the family (and neighborhood!) barber, and a hostess who could welcome and feed a crowd on short notice. She was the neighbor you sought out when your child had a temperature, the friend you dropped in on



Collene Oakes

when you needed a glass of wine or just a good listener. Despite a long battle with Parkinson's disease, Collene maintained her optimism, her loving outlook, and her sense of humor. Collene is survived by her husband D. Glen Oakes and their loving family, including her son Michael and his partner Marie, Matt and his wife Ashley, Christian and his wife Rosemary, and Kimberly and her husband Steve. She was a loving, devoted and fun grandmother to Darby and Adam, Peyton, Zeth and Nate.

Collene will be missed by her loving sisters Doris Spencer, Gail Weaver, and Sarah Medley; her brothers- and sister-in-law; her many nephews and nieces; and friends.

A memorial service for Collene will be held at a later time at the Orange Park United Methodist Church, where she and Glen have been members for many years. In lieu of flowers, donations in her memory may be made to:

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Robert Verlin Trueblood

Robert Verlin Trueblood, age 71, of Jacksonville, Fla. passed away on Friday, October 23, 2020.

Born on March 10, 1949 in Charleston, SC, he was the son of the late John Wilbur and Trueblood Estelle Baston Trueblood Brooks and Stepfather Reacy Brooks.

Mr. Trueblood served his country in the United States Army National Guard. He graduated from Andrew Jackson High School, Jacksonville and Operating Engineers Local No. 673 where he served as 4th year representative. He was a union crane operator helping to build

several Jacksonville buildings such as Blue Cross, Blue Shield, and Duval County Jail, and worked on the Dames Point Bridge. He loved boating and deep-sea fishing in the Florida Keys.

Survivors include his son, Robert B. Trueblood of Middleburg, son, Christopher J. Trueblood and daughter-in-law, Kaitlin of Jacksonville; five grandchildren: Logan Trueblood, Gabrielle Trueblood, Robert Trueblood, Blake Trueblood, and Courtney Walsh; 4 great-grandchildren, Charlie Dallas, Levi, Landon, and Summer Trueblood.

A celebration of his life was held December 5, 2020 in Jacksonville.

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For Clay Today

GREEN COVE SPRINGS – The Keep America Beautiful Great American Cleanup is the nation's largest community improvement program, which takes place annually at an estimated 15,000 community events nationwide. The 2021 Great American Cleanup St. Johns River Celebration will be a month-long event this year beginning February 20, which is the Keep Florida Beautiful Day of Service, through March 20. Individuals, families or small groups can organize their own cleanup activities throughout the month and avoid a single large gathering on a specific cleanup day.

To register your clean up event, email Tania.jolley@claycountygov.com with the Department of Environmental Services and provide the date, number of volunteers expected, and the location, whether it's a school, church campus, nature trail, bike trail, park, or waterway. Participants can pick up safety vests, trash collection data cards, and large plastic bags at the Rosemary Hill Solid Waste Management Facility located at 3545 Rosemary Hill Road in Green Cove Springs. Additional items you may need for a cleanup day include a rake or trash stick, dip nets, sunscreen, work gloves, and your boat or canoe. Be sure to wear old clothes and protective footwear. Students can receive community service hours to meet scholarship requirements

as long as they have registered and turn in the provided documentation and photos. For details visit <https://kab.org/programs/great-american-cleanup/>.

Keep Clay Beautiful - The Great American Cleanup may only be a month long but Keeping Clay County Beautiful continues year-round. Keep Clay Beautiful invites you to show your community pride by adopting a mile or spot in Clay County to help remove litter along county roads or at parks. Local businesses, organizations, or individuals who are interested in litter collection along roadways, roadside parks, county boat ramps, county parks, or trails should contact the Clay County Department of Environmental Services at (904) 269-6374 or (352) 473-3711 and inquire about the Adopt a Mile/ Spot Program. Participating groups or individuals will sign a two-year contract specifying the cleanup location, number of collection days, and collection procedures. Supplies and safety gear will be provided. Participating youths must be at least 12 years of age and the group shall provide at least one adult supervisor for each five children between the ages of 12-17 who are participating in the litter removal activity.

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Race

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laps. Like a ticking timebomb, it seemed certain a lot of cars would finish on the wrong end of a wrecker's hook. It boiled over with Keselowski and Logano, teammates at Team Penske, crashed when Logano aggressively blocked Keselowski, sending both into the wall.

"I don't feel like I made a mistake, but I can't drive everybody else's car, so frustrating," Keselowski.

McDowell's victory also was a win for one of the smaller, underfunded teams. Front Row Motorsports often buys used parts just to maintain its meager existence in NASCAR.

Hamlin, who wound up fifth, was clear: McDowell's victory was no fluke.

It was Daytona, where engine and aerodynamic restrictions creates a unique level playing field.

And unlikely winners.

"I think we are underdogs, but when we come to Daytona, I would consider us a top five contender every time, and I don't say that because I'm being boastful," McDowell said. "I just say that because a majority of these races we're in the top five when it



This 16-car pileup came on the 14th lap of last Sunday's Daytona 500, where the unexpected and improbable have become commonplace.

comes down to those last five laps – no different than Denny and Joey and there are a handful of guys that seem to be able to get themselves in those positions. But the difference is I haven't been able to close. I haven't been able to get to Victory Lane. I've been able to get in that Top 10 and that top five, so I do feel like we are underdogs from that standpoint."

McDowell knows when the Cup Series moves to the Daytona road course on Sunday and the Homestead-Miami Speedway a week later, he's probably destined to race in the back-half of the field. But for one night, one special night on the sport's grandest stage, he had the rest of the sport in his rearview mirror.

"I think that you always have the fire

for that and no doubt when you win that fire gets deeper, but we all know that's not an every-week thing for us and our race team right now," he said. "We've been making great gains, and I'm so proud of our Front Row organization. But we know that on 26 of the racetracks we'll be happy to be in that Top 10."



Ride

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He is trying to raise \$100,000 during the course of his trip. He wants to help Chemo Noir become a larger organization so it can reach more people and influence the local community.

His trip will begin in Jacksonville. He will ride his bike cross country to San Diego, California. Then up to Washington State, down to Denver, back east to Maine and down the Eastern seaboard ending back in Jacksonville. He will be staying at campsites and parks along the way.

What he did not expect was so many people who found out about his journey and have offered a hot meal, a couch to sleep

on, a front yard to put his tent in and just general support.

Talking to Greg another reason he is doing this ride is to inspire people to be kind and come together for a common cause.

"[The year] 2020 was a hard year for so many people and people became very nasty towards one another," he said. "Being stuck in our hour houses we lost some of that human connection. I want to bring that back and give people a reason to be kind to one another."

For those wanting to follow Greg's journey or donate to his cause you can go to usacancercycle.com and donate through the portal.

We hope to be following Greg's journey as he makes his way across country. Enjoy the ride.

Hall

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ber and she wants to see things like the Rob Bradley Conservation Park expand.

"It's a beautiful, local gem for our residents to enjoy and we have some things in the budget to continue to make improvements there," Hall said. "There are some longer-term plans identified there as well for things like kayaking and creating a very passive, natural park. I think it's going to be lovely and I look forward to working with the council on this."

Hall is the executive director of JP Hall Children's Charities, a charity that gives out thousands in college scholarships each year and holds the annual children's toy drive at the fairgrounds each December. She's also the president of the Ascension St. Vincent's Foundation, where she helps bring awareness to the hospital's mission of serving the poor and vulnerable and to raise funding for free healthcare in five Northeast Florida regions.

"Serving in the place you live is so

important to me," Hall said. "I was brought up to believe that you give back to your community and that can be done in so many different ways. This opportunity for council arose and I just thought, 'you know what, this is another chance for me to give back and this is important to me.'"

Hall said another thing she looks forward to in a possible election success is moving forward with the town's extensive visioning plan.

"We have a wonderful visioning plan that our citizens put together and I'd like to have a part in moving a lot of those pieces forward," Hall said. "I think there are a lot of initiatives in the visioning plan identified that we can move forward with that would really bring about some positive things in our community."

Hall named the Rob Bradley Conservation Park and the new Clarke House Park playground as key projects.

"It's important to me to listen and respect and encourage input from our Orange Park residents and neighbors, especially those directly affected by issues happening in the town. I'm very humbled and honored to be able to serve on the town council and I hope to do so beyond April."

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Soles for Tots continues to provide shoes to needy students

By Wesley LeBlanc
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FLEMING ISLAND — A local man needs all the help he can get collecting used and new shoes for students in the area.

Russ Kamradt is in his 13th consecutive year collecting shoes for his annual Soles for Tots shoe drive and this year he's looking for as many new pairs of shoes as he can find. Soles for Tots has collected more than 40,000 shoes, but there are still children in local elementary and junior high schools that need shoes.

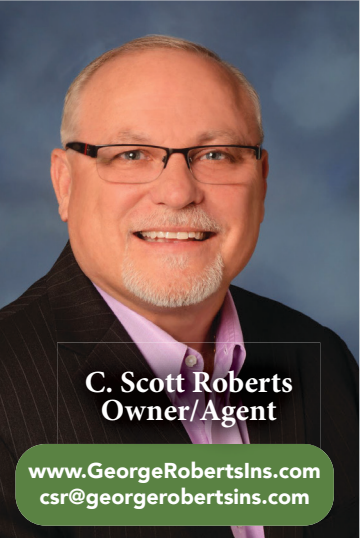
"What I do is contact the schools and I talk to whoever I can there," Kamradt said. "Be it a nurse, a principal, a counselor or whoever. They tell me what they need and what sizes and we try to come back with as much as we can, but we never have everything we need."

Kamradt said the shoe drive always gets plenty of toddler-sized shoes and more adult-sized shoes, but never enough for the junior-high aged students. He's asking for new shoes from all ages, but emphasizes

SEE SOLES, 15




Soles for Tots is a local organization asking for shoes as part of its annual shoe drive that sees thousands of shoes given to students in need.



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The FIRM

Offers unique challenges to novice, professional, Special Forces drivers

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KEYSTONE HEIGHTS – Whether it be Seal Team Six, a weekend Walter Mitty driver or professional race team looking for squeeze a little more speed out of a car, the wheels never stop turning at the Florida International Rally and Motorsport Park at the Keystone Heights Airport.

The 420-acre complex has tracks for every high-speed obsession, from novices learning how to shift gears to an off-road thrill-seeker looking to kick up a lot of dust,

the sound of high-revving engines never dies just a couple miles west of town on State Road 100.

“We only close on Christmas and Thanksgiving,” said John Van Buskirk, the tracks business development manager. “Other than that, we stay very busy.”

The track was booked for open and private sessions for 26 of 28 days in February.

The paved road course is 1.6 miles long with 10 turns, banked corners, hairpin and elevation changes. The course can

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Code Ninjas teaching children the technology of computer coding

By Wesley LeBlanc
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FLEMING ISLAND – Code Ninjas is looking to teach children how to code in a fun and exciting way.

The ability to code continues to grow more and more essential to any given person's skill set as time goes on and students are being encouraged everywhere to add coding to their tool box. It's not just a great skill for more technological jobs, but it can be helpful in virtually any job these days. A new business in Fleming Island is looking to make coding easier than ever.

"We really highlight that we have a great program that allows kids to learn to code in a fun and engaging way that's ideal for ages seven through 14," Fleming Island Code Ninjas center director Ryan Clark said. "Our kids here learn to code by coding websites, games, robotics and more. As parents, you want that extensive screen time every kid has to turn into productive time and coding is the bridge for that."

Coding is basically the computer language used to develop apps. Websites and software.

Code Ninjas opened as a national company about five years ago and Clark had been interested in it from essentially the

start. As a military veteran with more than 20 years spread between the military and Corporate America, Clark learned firsthand the importance of coding and technological knowledge. It's why he wanted to ensure his own children know coding.

His daughter is enrolled in Code Ninjas and Clark said she loves it. She works on coding websites, robotics, games and more at 1860 Town Hall Circle, Suite 58 B while learning different coding languages like Java, Lua and C-Sharp.

"I was really looking for something that could keep my child's interest while teaching them an essential skill such as coding and Code Ninjas was perfect for that," Clark said. "If you treat coding like any other class a child might take, they might not stay as interested, but Code Ninjas uses innovative ways to keep children engaged."

There are nine Code Ninjas belts students can earn and it takes about one to three months to earn a belt. They earn these belts by learning different coding languages through popular games like Minecraft and Roblox. Clark said something that's especially cool is that parents can login to a Code Ninjas Dojo at any time to view what their child is working on.

"It's been cool getting the family together to actually play a game my daughter



Code Ninjas is a new business in Clay County looking to make coding easy, fun and engaging for all of its members.

coded herself," Clark said.

Fleming Island's Code Ninjas is the only shop in Clay County, and it's been open since Feb. 8. Clark said it follows all CDC guidelines and state laws. The teachers, or Code Senseis, wear masks at all times, everything is disinfected in between uses and social distancing is encouraged.

Subscriptions are typically monthly and cost from \$229 to \$240 a month, although

Clark said there are early enrollment specials available now that can knock about 30% off from the price. Members also get 10% off of coding summer camps with Code Ninjas, spring break camps weekend "Parents Night Out" events. Those interested can visit <https://www.codeninjas.com/fleming-island-fl> for more details or call at (904) 375-0653.

AstroBot

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"We do a lot now," Ludlam said. "We have the website and social media for community building and resources and all that...but we do a lot more now too. We have a page for organizations that they can join be it robotics, a math team, Girls Who Code, and more for people that want to get involved."

That also includes events like the upcoming Introduce a Girl to Engineering event on Feb. 27. The event is a virtual ZOOM event due to COVID-19, and it's open to anyone for \$30. That price gets you the full necessary kit, a T-shirt and more. There still are 12 sponsored spots remaining in Putnam County, so if you sign up, the cost is covered. Ludlam said the Clay County sponsorship slots are taken, but the nonprofit is looking for more sponsorship.

You can sign up at astrobotstem.org/ events and more information about the event can be found there, but basically, there will be some STEM women speaking about the field, ways to get involved, how to be a female in the generally male-dominated field.

Ludlam still wants to be an astronaut, but her current goal is to graduate and work on rockets for space.

"It's all about letting girls know that this field is open for them and that their dreams are open," Ludlam said. "There are so many opportunities out there. The sky's the limit...well, actually, the sky isn't the limit anymore because we can go to space and beyond."

One man band

Battig feels connection to his music

Fleming Island senior plays 10 different instruments

By Bruce Hope
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FLEMING ISLAND – "When words fail, music speaks."

That's the mantra of 17-year-old Fleming Island High senior Gavin Battig, whose musical roots run deep. From two parents who played instruments, to being immersed in Baby Einstein as a toddler and beginning formal piano lessons at the age of 7.

Battig is gifted to compose music and play various instruments.

"I play 10 [instruments]," said Battig. "I play acoustic guitar, bass guitar; I play some drums, piano, trombone, some French horn, some trumpet, tenor saxophone, uh, vibraphone, and marimba." What's amazing, is that he only had formal instruction in piano and trombone and taught himself the rest.

Battig is involved in playing music at his church, River Christian Church. He also plays at his high school, where



STAFF PHOTO BY BRUCE HOPE

Fleming Island's Gavin Battig plays 10 instruments. He plans to study music composition at at Florida State University.

he participates in marching band, wind ensemble and jazz band.

Like many musicians, he doesn't just play music. He truly loves what he does. He feels a connection to his art.

"I love just being able express emotions and tell a story through all kinds of instruments," he said. "They all have different ways of speaking, so to say. Piano, really like draws me to it. It has some of the most beautiful sounds known to man that you can make out of it, and I really love expressing my own feelings and how

other people feel through music that's already been written and my own music."

He has many musical influences. The main one being his long-time piano teacher Dave Prentice. He also takes great inspiration from classical legends Chopin, Beethoven and Debussy.

"He's [Chopin] my favorite composer. I often play music of his," Battig said. "I've been compared to Debussy multiple times because of his impressionist music and feel."

Gavin isn't the only Battig child who has the musical gift. He has a younger brother, Logan, 13.

"He [Logan] is very musically inclined," said the boys' mother Amanda Battig. "He plays the drums and he also plays electric guitar." When asked what she is feeding her sons, Battig said it must have something to do with all of the Dr. Pepper sodas she drank while pregnant.

"Obviously we are proud parents and he [Gavin] has taken the small talent we have given him and far exceeded our wildest expectations of him. But really there are no words to describe seeing your son being so talented and having this beautiful gift that God has given him and being able to bless other people just through his music, it's amazing."

He hopes to attend Florida State University where he plans to study music composition. His desire is to become a composer. He also wants to teach music at the university level. For now, he continues to play in his high school bands and at church, as well on his YouTube channel, Gavin Battig Music.



The FIRM Park has a fleet of 50 cars, Jeeps and trucks for classes, while the facility also allows racers to bring their own cars for the road course, skid pad, kart track and off-road rally course.



FIRM

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be configured to include extra chicanes to provide additional challenges to the most-experienced racer.

The facility also has a pair of off-road rally courses that can be configured to seven miles, a 1,700-foot-long skid pad made of lime rock to learn car control and high-speed maneuvers and a half-mile karting track. The FIRM can feed any need for speed. "The combined tracks can be configured for 20 miles of racing," Van Buskirk said. And they can be organized to fit any skill level.

Track officials evaluate new drivers. Some start in the classroom, learning the basics of navigating high-speed corners, proper braking techniques and understanding how to shift gears. Others are allowed on the road or rally courses, but their progress is closely scrutinized. Professional level racers, use the diverse motorsports facility has their personal play-

"The rally driver is the most complete driver you can find. He can drive on all surfaces, in all kinds of conditions, in all vehicles – and that's just what the military wants."

– Ivor Wigham, English rally driver

ground.

One of the track's regulars is Travis Pastrana, who's won X Games gold medals in supercross, motocross and rally racing. He was at the track last week, evaluating it for possible future events.

"Between the [Sports Car Club of America] and our own events, we probably have 1,000 customers a year go through here," Van Buskirk said.

Van Buskirk said about 200 go through the Rally school and another 500 go through classes for the road course. A lot of people may have more experience than they think they do. This is where they can find out.

The SCCA had the track last weekend with the ProSolos on Friday and Saturday and the CFR RallyCross on the skid pad also on Saturday. The road course was

open to any racer on Sunday.

The track evolved at what once as Crystal Lake Army Airfield that quickly was known as the Keystone Army Airfield. It was used to teach tactical combat techniques during World War II.

Once the war was over, the base turned over the facility to the City of Keystone Heights as a private airport, but the airport's connection to the military remains strong.

"There is a lot of military training classes here because we can simulate a lot of different situations they face," Van Buskirk said. "Special Forces, Seal Team Six, train here ahead of missions to refine their next assignment."

In 1998, English rally driver Ivor Wigham set up the seven-mile European Rally School through the sand, scrub wood and pine forest on the corner of airport

property.

"The rally driver is the most complete driver you can find," Wigham told racingcircuits.info. "He can drive on all surfaces, in all kinds of conditions, in all vehicles – and that's just what the military wants."

Wigham invested \$2 million in 2008 to create the 1.6-mile road course. Wigham then sold the track in 2012 to the investment firm, The Strategic Group of Gainesville. IndyCar teams have tested at The FIRM ahead of the season-opening road-course race at St. Petersburg. Disney and FOX also have filmed there.

The FIRM has its own fleet of racing vehicles, including Jeeps, rally racers, trucks and road-course cars. Drivers also are allowed to bring their own cars during open sessions.

"A lot of people who come here are trying to learn how to drive in competitive situations," Van Buskirk said. "Not only do they learn something, they have a blast doing it."

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Clay County Fair announces COVID-19 protocols

For Clay Today

GREEN COVE SPRINGS — The theme for this year's Clay County Agriculture Fair is "What a ride! 35 years!" and that's exactly how fair organizers will proceed despite the COVID-19 pandemic.

The fair, which is scheduled for an April 1-11 run, will include fun, food, entertainment, rides and livestock shows for families in our area. However, visitors will be asked to follow some simple guidelines to prevent the spread of the virus, general manager Tasha Hyder said.

"We know these are difficult times and there are many concerns about health and safety," she said. "Our team is working hard to reduce the impact of the coronavirus on our communities while preparing for the upcoming fair. The Clay County Agricultural Fair continues to be in constant contact with county and health officials to ensure the safety of our guests. As we get closer to opening day, we want our guests to review our COVID-19 plan on our website and then evaluate their own personal health situation to make a decision that best fits their family."

The following procedures have been set in place to create a safe environment for our fairgoers, volunteers, vendors and employees:

- To cut down on the amount of touch points we have with guests, we highly recommend that guests purchase their tickets on our website, claycountyfair.org. This will also allow guests to go through our Fast Pass Lane at the main gate. Guests will still be able to purchase tickets at the gates and we will still accept cash transactions.
- New training programs have been provided to volunteers and employees instructing them on how to stay safe and keep fairgoers safe. Additional hand sanitation and hand washing stations have been installed in all areas of the fair.
- Fairgoers are strongly advised to wear masks while attending the fair, but it is not required. Masks will be available for free at our Guest Services booths for those that may have left their mask at home or lost theirs coming to the fair. We will also have neck gaiters for sale while supplies last.
- Touch-free or contactless payment options will be provided for admission and throughout the midway.
- Volunteers and midway employees who have been diagnosed or exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19 will be prohibited from entering the premises. Temperature checks will also be done prior to start of shifts.
- Informative signage will be posted at entrances and throughout the fairgrounds to remind fairgoers to adhere to the guidelines provided by the CDC.
- Fairgoers will be advised to utilize sanitation stations before entering each ride or attraction, and before and after consuming food



and drinks.

- Additional cleaning procedures have been put in place for the 2021 fair. New procedures have been implemented to increase cleaning and sanitization frequency. Arena stadium seating and all bleachers around the grounds will be sanitized after each show.
- All rides undergo a deep cleaning and sanitizing procedure prior to opening. This process is repeated throughout the fair. In addition, all high touch areas are sanitized at regular intervals during each days' operation.
- Some seating areas throughout the fairgrounds are reconfigured to promote social distancing.
- Anywhere there is the potential for people to stand in a line, queuing instructions (i.e., signage) and devices shall be used to instruct patrons to maintain safe distances from one another.
- Food service areas will adhere to the guidelines set forth by the CDC for restaurants and dining services.
- Concert seating has been spaced out and the VIP area has been increased with a reduced number of tickets being sold in the area. Meet-n-Greets have been cancelled. Food that is included in the VIP area has been changed to Grab n' Go.

The Clay County Agriculture Fair will differ from other venues in a variety of ways, including:

- It occurs outdoors and most of our activities are conducted outdoors. Our concerts are in a covered, opened air arena.
- Most of the fair's grounds entertainment for 2021 is outdoors.
- Fairgrounds dining will occur outside.
- Exposure time between non-same household sheltering family members is somewhat limited and is completely controllable by the fair's guests themselves.
- The fair's buildings include several fully enclosed exhibit halls with HVAC systems.
- Based on national fair data, nearly 90% of people who attend fairs are made up of families who live in the same home and thus do not need to be physically distanced from each other.
- The fair's guests freely move throughout the outdoor portion of the fairgrounds as opposed to sitting in a single location for an extended period.



Russ Kamradt, left, got the idea for Soles for Tots after working with the Toys for Tots program with the U.S. Marines. Kamradt has collected more than 40,000 pairs of shoes for needy local students.

Soles

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there's a particular need from early teens.

He said an effective tool to get involved has been requesting your church or your place of business get involved. That makes it a multi-person effort instead of just one person, which often ends with even more shoes being donated for students in the area. Those that want to get involved can contact Kamradt at russkamradt@hotmail.com or the Salvation Army, who Soles for Tots is working with, at jennifer.wheeler@uss.salvationarmy.org.

The idea for Soles for Tots came to Kamradt over a decade ago while he was living in Bombita, Dominican Republic. He was there to help a community affected by a recent hurricane and it was there that he realized many of the people there often walked barefoot on the area's harsh roads. He wanted to get shoes to them and so he wrote home and asked his church and others to gather up shoes for donation.

When Kamradt arrived home, there were more than 1,000 pairs of shoes waiting for him. Kamradt, a Marine, often worked with Toys for Tots and that's where the idea of Soles for Tots came from.

"What had happened was I put an article in the Clay Today and in return, the response was great and we collected so many shoes," Kamradt said. "I had more than enough shoes to take care of who I wanted to take care of and we donated the leftover shoes to other organizations. After the Dominican Republic, I went to local schools for Toys for Tots and a teacher recognized me from the paper.

"She told me that plenty of students in school need shoes too and so I went to Fleming Island Methodist Church to get a shoe drive started. We ended up collecting almost 5,000 pairs."

Now 40,000 shoes later, Kamradt says there are still students in need. He donates as many pairs as needed each year and leftover pairs go to other organizations and the homeless in Jacksonville. Even shoes deemed too used here go to places like Haiti and the people there take these shoes apart and sew them back together to create new shoes out of the old material.

"Not a single shoe ever goes to waste with Soles for Tots," Kamradt said. "We're looking for as much help as we can get this year. It's a great cause and everyone needs shoes."

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Cirque Italia's Aquatic Spectacular enjoys five-day run at OP Mall

By Bruce Hope
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ORANGE PARK – Braving downpours during much of its five-day run at the Orange Park Mall, fans from the First Coast enjoyed the Cirque Italia and its Aquatic Spectacular.

The circus, which closed Monday, performed for the third consecutive year at the mall. It is one of three circuses in the world to make a water stage part of their act and the only one of the three that travels. The other two are located in Dubai and Las Vegas. The water stage was initially brought over from Italy. It holds 35,000 gallons of water that were sprayed, drizzled and rained throughout different show portions. Meanwhile, the dancers, acrobats, jugglers and the rest of the on-stage contingent continued their show.

"I've been with Cirque Italia a couple of years now, since 2017," said Abbey Lawley, on-site media representative. "It's a wonderful, wonderful circus, and I really enjoy it."

Originally a professional dancer, she met her fiancée, who is a performer in the circus, and joined him.

Lawley says the feedback she has received from the fans of the show has been fantastic. "This year, we have a brand-new 2021 show, and the audience has loved it," she said. "It's so fun, energetic, lively, and it gets everyone in a very good mood. The acts are just fantastic. We have the wheel of death, we have jugglers, we have contortionists, we have so many fantastic acts, and the audience just loves to see them perform it, and ob-



The Aquatic Spectacular closed a successful five-day run at the Orange Park Mall.

viously we have our water stage, which gives a very unique experience."

The show typically runs for about two hours, with an intermission.

Children had their faces painted before the show and during intermission to add an extra bit of fun to the event. The regular spotlights mixed with laser lights in varying designs added to the show, sending the crowd into applause and cheers.

"It's [the Cirque Italia] great," said one first-time visitor to the show. "Great for the kids. It's something new."

Fans of all ages seemed to enjoy the performance. They also give positive feedback, according to Lawley.

"After every single show, there's always some families that come in and let us know how much they've enjoyed the show," she said. "Also, on Facebook, they always leave such fantastic reviews for us as well."



STAFF PHOTO BY BRUCE HOPE

Saturday's Superheroes Run featured superheroes, real and characters, in a benefit for the Grace Episcopal Day School.

Superheroes

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about once a month throughout the community. It's good to get out, breathe some fresh air, see other people." Dixon, like most people, has spent a lot of time in isolation over the last year, and this is one of his social events.

The faster runners took off, leaving the rest at a more measured pace. Many runners wore costumes featuring heroes such as Superman, Batman, Wonder Woman and Captain America, among others.

The 5K winner was Anne Centner of Tallahassee, who finished with a time of 16 minutes, 40 seconds.

"I just wanted to do a 5K time trial," said Centner. "I just did a marathon in December, so I'm trying to get my speed back. I'm going to do the Gate River Run, 15K next." Centner says that she attempts to come to Jacksonville at least once a season.

Benjamin Arnold, 18, of Jacksonville was the winner of the 8K. the University of Florida student finished with a time of a little more than 29 minutes.

"My parents were doing it [the 8K



run]," Arnold said. "This year with COVID and all, the club team isn't getting much races so I came out here. This is my first 8K. I started running in elementary school. That kind of got me into running. Then my dad started 5Ks and I was like, 'Hmmm.'"

Fleming Island resident Dan Lee also participated.

"It's healthy to get out and enjoy the air and get some exercise," he said. "And it's a good social activity to make friends."

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Teachers want more transparency, vaccines and protection during COVID-19 pandemic

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CLAY COUNTY – Teachers believe they are frontline workers.

There's no denying that, even if they don't fall under the official designation. They go to schools filled with hundreds of students each day, teach them in a way that attempts to resemble the normalcy pre-pandemic and they do so all while facing the possibility that COVID-19 could be in the same room as them. They aren't eligible for the COVID-19 vaccine, though, and they should, by all accounts, be eligible.

"No teacher I know of is doing this because they hate kids or they hate their job," a Clay County teacher who asked to remain anonymous said. "The perk of being a teacher is the job itself. This year has been especially hard from a state and local levels and for parents. But it's really hard for teachers. Teaching is a service to the community and students, and it's hard to continue doing this while not feeling valued. It's not just a metaphorical feeling of undervalue – it's literally your life that is undervalued."

Clay Today spoke with multiple teachers within the Clay County School District about what it's like teaching during a pandemic. National television news networks, Gov. Ron DeSantis, state and local legislators are talking about teachers. Everyone seems to be talking about teachers, but what do the teachers have to say?

They want the option to get the vaccine.

The school district doesn't have any real power in determining whether or not teachers are eligible for vaccines. That

decision lies solely with the state and DeSantis. The school district has sent a letter to the governor's office requesting he expand the definition of frontline workers to include all teachers. That decision hasn't been made by the governor, and it's unknown if he'll ever make that call.

One teacher said one of the most frustrating things about COVID-19 is the secrecy around it. They said before the pandemic, if a student had the flu, a fever, was throwing up or anything else, they could let the other students know and let parents know. It was the responsible thing to do, they said. Now, if there's anyone with even a single symptom of COVID-19, it's not to be discussed.

"We just can't talk about it now," one teacher said. "We've developed this internal code: if we say someone is out for two weeks, that's our way of saying it's COVID-19."

Official wording from the state level is that COVID-19 can't be discussed due to HIPAA violations, but that never came into play before the pandemic because there wasn't really any harm in warning others. Many teachers suspect the problem is the politicization around COVID-19.

The Clay County School District said it must comply with HIPAA "at all times." It says this law protects all private health information and that "all staff and students should adhere to this in regards to any health information, not just COVID-19," according to a statement from the district.

The teachers who spoke to Clay Today asked not to be identified.

One teacher said some of the more political side of the pandemic has spilled into



the classroom. They said one student told them they don't have to wear a mask because it's their right not to wear a mask, something often echoed by those that don't believe they need to wear a mask. The student didn't have a mask waiver, however, and ended up cussing the teacher out over their insistence that they wear a mask.

"I didn't write them up or anything because I know they're just repeating what they've heard at home," this teacher said. "It's sad really. I know there is a lot of politics involved with this...but it really shouldn't be (political). We just want to be as safe as possible so we can get back to what's important here: teaching."

The solution: let teachers that want to get the vaccine get the vaccine. Teachers 65 and older can get the vaccine, but other teachers are left behind and because of the care and compassion they have for their

students, they show up to work and risk it anyway.

After the Super Bowl earlier this month, a teacher recalled their student talking about a party they attended.

"I have to assume that this student was safe at the party, but I don't really know," they said. "I'm expected to teach anyway, but that thought, that what if, sticks in the back of your head, and it gets to you. That can affect your teaching."

All of the teachers said the mental stress surrounding COVID-19 has made teaching harder.

"When all of this started, the schools were really on top of everything with safety," one teacher said. "Much like in the real world, though, there's mask fatigue in the classrooms. It's not just the kids either, but some teachers as well. I've seen COVID-19 rip through school, and I've had colleagues and students out because of it."

The teacher said the local and state governments seem to be lagging behind in contact tracing as well. They said they've heard of COVID-positive people in the final days of quarantine receiving their first call for contract tracing.

"If they're just now getting around to that over a week later, who's to say how many people were exposed without knowing it? Those people that don't know they were exposed are then [possibly exposing others] ... and it's a cycle. I think people think that's a school issue and that it's our fault, but we can't talk about the tracing or COVID-19. That's a government issue," one teacher said.

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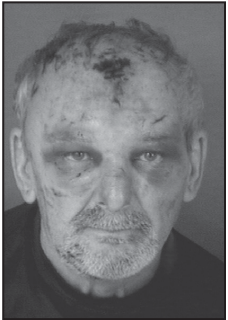


Police Briefs

Middleburg man charged with killing his brother

MIDDLEBURG – A 63-year-old man was arrested Sunday for shooting and killing his brother during an argument, the Clay County Sheriff’s Office said.

John Ward Gill, of Middleburg, was charged with second degree murder after CCSO deputies found his brother, Thomas Melvin Gill, in a back bedroom with a gunshot wound. Emergency workers pronounced the brother dead. John Gill was taken to Orange Park Medical Center with a “self-inflicted injuries that were not life-threatening” to his head and face, according to CCSO. He was released from the hospital and transported to the Clay County Jail, where he is being held without bond.



John Gill

Woman caught with drugs during routine traffic stop

ORANGE PARK – A passenger was arrested for possessing cocaine, fentanyl and marijuana during a routine traffic stop after a Clay County Sheriff’s Office deputy noticed the driver not wearing his seatbelt. Hannah Marie Zarzycki, 22, of St. Augustine, was arrested after the car was stopped on Park Avenue on Feb. 13. The deputy noticed what appeared to be a plastic bag with marijuana in the center console. A drug-sniffing dog, Ory, alerted deputies of the likely presence of illegal drugs. Cocaine and fentanyl were found in her purse, according to the arrest report.

The driver was issued a warning for not wearing a seatbelt, while Zarzycki was released after posting bond.



Crossing guard Mel Garrett turns 93

ARGYLE – World War II veteran Mel Garrett, a crossing guard stationed at Argyle Elementary, was greeted by members of the Clay County Sheriff’s Office Wednesday, Feb. 10, on his 93rd birthday. He was given balloons, a cupcake and a party hat. Garrett, who has been with CCSO for eight years, enlisted in the U.S. Army when he was 17 and was stationed in Japan at the end of World War II.

Arrests & Bookings

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

Tuesday, Feb. 16

- Lucas D. Weaver, 40, Fleming Island, DUI, resist/obstruct/oppose law enforcement
- Jakob C. Bryant, 19, Middleburg, DUI
- Garrett J. Longmire, 32, Middleburg, criminal mischief
- Brailyn T. Hall, 20, Green Cove Springs, FTA-larceny, FTA
- Malisa A. Alcorn, 47, Green Cove Springs, two counts VOP-community control
- Brandon D. Horne, 36, Orange Park, burglary, possession-burglary tools
- Joshua H. McClain, 39, Orange Park, VOP-community control
- Emma K. Hashtak, 18, Orange Park, retail petit theft
- Montavia D. Sullivan, 20, Green Cove Springs, FTA
- Tatiana D. Sager, 18, Orange Park, retail petit theft
- Jessica M. Proepper, 31, Orange Park, retail petit theft
- Frederick V. Thornton, 39, Orange Park, violation of pretrial condition of release for domestic violation
- Mercedes D. Blunt, 20, Orange Park, two counts retail petit theft
- Dyamond S. Johnson, 19, Orange Park, retail petit theft
- Jessica N. Looney, 33, Middleburg, wit of attachment (Highland)
- James B. Rycroft, 54, Green Cove Springs, petit theft-third offense

Monday, Feb. 15

- David C. Turner, 25, Orange Park, disorderly intoxication, resist/obstruct/oppose law enforcement
- Preeti Sethi, 36, Orange Park, DUI
- Aaron J. Stelly, 34, Orange Park, simple battery
- Brandy M. Vest, 23, Orange Park, FTA-domestic battery
- Deon A. Jerido, 19, Jacksonville, out of county warrant
- Brian A. Davis, 45, Green Cove Springs, FTA
- Eulas, C. Bryant, 66, Green Cove Springs, improper exhibition of firearm/dangerous weapon
- John W. Gill, 63, Middleburg, murder
- Jon R. Perkins, 32, Middleburg, DWLSR
- Clifford B. Elrod, 82, Fleming Island, domestic battery
- Barend M. Watkins, 52, Fleming Island, simple domestic battery, resist/obstruct/oppose law enforcement

Sunday, Feb. 14

- Paul E. Kaylor, 42, Orange Park, two counts violation of injunction
- Cameron C. Schaeffer, 35, Fleming Island, DUI
- Austin J.L. Tomlinson, 20, Middleburg, simple battery
- Caleb M. Koessler, 27, Middleburg, simple domestic battery
- Taunya R. Vise, 56, Fleming Island, simple battery
- Lindasha D. Davis, 24, Orange Park, burglary
- Christopher A. Tomlinson, 23, Orange Park, possession-controlled substance
- Matthew C. Mentz, 21, Fleming Island, possession-marijuana

Saturday, Feb. 13

- Willie O.M. Campbell, 19, Orange Park, burglary to auto, loitering/prowling
- Lesajo D. Crosby, 32, Orange Park, possession-Xanax, DWLSR habitual offender
- Todd W. Powers, 34, Orange Park, grand theft
- Benny L. Morris, 29, Orange Park, simple battery
- Woodrow C. Moore, 35, Middleburg, domestic battery
- Hannah M. Zarzycki, 22, Orange Park, possession-fentanyl, possession-cocaine, possession-marijuana
- Benjamin R. Williams, 23, Maxville, DUI with property damage
- Julio C. Figueroa, 46, Orange Park, non-support
- Jules Urmanec, 41, Middleburg, simple battery
- Rashaya Leavy, 25, Orange Park, possession-molly/ecstasy, possession-marijuana
- Lisa A. Lentile, 48, Middleburg, DUI

Friday, Feb. 12

- Charles M. Mowry, 40, Orange Park, grand theft auto
- Nicholas R. Lutgens, 25, Fleming Island, battery on a law enforcement officer/fire-fighter/EMT
- Kellee L. Castillo, 38, Orange Park, simple domestic battery
- Bryant J. Stewart, 59, Green Cove Springs, VOP-petit theft
- Michael R. Green, 27, Fleming Island, retail theft
- Otis J. Simpson, 31, Orange Park, grand theft auto, possession-ammo/firearm by convicted felon
- Robert D. Taylor, 58, Keystone Heights, out of county warrant
- Aundray D. Wimberly, 28, Orange Park, simple battery
- Jason B. Belvett, 48, Keystone Heights, felony domestic battery by strangulation, tampering with witness to hinder/delay/prevent communication

- Stacy L. Neal, 42, Lawtey, possession-Xanax
- Robert D. Taylor, 58, Green Cove Springs, possession-controlled substance, introduce/remove contraband into jail
- Daniel J. Mack, 48, Orange Park, non-support
- Divina M. Ledwith, 51, Fleming Island, FTA

Thursday, Feb. 11

- Ellen T. Barnhardt, 32, Middleburg, VOP-community control
- Chadwick H. Richardson, 32, Keystone Heights, DWLSR
- Destini N. Cooper, 19, Orange Park, retail petit theft
- Daymeon A. Scheider, 28, Orange Park, retail petit theft
- Christopher D. Rosier, 37, Middleburg, FTA
- Ashley N. Lewandowski, 31, Orange Park, retail petit theft
- David R. Stimson, 39, Green Cove Springs, contempt of court
- Shawn Z. Akers, 46, Keystone Heights, petit theft, criminal mischief, trespassing, aggravated domestic battery with a deadly weapon
- Esperance Dupont, 44, Orange Park, simple domestic battery

Wednesday, Feb. 10

- Keenan T. Carter, 38, Fleming Island, possession-marijuana, possession/use-drug paraphernalia
- Jeffrey R. Hyatt, 31, Orange Park, tampering/fabricating to alter/destroy, conceal physical evidence
- Edward L. Plummer, 39, Fleming Island, grand theft auto
- Jenna M. Godreau, 34, Middleburg, request refund with false receipt
- Ana C. Quinones, 37, Middleburg, DUI
- Auggie Solis, 27, Middleburg, VOP-community control



Clay Humane’s responsible pet owner contest winner earns billboard-size recognition

ORANGE PARK — Clay Humane’s 21st Annual Responsible Pet Owners poster contest winner, Alayna Godwin, has had her poster turned into a billboard located at Blairmore and Blanding boulevards.

“More than ever before, Clay Humane feels the need to encourage empathy and promote understanding, compassion and respect for people, animals and the environment,” explains Senior Staff Veterinarian Dr. Christian Broadhurst.

On Jan. 29, with the help of Clay County Public School teachers, Clay Humane Society held its Responsible Pet Owners poster contest. Participating fifth grade classes designed posters on the significance of spaying and neutering to prevent pet overpopulation. Each school chose three posters to represent their classes and a panel of judges decided the top three overall county winners.

Alayna Godwin, a student at Coppergate Elementary won the 2021 contest. Godwin received a winning package of four tickets to Wild Adventures and a \$100 cash prize.

Deacon the SuperDog, Coopergate Principal Melissa Metz, first-place winner Alayna Godwin and Coopergate art teacher Francesca Weeks.

Separate the truths from the myths about leading a heart-healthy life

By Dr. Chetan Hampole
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FLEMING ISLAND — Since February is National Heart Month, it’s important for everyone to separate the truths from the myths about leading a heart-healthy life.

This week and next, we will explain some of the facts about atria fibrillation, as well as the benefits of adding a baby aspirin, red wine, vitamins and supplements to your diet.

Atrial fibrillation is an irregular heart and often rapid heart rate that occurs when the two upper chambers of the heart beat out of coordination with the lower chambers. It’s often triggered by a chaotic electrical signal.



Cheatan Hampole

The truths part of it is, it is the most-common arrhythmia that people have. It can run in the family, but not always necessarily.

For most people, there is a substantial risk enough of forming a blood clot in the heart, which can ultimately leave the heart and cause complications, stroke being the most-common one. Those people need to be on a strong blood thinner — something stronger than aspirin. Common ones nowadays are drugs like Xarelto, Eliquis, Pradaxa, and we still use Warfarin, although less so now.

There are a lot of things that provoke exacerbation of atrial fibrillation. Common ones are things like over stimulation of the diet, so caffeine, alcohol and certain medicines can do it. Amphetamines, stimulating medicines, caffeinated medicines, agonists like Albuterol that people take of asthma or COPD. People in this part of the country, people who are in high-heat index’ people outside working or enjoying

As far as myths, people don’t notice the symptoms that they have atrial fibrillation, which is not true. Atrial fibrillation is asymptomatic. People tend to be more symptomatic notice it if their heart rates are out of control, well above 100 beats per minute. People can live in rate control atrial fibrillation, somewhere between 60 and 100, not be symptomatic, so they don’t notice any palpitations or limitations. But they can still have atrial fibrillation.

the day. They’re sweating. They having a lot of electrolytes shifts. That can provoke it. People have hyperactive thyroids, blood sugar problems, anemias. There are a lot of things that can provoke a-fib, so people have to do an excellent job of controlling all of those modifiable risk factors — and also controlling their lifestyle.

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Another common myth is if they had atrial fibrillation in the past, it went away and they don’t necessarily need to be on a blood thinner. They’re not noticing symptoms. Again, that’s not true. People can have recurrence of atrial fibrillation and not be aware of it.

Next week, the truths and myths about baby aspirins, red wine, vitamins and supplements and whether they provide a benefit to your heart.

Green Cove Springs City Council considering \$10 month security lighting service

By Bruce Hope
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GREEN COVE SPRINGS — The Green Cove Springs City Council presented the second reading on an ordinance that will add new definitions, revise definitions for lot widths and setbacks and establish flag lot requirements. The amendments were initially proposed last November by city Planning and Zoning director Mike Daniels, and it was approved, 5-0.

The council also agreed to recommend a \$10 a month option to restart service for security lights with the \$10 monthly payment option at the March 2 meeting. The council heard a proposal from Connie Gladding, President of the Green Cove Springs Gardening Club, that the city become a Monarch City USA in addition to being a Tree City USA. A Monarch City supports the current and future population of the monarch butterfly. The council also learned

there have been 33 residents who’ve applied to be on the Citizen’s Advisory Committee. They will receive acceptance letters to begin the process of becoming members.

Three items were pulled from the consent agenda for discussion.

The first was the purchase of a concrete restroom building for the Augusta Savage Friendship Park. The purchase includes a cost of \$79,129. The project was originally submitted as a part of the list of CARES Act projects in October 2020. The building will house one male and one female restroom stall.

The second item involved at bid for GIS Design consultant to develop a comprehensive online mapping system. After five bids were entered, a selection committee ranked them and selected Geographic Technologies Group.

The third item was a handicap playground to be built in Spring Park, for the amount of \$133,376 or less. It would be for children 5-12, and will contain comfortable playground equipment for the disabled.

All three items pass with a five to zero vote by the council.

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four to six weeks, Campbell said. She said she anticipates construction starting right around April 1.

Official documentation of the playground blueprint reveals that the capacity is roughly 450 people and that it’s designed for ages 2 to 12. It will have a perimeter of 643 feet and a total area of 20,015 square feet. The playground will have 36 “total elevated play activities” and 25-plus “total ground-level play activities.”

It’s 25-plus presumably because ground-level activities could theoretically be infinite depending on what children decide to do on the ground. Eighteen “accessible elevated activities” are required and this playground will have 36. Twelve “accessible ground-level activities” are

required and the park will have 25-plus and on that same note, it’s required that there be five “accessible ground-level play types” and this new playground will have seven.

A look at the playground reveals a “Welcome to Clarke House Park Playground” sign in the town’s signature green and orange color scheme that can be seen elsewhere around Orange Park and an assortment of classic playground activities and new ones.

The playground renders feature a large row of swings, lots of spinning devices, multiple slides and perhaps most importantly for Florida, lots of shade. It doesn’t currently feature any trees, something many on Facebook requested when the survey was posted back in January.

The town hasn’t said when it expects to part to open.

Mackeys

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rouler Tuesday at Mackey's Munchies.

Much like the carnival held on Fat Tuesday every year in Louisiana, the restaurant that specializes in New Orleans Cajun and Creole cuisine held a scaled-down Mardi Gras celebration that still spilled out onto the sidewalk and alley at the Ridgecrest Plaza. But behind the colorful face coverings and shiny beads, everyone was finding their own ways to let the good times roll.

The interior of the restaurant was reconfigured into sections to resemble parade floats, all decorated in festive colors of the annual bacchanalia.

The floats came with their own storylines, including a display dedicated to activist Ruby Bridges, the first Black child to desegregate to the all-white William Frantz Elementary in New Orleans in 1960.

"She got through it by thinking every day was Mardi Gras," owner Brandye Mackey said.

Despite protocols, including the mandatory use of face coverings, more than 200 came to the party in Orange Park.

"We can still have a good time," Mackey said. "If we can give somebody a good experience, then it's a good thing."

"We were really popping," Mackey said. "We had 22 more people here this year than last year [before the COVID-19 shutdown] when it rained. That may not seem like a lot, but given what we're going through, we're happy. It was a long and beautiful day. My heart is overwhelmed with joy."

Mackey's sold 60 tickets be part of the Taste of Gumbo promotion. The uptick in business also meant the Mackey's ran out



Brandye and Brian Mackey greeted customers in their Mardi Gras attire, while the outside of their Mackey's Munchies on Blanding Bouvelard was decorated to celebrate the annual Carnival.



of beignet dough.

Carnival dates back to 1852 when Pope Gregory XIII made it an official holiday. It was a way to celebrate during Lent. Mardi Gras means "Fat Tuesday," and it's always recognized the day before Ash Wednesday.

This year's Carnival was canceled in New Orleans. If fact, police and barricades out-numbered tourists and partiers on Bourbon Street.

While the party continued at Mackey's, it was smaller than before 2020.

At Mackey's, where they don't seem to need a reason to happy, visitors enjoyed the tastes of The Big Easy. Revelers not only enjoyed A Taste of Gumbo and beignets, they ate jambalaya, PoBoys and, of course, King Cakes, they partied to live music and shopped in a makeshift vendor alley called Canal Street.

"We just wanted to show the community some love," Mackey said. "We wanted to give out of our hearts. Hopefully people will pay it forward."

By the way, laissez les bons temps rouler (pronounced lay-say le bon tom roo-lay) is Cajun French for "Let the good times roll."

And that's exactly what they did at Mackey's Munchies.

A photograph of a group of people standing in front of a large sign that says 'Capiro's Café'. They are all smiling and holding a red ribbon, suggesting a ribbon-cutting ceremony. The group includes several women and one man, all dressed in casual attire.

Capiro's Café opens new restaurant in Middleburg

From left: President Middleburg Civic Association President Paul Cloud, joined Angela Brown, Kim Flinn, Nancy Brown, Brittany Seeraj, Heather Babbie, Amanda Pollard and Vincent DeCrosta of Capiro's Café and and Cathy Martin and Jessica Skapetis of MCA during a ribbon cutting last Friday, Feb. 12, at Capiro's Café's new location in the Grande Olde Plaza at 2710 Blanding Blvd., Middleburg. The family-owned café serves breakfast and lunch with daily specials.

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Teachers

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what's supposed to be happening with contact tracing. According to the school district, the Clay County office of the state's Department of Health follows CDC guidelines regarding contact tracing and traces potentially exposed individuals within 48 hours of the cases' symptom onset or positive test date.

"The DOH-Clay conducts all notification and contract tracing regarding COVID-19 cases within our school district, as they do for all communicable diseases," a statement from the school district reads. "When the Department of Health receives confirmation as their state database system of a positive student case, then the contact tracing begins immediately and parents of exposed individuals are contacted via the parents/guardian's phone or email address that is listed in FOCUS."

"As a school district, we ask parents to ensure that their email address in FOCUS is accurate and updated as this is the fastest way to provide parents with the notice from the DOH-Clay."

One teacher described the past few months of teaching as something out of Alice in Wonderland. "I sort of feel like we're living down in a rabbit hole or in the Land of Oz," they said. "As a teacher in this state, I believe and feel like nobody is really even addressing that we're in the middle of a global pandemic. There are provisions in place and everyone's talking about COVID-19, but it all feels like a big show. Everyone's talking seriously about it, but nobody is actually taking it seriously."

The teacher said teachers, administrators and students at their school are taking it seriously. They might have a mask on, but it's around their chin or their nose is sticking out.

Those not properly wearing their masks are seemingly in conflict with official district wording, which says that its policy for face coverings and masks remains in place from the beginning of the school year and that it "includes mandatory face coverings for grades 3-12 and for all staff when social distancing is not possible."

"Administrator, teachers and staff have done a wonderful job coaching students on the importance of face coverings and reminding them to wear them properly," the district said. "As in any positive behavior coaching, this is a daily practice."

There is social distancing, but it's only "when possible," which due to classroom size is not often because distancing an overcrowded classroom six feet apart in a small portable is impossible.

The school cafeteria practiced social distancing at first, but this teacher said enough parents complained that their students felt isolated that the school eased up on those restrictions at lunch.

The school district told Clay Today that it is "continually making best efforts to social distance as much as possible."

"With 90% of the student population back in brick and mortar as of the second school semester, this is difficult to achieve at the highest degree in some facilities, especially older schools with smaller cafeterias; however, administrators have continued to be innovative in how classrooms and facilities are structured to provide as much social distancing as possible," a school dis-

trict statement reads.

Many teachers recognized that the school district's hands are tied in a way, but this is why the option to get the vaccine is important. To the district's credit, the school board voted during their first meeting of the month to send a letter to DeSantis urging him to allow all teachers to get the vaccine if they want.

"All I want to do is be protected," they said. "We're not asking to go to the moon and back. We're asking for safety measures that work and the option to get vaccinated. Us teachers are told by everyone how critical our jobs are right now. Parents want us in school so their kids can be back in school. The entire country is talking for us, but nobody is meeting us even close to the middle."

"Show us some good faith. Nobody is being properly protected right now and every day is a gamble."

Another teacher said in junior and high schools, teachers aren't with a single class all day and instead see a different set of students each period. This means their chances of coming into contact with someone that has the virus is even higher. On that same note, resource teachers see even more students throughout each day be it for physical education, music, the library or something else. Some teachers aren't happy that they only get 14 days of federal leave if they test positive for the virus. That covers the first bout with COVID-19, but if a teacher tests positive again, they're no longer eligible for federal leave and must use their own sick and personal days.

Here's what the school district had to say when asked about sick employee leave: "Leave is provided from the Families First Coronavirus Response Act that expired on December 31, 2020. The District and the School Board has offered to extend this paid leave for our employees that have either tested positive or were directed by the Department of Health or a medical professional to quarantine due to a prolonged exposure to a confirmed positive case."

"The maximum number of days for the leave is eight business days for the 2020-2021 school year. Additionally, the District offers Caregiver Sick Leave, so if an employee has a child that has to quarantine due to exposure and cannot be home by themselves, they do not have to use their own leave for this, but can apply for Caregiver Sick Leave."

One teacher explained how they view families as octopuses. The family is the head but each family member has an arm of people they see and now all of a sudden, an octopus isn't just a family of four – it's a family of four that's in contact with dozens of others. "We hope that all of those people are being safe, but take a trip to any store and you'll see how seriously, or not seriously, people are taking this," one said. "Have you been to a grocery store? I see plenty of people, parents of my students even, shopping around without a mask on. When you don't feel safe, how are you going to be an effective teacher? We don't feel safe and the vaccine would go a long way in helping if it was even an option for us."



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By Pastor Billy Register
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God is not a God of the Past

Throughout our lives we undergo many changes and live through different seasons. We face struggles and experience victories. With the challenges of COVID-19, and other recent societal challenges, we may be tempted to dwell on everything that has taken place in the past.

The pandemic disrupted many of our plans. It is tempting to look back with regret or even angst. However, as we look forward into 2021, we should not over-think things or be hard on ourselves for things that did or didn't happen.

As people of faith, we are encouraged to look forward and not behind. This is good practice as God is not a God of the past. God is the God of your present and future and your future begins today.

Jeremiah 29:11 says, "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

God wants you to look forward and focus your thoughts and attention on His promises for your future. Resist thoughts of regrets of the past that may keep you from moving forward in your life. Make every effort to shift your perspective and thoughts toward the things of God.

"You will keep in perfect peace all who trust in you, all whose thoughts are fixed on you!" Isaiah 26:3 (NLT)

As you set your mind on the things of God, your perspective and even attitudes will change. People may remind you of the past, but God will not. As we follow the instructions for Christian living found in the Gospels and New Testament, we will naturally begin to look forward, not behind.

The Apostle Paul spoke of this in Philippians 3:13-14; "But I focus on one thing: Forgetting the past and looking forward to what lies ahead, 14 I press on to reach the end of the race and receive the heavenly prize for which God, through Christ Jesus, is calling us."

God is still writing your story. Look forward as He helps you become all He has called you to be.



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Wolfson Children's Challenge: Virtual Edition

For Clay Today

JACKSONVILLE — Hundreds of families and supporters nationwide participated in the 12th annual Wolfson Children's Challenge: Virtual Edition, celebrating former patients of Wolfson Children's Hospital of Jacksonville and raising funds for lifesaving care. Wolfson Children's is the region's only not-for-profit children's hospital, serving children of all ages. No child is ever turned away due to inability to pay.

Children and families of all ages, fitness levels and abilities participated in the month-long challenge via the Wolfson55 mobile app. The innovative event experience allowed users access to virtual challenges, features to monitor their physical activity, tools to track individual and team fundraising progress, and a virtual closing ceremony celebration. While the races were not timed this year, fitness-minded participants had the opportunity to log their miles and minutes for the various activity challenges.

The event's inclusive and accessible activity challenges included a 20K individual walk/run and a 200K team walk/run.

Almost 400 children and families from across 15 states participated in this year's challenge, logging 1,532.83 kilometers of physical activity on the Wolfson55 app in January. Together, participants and supporters raised more than \$96,000 to help fund the purchase of life-saving trauma equipment and technology for our most critical patients at Wolfson Children's.

The Wolfson Children's Challenge honors 55 children each year, representing the wide range of services Wolfson Children's Hospital offers to children of North Florida, South Georgia and beyond. One of the 55 children is Mya Simmons from Oakleaf. When her mother, Miriam, gave birth to Mya in October 2018, she already knew from ultrasounds that her baby had a fight ahead. At 30 weeks pregnant, Simmons learned her unborn baby had a mass on her brain, which later turned out to be hemimegalencephaly, a disorder that causes one half of the brain to be larger than the other. This serious condition leads to seizures. Almost immediately after Mya entered this world, she started seizing. She was transported via Kids Kare Mobile ICU to the high-level Neonatal Intensive Care Unit at Wolfson Children's, where she remained for several weeks. Unfortunately, Mya continued having seizures once she went home.

During a follow-up visit at Wolfson Children's, it was also determined that Mya had a second neurosurgical condition called craniosynostosis, the premature fusion of one or more of the sutures (growth plates) in the skull. This occurs in about three of every 10,000 live births worldwide. Mya had two brain surgeries in one day.

At just 6 months old, Mya underwent a more-than-13-hour surgery at Wolfson Children's Hospital for both of her conditions.

"They were wheeling her away and her



Mya Simmons

little body didn't even take up half the bed," Miriam Simmons said. "I'll always remember how she just looked so little."

First, pediatric neurosurgeon Nathan Ranalli, MD, medical director of Wolfson Children's Craniofacial, Spasticity and Brachial Plexus Programs, performed surgery for craniosynostosis. This involved removing the bone at the top of the skull where the growth plate had prematurely closed. Immediately after, his colleague, pediatric neurosurgeon Alexandra Beier, DO, medical director of Wolfson Children's Pediatric Epilepsy Program, performed surgery to address Mya's seizures.

"Each year, the Wolfson Children's Challenge brings together hundreds of supporters to help turn miles into miracles for our children who need it most," said Michael D. Aubin, FACHE, president of Wolfson Children's Hospital. "Despite being virtual in order to keep everyone safe, this year's challenge was just as powerful, even though individuals and families supported us from a distance. We are grateful for the generosity of our region and everyone who participated, as it ensures we can continue providing the best care for our children for years to come." To date, the Wolfson Children's Challenge has raised more than \$4 million for the Wolfson Children's Challenge Endowment, helping fund the purchase of life-saving equipment and technology for our patients who need it most. This year, the endowment will focus on the development of an MIBG therapy room on the oncology floor of Wolfson Children's Hospital. As the first of its kind in Florida, the new room will give Wolfson Children's the ability to offer the newest upfront treatment for children with high-risk neuroblastoma, the most common solid tumor of childhood cancer.

MIBG therapy is a form of radiation therapy that must be administered to pediatric patients in a special room designed to protect staff, patients and families in surrounding rooms from radiation. During the treatment, patients must be kept isolated in the specialized room for three to seven days to prevent radiation exposure to other patients and staff. The Wolfson Children's Hospital room that is being converted for this purpose already has a separate, adjoining living space to accommodate parents and families. Voice and video communication equipment will be installed in the rooms, allowing families and patients to remain connected.

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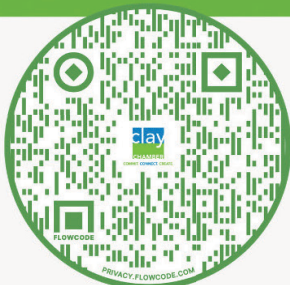


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Oakleaf High girls weightlifting coach Ben White gives a big smile to his latest state champion, 110 pounder Tamira Briley, who won the Class 3A title Saturday in St. Cloud. Briley also set a state record for the bench press.

STATE WEIGHTLIFTING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Briley wins weightlifting title in dominant fashion

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

ST. CLOUD - With a state record bench press, Oakleaf High senior Tamira Briley fulfilled the chatter about her running the table about district, region and state champion with a 15 pound win for the Class 3A 110-pound championship at the FHSAA championship weekend in Kissimmee and Live Oak.

"Having lifted 180 during the season, I kind of felt the pressure of having to have a big lift at the state meet," said Briley, who now returns to the track for Oakleaf High

School as a sprinter. "Me and coach (Ben White) knew we had to bench press enough to make the girl from Vero Beach (runnerup Sarah Esworth) have to attempt a clean and jerk 30-40 pounds above her best."

Briley, who had lifted 180 on the bench press during the season, which was a regular season best, cleared 175 on Saturday to lift the playoff record of 170 and give herself a 40 pound lead into the clean and jerk.

"She dominated," said White. "Our

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Oakleaf High guard Fantasia James puts defensive pressure on Lake Mary guard Jayla Woods in Lady Knights 66-63 win in their region 1-7A quarterfinal game on Thursday. Lady Knights advance to play at Spruce Creek High (18-5) on Thurs., Feb. 18.

Oakleaf's Scott 36 rattles Lake Mary's quick start

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

OAKLEAF - Someone in Lake Mary High's basketball entourage forgot to tell them Oakleaf was the team that was supposed to rattle off a set of three pointers and break opponent wills with scoring runs like 17-7 in the breadth of the first quarter.

"They play a very competitive schedule in that Orlando area and they came to play," said Oakleaf coach Fred Cole. "We settled down, took a breath and played our game. We didn't think they were going to be a pushover and they challenged us."

Their game turned into a 34 point explosion from sophomore shooter Taliah Scott, who netted just one jumper in that eye-opening first quarter, en route to a 66-63 region 1-7A quarterfinal win on Thurs., Feb. 11. Scott hit six three-pointers.

Oakleaf (22-2) next travels to Spruce Creek High School on Tues., Feb. 16 for the region semifinal with Spruce Creek (18-5) beating Nease 67-63 in their region opener. Spruce Creek is led by their own trio of shooters with three players; two seniors and a sophomore all averaging over 10 points.

On the opposite end of the bracket, Timber Creek (16-5) hosts Colonial (16-9).

Scott, who was accepting the shootout challenged issued by Lake Mary's own supersophomore, Jordan Boddie, who had 11 of the first 17 points for Lake Mary's first quarter.

"Coach told us really to focus on our defense more because that produced the breakaways and layups," said Scott. "Hav-

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SPARTAN SOCCER GOES 2-2

#DOE: Decade of Excellence

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

ORANGE PARK - In a unique doubleheader of playoff soccer, the St. Johns Country Day School boys and girls soccer teams both won district championship games on their home turf to continue seasons into region playoff rounds.

For the girls, the Lady Spartans blasted an 8-0 win over St. Joseph Academy with the game stopped near the 25 minutes to go mark while the boys got fast goals from Max Arnold and Matthew Stratton to surge to a 4-1 win over St. Joseph Academy for their district 3-2A title.

The Lady Spartan domination was the first step to a hashtag motivation for coach Mike Pickett who is aiming for a 10th straight state title.

“That’s our hashtag; #DOE, Decade of Excellence, since day one,” said Pickett. “And this season has made that goal very challenging with everything that has happened.”

For the girls, now 13-0, a three goal performance by Mia Sadler led the Lady Spartans with Julia Boaventura landing two goals and one each for Natalie Wilson, Bella Pontieri and Kamryn Towers to thump the Flashes. St. Johns dispatched of University Christian with also an 8-0 win to advance with St. Joseph beating Christ’s Church 5-0.

Against University Christian, goals came from Ava Morin with two, and one each for Boaventura, Pontieri, Sophia Pontiere, Kiera Moisan, Towers and Lauren Mateo as Pickett was able to use a plethora of young talent in the lopsided victory.

“We saw a lot of younger kids out there which is good for the program,” said Pickett. “The young kids are stepping in and the level doesn’t drop.”

For Mike Pickett, the St. Johns coach

attempting a new record 10th straight state title in Classes 1A and 2A, the shortened season has been mainly a “digital” obstacle for his staff. The win was the 18th district title for Pickett.

“When we came out of our break for COVID (three weeks), we were grateful to be out here,” said Pickett, who himself had a spat with the dreaded disease. “We were doing everything they asked with masks and distancing. Somewhere along the line, I picked it up. Who know where I got it.”

Pickett strategy during his prolonged hiatus was challenging to say the least.

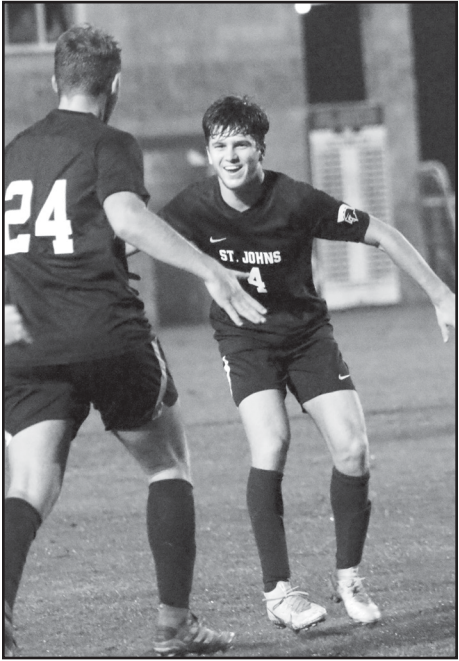
“It was quite a challenge with doing zoom meetings and workouts via computer and phone calls, but the seniors on the team kept the rope tight and kept the focus,” said Pickett. “There was five day period that I did not think any about soccer because I was fighting for my life just to breathe. I know what shortness of breath is now.”

In the district tournament, Pickett noted the fast starts for his girls and the patient but quick attacks.

“That first period against St. Joseph was clinical; one of the best I’ve ever seen in high school soccer,” said Pickett. “We’ve changed the system a bit after the holiday and COVID. We had a system that I had for 15 year, but it just wasn’t working with this group and I’m not revealing the new changes here. This team has done a lot of classwork and video work; during lunch and at home.”

Nonetheless, new system or not, the Lady Spartans enter the region playoff arena with a less than normal regular season minus a dozen or so games against high-powered teams to battle ready the squad.

“When we had Abbey Newton and Carson Pickett back when, we were thinking a national title was available and we did it,”



The St. Johns Country Day School soccer teams; boys and girls, both won district titles on Friday with the boys, with a goal from Max Arnold, left, and the boys, with three goals from Mia Sadler both facing Bishop McLaughlin Catholic in their region openers; Boys Tuesday, Girls



said Pickett. “This team needed a new jolt. They did homework and I sent position by position directions to each player. At first, I thought we had made a big mistake, but we still gutted out a 2-1 win over a really tough Fletcher team, then Creekside.”

Without the firepower of playing the likes of Monteverde, Bishop Moore, Bishop Kenny and the likes, Pickett noted his 2021 strength of schedule is vastly diminished.

“We didn’t lose just eight games, but we lost eight big games,” said Pickett. “At the national push, you got to have those games to compete. We are geared for the state title and then rankings will go where they go.”

For Jimmy Merritt, the four year coach for the boys team with a tradition of deep region runs, three district titles in a row, the 2021 team has a higher level of one ingredient.

“It’s nice to have speed on the field,” said Merritt, who pointed to a newcomer as infusing that sense of speed-oriented

attacks. “Max Arnold came back to soccer after not playing for a long time and his athleticism and speed has added another element to our attack. He’s just a natural athlete and the rest of the team has taken well to his putting up front pressure on opposing teams setting up.”

Against St. Joseph, Arnold played a pressuring front forward that made the goalie out kicks precarious for the Flashes who had to uptick where and how fast they were able to start their advances.

“Off the ball, we are really athletic and fast and now this team has been together for about six years and that counts for a lot,” said Merritt. “Dru (Detlefsen) as point guard is a tremendous starting point because he is so smart at the top of the formation.”

Detlefsen, who punched in key assists to the four Spartan goals, got a header corner pass to Arnold to open the scoring

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Keystone Heights

Keystone Heights High’s girls soccer team got to face the number one seed and unbeaten P.K. Yonge (14-0-2) in the district 3-4A championship and fell 6-0. Keystone Heights (12-7-1), led by 36 season goals from Kierstyn Shaw, left, will travel to face Bolles (8-6-1) in the region 1-4A quarterfinals on Tues., Feb. 16. On right is goalie Aspen Krohn trying to defend against P.K. Yonge breakaway.



Fleming Island

Fleming Island High’s girls soccer will host Lake Howell on Tues., Feb. 16 in the region 1-6A quarterfinals after a 3-0 district championship win over Creekside. Pictured are defender Maya Dawson, No. 16, and goalie McKenzie “Captain” Kirk of the Starship Enterprise. Fleming Island is 15-2-1. Lake Howell is 6-9.

Fast start by Fletcher dooms Eagles, 60-50

By Ray DiMonda
Correspondent

JACKSONVILLE BEACH - Fleming Island High basketball's route to the Final Four a couple years ago started with a loss in the district championship game, so Friday's 60-50 loss to Fletcher in the district 3-6A championship game may be a prelude to a strong finish.

"We didn't come ready to play tonight" said Fleming Island Head Coach Traavis Chandler.

Just 38 days ago, Fleming Island beat Fletcher by two points in a nailbiter and that may have singed the Senator bench a bit as Fletcher rifled to a 13-0 opening run in the first quarter before Blake Robinson and Ahman Greenidge scored buckets to get the game to 13-4.

"I hope we learn from this," said Chandler. "We just have to do a better job of preparing... One thing I can say is two years ago we lost the District title and then went on to the Final Four, so we're not too worried about it. We just want to prepare and get back."

After getting rocked in the first quarter, Chandler used some time outs and swapped some players to get some synergy going, and it worked.

On the court, Fletcher threw the ball out of bounds twice in the last two minutes before half, as the Golden Eagles tightened their defense. As the teams hit the lockers, Fletcher still led, but now we had a game, 26-21.

The third quarter saw Antoine Sandy help his team with a pair of free throws, then used a Quantavion Little steal and pass back to Sandy to close the gap to four, 34-30. Blake Robinson played the bandit with a steal, lay-up for two, and drew a foul to get the score to 38-33, then a pair of free throws with 1:35 left to bring it to 38-37. At the end of three, the intensity ratcheted up, 42-39.

"They just have to focus and knock down shots," said Chandler.

In the fourth, it was showing the Golden Eagles were running out of gas. Shots were bouncing off the backboard, nowhere near the rim. Free throws hit the front of the rim and bounced away, recovered by the Senators, and cashed in for points.

"We had guys just throwing shots up instead of shooting shots and that's a difference," commented Chandler.

Fleming Island drew within one again, 42-41 with 7:08 to play.

With a Senator 3-pointer to open it up 45-41, the fall began. The Senators drew energy from the crowd that Chandler tried breaking with time outs. The Golden Eagle battery low light would not shut off and the Senators pushed harder, 53-44 with 2:53 to play. Fleming Island needed points and tried all they could from the outside, but



CORRESPONDENT PHOTO BY RAY DIMONDA
Fleming Island forward Ahman Greenidge goes up strong for bucket against Fletcher in district championship loss.

only hit three 3-pointers all night.

"Part of this is confidence. They have to get extra shots in after practice. We know who comes early and leaves late. If you believe you will make it, you will. Confidence-confidence," said Chandler.

The rebounds off the 3-attempts were won by Fletcher, who cashed it in on the other end.

At 57-48, with 1:05 left to play, Chandler pulled the trigger on intentional fouls to regain possession, but on the night Fletcher went 65 percent from the line, 9 of 15 in the fourth quarter alone, adding to their lead, 58-48 with :42 left, then 60-50 with :27 seconds left. Knowing 10 points were too much to regain after the throw in, the Senators spread out, passed around and closed out the game.

"Fletcher earned this tonight," said Chandler. "They deserve it. We have a lot of first year Varsity players, so we will just learn from this and be ready."

Fleming Island will have to travel Thursday night and face Forest High in Ocala as they will need to claw their way back in and put the issues in the rear view.



Oakleaf High's Markel Allums battles for ball against Bartram Trail center Alijah Kuehl in Knights loss in district championship.

Knights take rough road to district final

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

BARTRAM TRAIL - Oakleaf High basketball took the rough road to the district final with a dominating win over top-seed Nease High, but let a late lead fall in the final; a 41-39 loss to second seed Bartram Trail in Friday's championship game at Bartram Trail High School.

"We had a good defensive plan and we executed it pretty good; their center (6'-10" Alijah Kuehl) averaged 18 points per game and we held him to 11," said Oakleaf coach Jason Price. "Our issues tonight were on offense; six of 20 from the three point line. We did not shoot the ball particularly well tonight."

After ramping up an early first quarter lead, 10-7, the low scoring contest was going to depend on defense and opportunistic offense, said Price.

With the second quarter opening to a Corey Humbles three pointer from a corner, Oakleaf kept the pressure on defensively though the halftime lead was 16-14. Oakleaf missed three three point attempts in the stanza while Bartram Trail hit the buzzer beater, though after the buzzer, the stage was set for a wild second half as the Bears sensed momentum.

"Even with the miss, they ran into the locker room fired up," said Price. "We had a sense of letting the game get away after the strong first quarter. That halfcourt shot at the end is one that we should always take. We kind of ran through the stop signs instead of being patient and taking solid shots."

Bartram Trail used the energy of the halftime shot to fuel a third quarter game shifter with guard Justin Navin stealing and feeding Kuehl on a breakaway that rocked the Knights' defense.

Humbles hit a jumper and D.J. Jackson canned a pair of free throws to keep Oakleaf up 18-17 before Bartram Trail climbed to a 25-22 lead to the fourth quarter.

"Gage (Cooper) had a strong offensive rebound and jumper that did not fall at the buzzer that was just not our night," said Price. "We make that, we get the mo-



Oakleaf High guard David Compere reacts to layup and one.

mentum back on our end."

Oakleaf finally got a three from guard David Compere at 6:18 in the fourth to close the game to 28-27 with Compere hitting one of two free throws to tie the game.

Bartram Trail countered with Navin getting a frantic steal and smoothly landing a three to push Bartram Trail to a 32-28 lead.


Cooper had his own three point momentum shaker to a 32-31 gap with Cooper hitting a squeezed turnaround jumper off Kuehl's tight defense to tie the game at 33-33 at 3:19 to go.

After a Bartram Trail timeout, Kuehl landed a layup after a strong defensive stand by Oakleaf as Navin kept feigning drives to the basket only to be halted by Cooper stepping into the lane.


Oakleaf got reduced to intentional fouls to slow Bartram Trail despite a final three from Compere for the 41-39 final.

"I liked the energy we had, but we have to take advantage of the opportunities," said Price, who will travel to Seminole High (14-7) on Thurs., Feb. 18 for their region opener. "Possessions and baskets are important in a game like this. We wanted to hold them to a low score, but we have to make the shots."

Bartram Trail (13-13) will host Lake Mary (11-10).




ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



Tamira Briley
Oakleaf Weightlifting, Senior

Tamira Briley set a state record in bench press en route to a Class 3A title in the 110 pound weight division at the FHSAA girls weightlifting championships held Saturday in Kissimmee.




Matthew Stratton
SJCDs Soccer, Junior


Matthew Stratton powered in the first goal in the St. Johns Country Day School soccer district 3-2A title 4-1 win against St. Joseph Academy on Friday at St. Johns.

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Left: Clay High's Luke Boree knows he won and locked in Tussle of Muscle win for Blue Devils while, right, Thomas Viens turned the tables for a third period pin to put Boree within a point in Clay's 32-30 win at Fleming Island High School.



Tussle of Muscle

Viens' pin, Boree clamp down wrestles Tussle title from Eagles

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

FLEMING ISLAND - Clay High got back-to-back dramatic finishes; a third period pin from Thomas Viens and a takedown with just 12 seconds on the clock from Luke Boree to steal away the Tussle of Muscle wrestling title from Fleming Island in yet another wrestlefest classic between the two wrestling programs.

"I've been waiting a long time for this win," said Boree, who faced off against Fleming Island senior Garrett Cole. "He has beat me a few times and it's always been tough matches."

Boree's win was off a 1-1 tie through the second quarter with both wrestlers scoring on escapes before Boree scored the two-point takedown as the loud and boisterous crowd sensed an overtime ses-

sion to end the match.

"We talked all week to them about just competing," said Clay coach Jim Reape. "We had a tough weekend with the Clay Rotary (Clay won) then wanted to keep them mentally sharp for tonight. We just wanted to battle them because Fleming Island is the standard of excellence as a top big school program."

Reape's query for "competing" was not lost on the penultimate match of the night as Viens, at 132, turned a 7-0 apparent major decision coming to Fleming Island's Xavier Logan into a cradled pin with a minute left in the period.

"I was holding on for dear life because he was breaking my grip underneath," said Viens, who recently signed a college scholarship to "He had me twice in near fall and I wiggled away. I just kept hearing

coach Reape yelling 'compete, compete'" while I was under him."

Viens pin jettisoned a 23-30 gap with Fleming Island ramping up the score with pins from Joe Forte, at 106 over Caleb Thompson, an overtime win 7-5 from Hunter Herrington over Maverick Rainwater in a match highlight by two top ranked players in their respective classes and Riley Holton taking down Chandler Thomas 9-2 at 126. Dalton Huckleberry, Clay's 120, upset the table run with a pin of Ethan Myers to set up the Viens and Boree finish.

Opening at 145, Clay's Josh Kumpf broke open a tight 5-4 first period against Matthew Kotler, who scored a near fall in the fracas, to rattle off a 6-1 spree to set the tone of the night.

"That first match was going to do just that," said Reape. "Josh has been strong for us, but their guy was tall and that was going to present some challenges. Josh did a good job to wrestle his own match and take the points as they came."

At 152, Fleming Island came back with David Parkes showing some mat flair against Dominic Martin in a high-flying showdown that Parkes won 10-2.

At 160, Clay's Cale Hoskinson faced off a reduced-size Joshua Sandoval and took a quick 2-0 first period to pin with just eight seconds to go.

Fleming Island was notably missing senior Gavin Smith at 170 with a broken leg bone after the Flagler Rotary.

Up 9-4, Clay was prepping for a Fleming Island surge with Jhoel Robinson, at 170, facing off against Luka Fiannaca. Fiannaca proved relentless in avoiding Robinson athleticism of the matt and survived without a pin, but just a 19-4 tech fall with Robinson being admonished at the match's end for some rough elbow grinding on Fiannaca's head.

"Fleming Island always wrestles tough and we knew it would get rough," said Reape. "We told them to keep cool on the mat."

A forfeit to Ethan Larsen at 182 kept Clay up 15-9, but the lead evaporated with



Clay High's Maverick Rainwater gets ride from Hunter Herrington for Fleming Island in Herrington's win versus Clay High.

Class 1A Wrestling

RHS Rodriguez on path to third - and final - state shot

By Randy Lefko
Sports Editor

ORANGE PARK - Ridgeview High senior wrestler Matthew Rodriguez has a bucket load of medals at the house, but the one he is missing, a gold state medal, has been the elusive one.

Last year, it was Lake Highland Prep's Danny Nini who beat Rodriguez 14-6 in the state final to thwart an unbeaten season with the final tally at 66 wins, one loss. In 2019, Rodriguez, 54-1, lost to Kai Owen of Tampa Jesuit 2-1 in the 106 state final.

"I just got the 200th win with Ridgeview recently; 245 total varsity from my middle school wrestling at University Christian with 195 pins," said Rodriguez, who has already signed with Lehigh University in Pennsylvania. "I've been training since the day after state last year and definitely increased all my strengths. I'm really excited about this year."

Rodriguez, ranked number one at 132 pounds by most rankings statewide including the Orlando Sentinel's list, has been following his similar game plan as previous years with a lot of summer training and competition action, but this year in season, the Panthers, coached by dad Bart Rodriguez, have stayed fairly closed to home.

"Matthew is very strong this year after a summer of hard training," said Bart Rodriguez. "Last weekend, we got some tough training in Virginia and will return there for more. At his level, he wants to wrestle against much tougher guys to see what that is all about."

One thing that has created a bit of ballyhoo in the wrestling avenues of Florida is the ascension of Panther teammate Derek

Mosley at 285. Mosley, third last year for Clay, transferred in before football season and continued his wrestling with Ridgeview with a quiet destruction that Bart Rodriguez coyly acknowledged. Mosley is currently ranked eighth at 285 in the Orlando Sentinel ranks. Also in the rankings for Ridgeview is Ian Finnom, 17th at 138.

"I think Derrek is going surprise some people," said Rodriguez. "People are looking at him as an underdog, but, just look at him out there. This is a different Derek than last year. He comes to work, asks a lot of questions and is working alongside Matthew to bring a little excitement here."

Back to Matthew Rodriguez, his senior year brings a final shot at the elusive state gold medal.

"We were limited a little by COVID for our usual summer travels," said Rodriguez. "I'm staying humbled by having not won that state championship so there is still something to prove."

For this season, Rodriguez has one advantage in that former Class 1A superpower Lake Highland Prep is no longer a team in FHSAA in lieu of a national schedule.

"I don't really worried about any one opponent out there that concerns me, but it is more myself that I worry about with regard to my execution," said Rodriguez. "I think I have seen a move for every move that may come at me. It's more about me wrestling my match."

With his travels to Lehigh and other high-powered camps, Rodriguez only slightly divulged that a new few twists may come on his journey to a third state final.

"I always learn something new, but you won't see it or know about it until the state

Wrestling District Tournaments

District 1-3A: at Oakleaf High School, Sat., 20 4 p.m. finals, first matches 10 a.m. (Fleming Island, Oakleaf, Atlantic Coast, Bartram Trail, Creekside, Mandarin, Nease, Sandalwood)

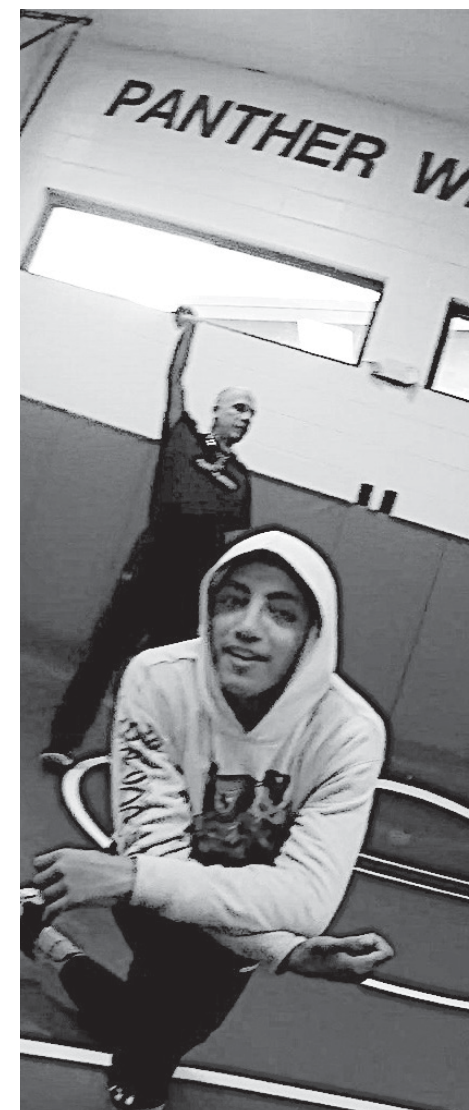
District 2-2A: at Lincoln High School, Sat., Feb. 20 3 p.m. finals, first matches 11 a.m. (Orange Park, Middleburg, Chiles, Columbia, Gainesville, Leon, Lincoln, Mosley)

District 4-1A: at Clay High, Wed., Feb. 17 first match Noon. Finals to follow (Clay, Ridgeview, Bolles, Baldwin, Bishop Snyder, Union County, University Christian, Wolfson)

District 5-1A: at Pedro Menendez, Wed., Feb. 17 finals 6 p.m., first matches 4 p.m. (Keystone Heights, Atlantic, Lake Weir, Menendez, Palatka)

final," said Rodriguez.

Also in Class 1A, Clay has ranked wrestlers, led by Cale Hoskinson, number one at 160, with Maverick Rainwater, sixth 113; Dalton Huckleberry, ninth at 120; Gunner Ivey, fifth at 126; Chandler Thomas, 17th at 132; Luke Boree, sixth at 138; Dominick Martin, seventh at 152; Ethan Larsen, 17th at 170; Garrett Tyre, third at 220 and Ethan Daniels, 19th at 285.



Ridgeview High senior Matthew Rodriguez, with dad and coach Bart behind him, has his eye set on a final shot at a state title after two runnerup finishes.

Tussle

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Hunter Williams pinning Kedrick Wilbon to tie the score back at 15-15.

Then the fireworks started at 220 as Clay's Garrett Tyre and Fleming Island's Grant Travis tangoed with some bumping and grinding leading to blood and hostilities with Travis, in the end, winning a 4-2 match that precipitated a Tyre outburst that nearly emptied the benches to center matt a.k.a. World Wide Wrestling. The incident cost Clay one team point.

At 285, where Fleming Island was missing Raul Gonzales with a knee injury, Ethan Hofstetter went toe-to-toe with Clay's Ethan Daniels in a battle of behemoths that Daniels emerged out with an overtime 3-2 win.

With the score precariously sitting at One key wrestler missing was Fleming Island's Gavin Smith who suffered broken leg bone two weeks ago at Flagler Rotary. Smith was a top ranked state medal contender before his injury.

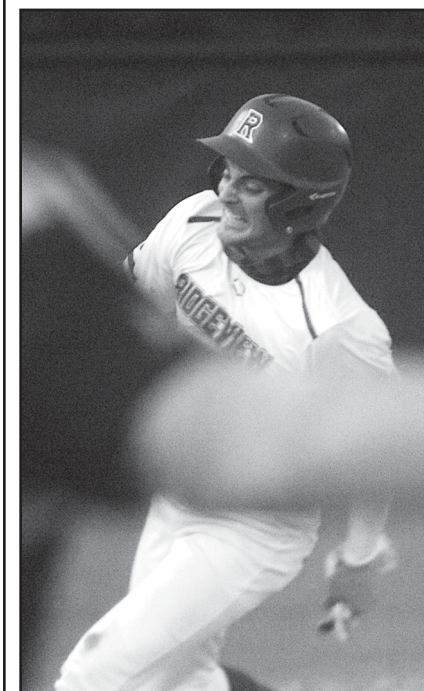
18-17 for Fleming Island, Clay's bench was sensing a momentum shift after Daniels' win, but Fleming Island ripped that up Forte and Herrington putting Fleming Island up 27-17 in what looked like a final flurry to the expected blowout.

Herrington's overtime win came with a takedown with just 20 seconds to go in the one minute overtime session.

At 120, Dalton Huckleberry went to a swift pin over Ethan Meyers, 17 seconds left in first period, to keep Clay in the hunt at 27-23. Fleming Island answered with Riley Holton blasting a lightning fast single and a set nearfall Eastons to build a quick 7-0 lead before blood time for a nose bleed.

Holton won at 9-2 to put the score at 30-23 to set up the Viens and Boree finishes.

Both teams now get ready for districts with Clay hosting District 4-1A on February 17 and Fleming Island going to Oakleaf for district 1-3A on February 20.



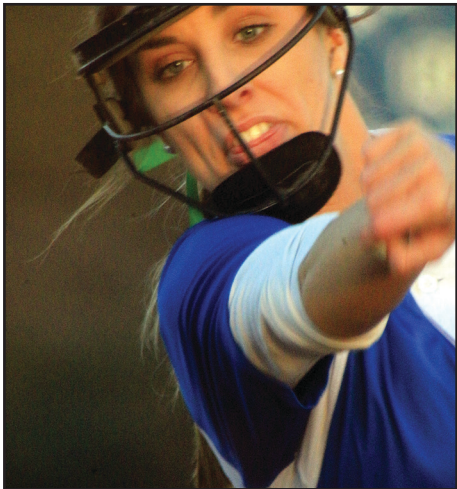
3-2 win in season opener

Ridgeview High baserunner Ryan Dickey rounds third base in Panthers 3-2 season opening win over Ponte Vedra.





Fleming Island forward Gianni Gardner blasts sixth goal of Golden Eagles' 7-1 win over Lake Howell in region 1-6A quarterfinal.



Ridgeview High power pitcher Brittany Michael fires away in 9-4 season opening win for Panthers over Atlantic Coast.



Fleming Island pitcher Ansleyh Hamilton watches pitch in 9-7 loss to First Coast.

Wilson's two goals secure Spartan playoff win

By Mike Zima
Correspondent

ORANGE PARK - Natalie Wilson scored two goals in just her second game back from a broken leg as host St. Johns Country Day School began its quest for a 10th consecutive state title with an 8-0 pasting of Spring Hill Bishop McLaughlin Catholic in a Class 2A Region 1 quarterfinal Tuesday, February 16.

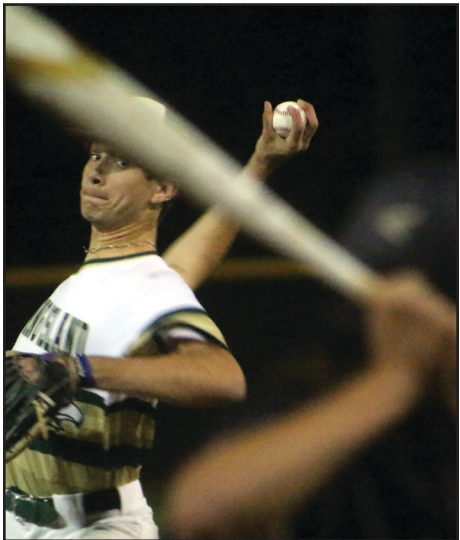
"I was glad to see her back in the mix," SJCD head coach Mike Pickett said of Wilson. Wilson, who is committed to play for Southern Mississippi next year, gained

prime position inside the box to head in a cross from junior forward Kamryn Towers at the 26:30 mark of the first half. She gave the Spartans a 6-0 lead just a minute later off of a cross from freshman Savannah Berrang. Wilson did not hit the ball squarely, but got enough of her right foot on it to direct it off of the hands of Hurricanes goalie Cadence Clement and over the goal line.

The Spartans dominated from the start, scoring six goals in the first fifteen minutes. Mia Sadler, another Southern Mississippi commit, opened the scoring by

bouncing a header between Cadence's legs at the 4:00 mark. Hannah Lemieux, Lauryn Mateo, Paige Crews and Abigail Campbell also scored for SJCD. The final goal, an own goal off of the leg of a Bishop McLaughlin defender, came triggered the mercy rule, ending the match at halftime. SJCD improves to 14-0-0 and will host a regional semifinal Friday, February 19, against the winner of the quarterfinal between St. Joseph Academy and Seven Rivers Christian, also played Tuesday night.

"We did what we had to do," said Pickett.



Fleming Island pitcher Dylan Dudones rears back for fastball in 10-0 win over Paxon.

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Briley

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entire two week preparation prior to the state meet was to make that girl from Vero Beach clean more than what we thought that she could do. We got up on her by 30 pounds. We could tell psychologically that Tamira was ready to roll. Tamira knew what the target was.”

Ironically, Briley’s return to the state meet came after her precarious near no-go last year after a disastrous region meet.

“Last year, at regions, I missed my first two bench press attempts at 150 and almost didn’t make it to the state meet,” said Briley, who eventually finished ninth at 119 last year. “I was more confident this time, but took nothing for granted and focused on getting back even stronger. We decided to cut weight back to the 110 division and that was tough at first, but my mom and dad, Melvin and Carrie, are both athletes and we just ate right, got strong and maintained.”

In the clean and jerk, Briley hit 140 and 150, but failed at 165 to total 325 while runnerup Sarah Esworth of Vero Beach, third last year in Class 2A at 110, countered with a 170 lift to finish at 310. Briley’s total was 30 pounds more than her 2020 total of 295. Esworth’s clean and jerk was top lift for the division. Esworth benched just 140. Briley set the competition up with a 160 first lift at bench press with a 135 by Esworth the top competitor open through the entire roster.



Tamira Briley specialty was the bench press and her opening lift at state set the stage for a dramatic finish. Briley won state title in Class 3A at 110 pounds. Right: Clay High’s Samantha Migliore was third place finisher for Blue Devils.

“Tamira wanted the record and got the 175 and we set the tone of the clean and jerk,” said White. “In the clean and jerk, on her third attempt, Tamira wanted to break the state record for total, but failed at 165. Bottom line, she grinded and had the meet won at that point.”

Ellie Bronson also competed for the Knights with an 11th place finish in 129.

“Ellie came to the team just two years ago,” said White. “She’s a crossfit athlete and she worked hard to get to the state meet.”

Also in 3A, Fleming Island got eighth from Markayla Madison in the Unlimited division.

In Live Oak, Clay, Middleburg and Rid-

geview competed in the Class 2A championship meet on Saturday with the Blue Devils getting third place finishes from 110-pounder Samantha Migliore and 154-pounder Janiyah Stevens as top finishers in Class 2A for area athletes.

Clay also got a fourth from Unlimited Kyleigh Lafary as the Blue Devils finished in eighth place with 10 team points. Arnold won with 22 with Port Charlotte second at 19 and Mosley third at 17.

Also in 2A, Middleburg and Ridgeview got top finishes from Emily Georgiades; 10th in Unlimited for the Lady Broncos, and 13th in 199 from Kenyatte Hogan for Ridgeview at 199.

In Class 1A, Keystone Heights had the



lone competitor with Kaylee Wright in the 199 pound division. Wright finished 18th with a 290 total.

For Clay, in 2A, Morgan Greer finished 17th in 101; Riley Ledford finished ninth at 119; Marina McKean finished 19th in 129; Bailey Kumm finished 15th at 139; Gianna Torres finished 13th at 169 and Annalee Harbison finished

13th at 183.

For Middleburg, in 2A, Leslie Catlett finished 10th at 129; Alyssa Cone finished 16th at 139 and Jewel Taylor finished 15th at 183.

For Ridgeview, in 2A, Haley Beardin finished 19th at 169; Ava Haber finished 20th at 169 and London Francis finished 19th at 183.



Spartans

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before setting up the second in front of the goal to set up a rebound blast from Stratton.

“We worked all year on the front running pressure front,” said Detlefsen, directing the Spartans to a 12-2-1 record. “I’m be able to take more time on the ball to make good decisions to deliver. With Stratton out there, it’s nice to have a guy who never gets tired.”

Detlefsen’s reference to Stratton was from Stratton being a top cross country

and track runner for the Spartans.

St. Johns final goal was a header off a set piece to Max Monroe that was a top goal-getter for Detlefsen last year.

“We always have that option with Max Monroe in the middle, but the other guys; Max Arnold and Stratton and Jacob (Graston) and Landon (Brafford) coming in from the outside makes everything very fast and gives me lots of options,” said Detlefsen.

St. Johns opens regions with the girls and boys both hosting Bishop McLaughlin Catholic (15-3-2 for the boys, 6-3-3 for the girls) this week; Wed., Feb. 17 for the boys and Tues., Feb. 16 for the girls.



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Middleburg

Middleburg High girls soccer team (11-6-2), led by Molly Burt, left, and Brooke Cassada up front will travel to Gulf Breeze High (14-2-2) in the region 1-5A quarterfinal playoffs on Tues., Feb. 16. Middleburg lost to Stanton in the championship. Stanton will host Mosley High School.

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Level: Intermediate

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Facilitates? Is that like Matriculating, from former Kansas City Chief's head coach Hank Stram fame? With Turner's facilitating in play, Oakleaf slowly reeled in the Lake Mary lead with Scott nailing back-to-back threes after Scott netted two free throws and a layup to get the score to 27-19 with three minutes to the half.

With Lake Mary maintaining their own three-point shooting game, Oakleaf fought back to a 31-26 deficit at the halftime break that Turner saw a momentum for the second half.

From the opening kickoff in the third period, after a Geniyah Durante three and layups from Fantasia James layups got the game tied at 33-33 before Turner scored off a steal to layup to give the Lady Knights their first lead at 35-33. Lake Mary stormed to stay up and took leads twice with James hitting a three at 2:46 to tie the game at 43-43 and Scott landing a three for a 46-43 lead with a minute to the fourth quarter.

"We don't have to coach intensity with this group," said Cole. "That is always there, but sometimes they kind of lose focus. The seniors took it up in the locker room and got the team back on track." In the fourth quarter, Lake Mary got some inspired backboard play from junior Kyra Frazine, a 5'-11" forward, who was clearing missed Oakleaf shots that turned to Lake Mary points and a 58-58 score with just 3:25 left in the game.

Scott started to drive through the lane to challenge the paint and Frazine and picked up foul shots along the way to put Oakleaf up 65-60 with Durante adding a set of free throws as well.

Boddie was unrelenting with a final three at four seconds to bring the score to 66-63, but a backcourt violation on a steal to halfcourt inbounds call on Boddie proved fatal at the final whistle.

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Answer: Dakota Fanning

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Clue: Place for clothing

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Clue: Excess stuff

D. 23 22 17 4 18 1 2

Clue: Space for housing items

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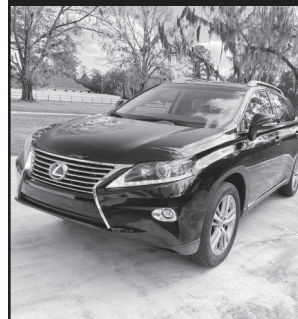
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AAVION TECH SERVICES LLC

Located at 264 DOLPHIN CIRCLE in the County of CLAY, in the City of MIDDLEBURG, Florida 32068 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida.

Dated at MIDDLEBURG, Florida, this 15th day of February, 2021.

Owner/corp:

John C Bowden

Legal 47402 published Feb 18, 2021 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 March 9, 2021 at 3:30 p.m. at the Cross Creek North Amenity Center located at 2895 Big 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 emergency, it may be necessary to 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 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 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 & Company, Inc., 2806 North Fifth Street, Suite 403, St. Augustine, Florida 32084, or by calling (904) 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 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.

A person who decides to appeal any 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

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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 47381 published Feb 18, 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 of:

RL CONCRETE & MORE

Located at 1321 EAST STREET in the County of CLAY, in the City of GREEN COVE SPRINGS, Florida 32043 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida.

Dated at GREEN COVE SPRINGS, Florida, this 11th day of February, 2021.

Owner/corp:

Robert Lee Lewis

Legal 47389 published Feb 18, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

PUBLIC SALE
On 10 MAR 2021 @ 10 A.M. 246 Jefferson Ave, Orange Park, Florida 32065. The following vehicles will be auctioned off for towing and storage charges.

2003 Nissan 1N6ED27T43C467699

Legal 47400 publish Feb 18, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF ACTION BY PUBLICATION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, 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:
Mother: Rebecca Rigsby

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, Florida at the hour of 2:00 p.m. o'clock on March 9, 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 CHILDREN. IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR ON THE DATE AND TIME SPECIFIED YOU MAY LOSE ALL LEGAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILDREN NAMED IN THE PETITION ATTACHED TO THIS NOTICE.

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Court ADA Coordinator at (904) 255-1695 or crtntrp@coj.net at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon

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receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled court appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

WITNESS my hand as clerk of said Court and the Seal thereof, this 29th day of January, 2021.

(seal)

TARA S. GREEN
as Clerk of Said Court

By: Denise Haselwood
As Deputy Clerk

Legal 47326 published Feb 4, Feb 11, Feb 18 and Feb 25, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

AMENDED NOTICE OF ACTION FOR PETITION FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE WITH MINOR CHILDREN AND PETITION FOR RELOCATION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 19-DR-2253
DIVISION: E

IN RE: THE MATTER OF:
REBECCA FEALY, Wife

and GLENN FEALY, Husband.

TO: Glenn Fealy

Age: 35; Race: black; Approximate

Height: 6 feet; Approximate Weight:

180 pounds; Hair Color: black; Eye

Color: brown; Birthdate: 01/17/1985

Current Residence: unknown

Last Known Residence: 5264 Mallard

Road, Middleburg, FL 32068

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Petition for Dissolution of Marriage with Minor Children and a Petition for Relocation has been filed by Summer N. Boyd, Esquire,

on behalf of Rebecca Fealy. There will be a hearing on the Petition for

Dissolution of Marriage with Minor Children and a Petition for

Relocation on March 16, 2021 at 10:40 a.m. in person at the Clay County

Courthouse, in the Court's Chambers Room 4-081. In the event the Clay

County Courthouse is not open to the public, it shall be held via Zoom:

Join Zoom Meeting, <https://zoom.us/j/6217548891>; Meeting ID: 621 754

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Pursuant to Florida law, you must file appear at the hearing referenced above. If you elect to file written

defenses to the Petition you are required to serve a copy on the

attorney for the Petitioner, Summer N. Boyd, Esquire, 10151 Deerwood

Park Blvd., Bldg. 200, Suite 250, Jacksonville, Florida 32256, Phone

number: (904) 371-1209, and file the original response or pleading in the

Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Clay County, Florida, 825

North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043.

YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR AT THE HEARING REFERENCED

ABOVE WILL BE PRESENTED TO THE COURT AS YOUR FAILURE

TO COMPLY WITH YOUR RIGHT TO CONTEST OR OTHERWISE

OBJECT TO THE DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE AND RELOCATION. Copies of all court documents in this

case, including orders, are available at the Clerk of the Circuit Court's

office located at 825 N Orange Ave, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043. You

may review these documents upon request.

WITNESS my hand as clerk of said Court and the Seal thereof, this 4th

day of February, 2021.

(seal)

TARA S. GREEN,
Clerk of the Circuit Court

By: Rebecca Crews
Deputy Clerk

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled at no cost to you, to the provision of

certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator at crtntrp@coj.net

at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon

receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled court appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

WITNESS my hand as clerk of said Court and the Seal thereof, this 29th day of January, 2021.

(seal)

TARA S. GREEN,
Clerk of the Circuit Court

By: Denise Haselwood
As Deputy Clerk

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@coj.net or (904) 269-6302 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 47355 published Feb 11, Feb 18, Feb 25 and March 4, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

BURGART ENTERPRISES gives Notice of Lien and intent to sell these vehicles on 03/05/2021, 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.

1HD1CZ311CC405869

2012 Harley-Davidson

Legal 47387 publish Feb 18, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

A1 Towing & Recovery gives Notice of Foreclosure of Lien and intent to sell these vehicles on 03/17/2021, 09:00 am at 3052 Joe Johns Rd Middleburg, FL 32068, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes. A1 Towing & Recovery reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids.

1B7FL26X9XS145747 1999 Dodge

JTEDP21A350084172 2005 Toyota

JTDKTUD32DD569605 2013 Toyota

Legal 47387 publish Feb 18, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

PUBLIC SALE

Sale Date: March 2, 2021 at 8:00 a.m. Location: 4225 CR 218, Middleburg, Florida

Vehicle: 1986 GMC

VIN# 1GTDCC14H9GF707569

Legal 47391 published Jan 21, 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 of:

NYC MEATBALLS & PIZZERIA

Located at 1075 OAKLEAF PLANTATION PKWY in the County of CLAY, in the City of ORANGE PARK, FLORIDA 32065-3624 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida.

Dated at ORANGE PARK, Florida, this 11th day of February, 2021.

Owner/corp:

ECHO CANYON INC.

Legal 47388 published Feb 18, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY FOR AMBULANCE SERVICE AND NOTICE OF CONSIDERATION BY OR PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

The Clay County Department of Public Safety has received an application from the Town on Orange Park for renewal of its Class E and F Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (COPCN) and is in the process of reviewing it. Pursuant to Clay County Ordinance 2018-23 codified at Chapter 7.3 of the Clay County Code, notice is hereby given that a public hearing before the designated Standing Committee

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to consider the application will be held on March 2, 2021 at 3:30 p. m., or as soon thereafter as can be heard, and that the recommendation of the Standing Committee will be considered by, or a public hearing held before, the Board of County Commissioners on March 9, 2021 at 5:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as can be heard, both of which will be held at the following location:
Board of County Commissioners
Meeting Room
Clay County Administration
Building (4th floor)
477 Houston Street
Green Cove Springs, Florida

All interested persons are invited to attend the public hearing before the Standing Committee and be heard on matters pertaining to the application. All interested persons are also invited to attend the Board of County Commissioners' meeting in connection with consideration of the Standing Committee's recommendation or any public hearing that may be had before the Board of County Commissioners on matters pertaining to the application. Pursuant to Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes, a person deciding to appeal any recommendation made by the Standing Committee with respect to any matter considered at the Standing Committee meeting at which the public hearing is held or at any subsequent meeting to which the Committee has continued its deliberations, or to appeal any decision made by the Board of County Commissioners with respect to any matter considered at the Board meeting at which consideration is given to the Standing Committee's recommendation 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 application is available for review during normal business hours at the Clay County Department of Public Safety, 2519 State Road 16 W., Green Cove Springs, Florida, Telephone number: (904) 284-7703, 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 1-800-955-8770 (Voice), or 1-800-955-8771 (TDD).

Standing Committee and Board of County Commissioners
Clay County, Florida

Legal 47375 published Feb 18, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF ACTION BY PUBLICATION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY FLORIDA
CASE NUMBER: 10-2018-DP-000059
DIVISION: JV-E

IN THE INTEREST OF:
L.C., DOB: 09/03/2019

A MINOR CHILD

THE STATE OF FLORIDA

TO:

Donald W. Combs, FATHER

53 Old Hard Road

Fleming Island, Florida 32003.

Middleburg FL 32068

(904) 291-2687/(904)592-9336

Last Known Address

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that

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a Petition has been filed in the above-styled Court by the FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES for termination of parental rights and permanent commitment for subsequent adoption of the above-named child, L.C. who was born on September 3, 2019. You are hereby commanded to appear before the Honorable Angela M. Cox, at the Clay County Courthouse, Juvenile Dependency Courtroom, 825 North Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida at the hour of 9:30 a.m. o'clock on March 18, 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/6217548891>, Meeting ID: 621 754 8891

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

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

WITNESS my hand as clerk of said Court and the Seal thereof, this 20th day of January, 2021.

(seal)

TARA S. GREEN

as Clerk of Said Court

By: Denise Rosenbloom

As Deputy Clerk

Legal 47288 published Jan 28, Feb 4, Feb 11 and Feb 18, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF ACTION FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 4TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2020-DR-1452
DIVISION:

LaFarrah Shaw

Petitioner,

and

Jonathan Shaw

Respondent.

To: Jonathan Shaw

2121 Burwick Ave. Apt 802

Orange Park, Florida 32073

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for dissolution of marriage has been

filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your

written defenses, if any, to it on LaFarrah Shaw whose address is 715

Red Cedar Court, Orange Park, FL 32073 on or before March 6, 2021 and

file the original with this Clerk of the Court at 825 N. Orange Ave., P.O. Box

698, Green Cove Spring, FL 32043 before service on Petitioner or

immediately thereafter. If you fail to do so, a default may be entered

against for the relief to amend the petition.

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

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

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this can result in sanctions, including dismissal or striking of pleadings.
Date: Jan 20, 2021

(seal)
TARA S. GREEN
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
By: Rebecca Crews
Deputy Clerk
Legal 47286 published Jan 28, Feb 4, Feb 11 and Feb 18, 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 of:

Maxum Investments
Located at 411 Walnut Street #16288 in the County of CLAY, in the City of Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida.
Dated at Green Cove Springs, Florida on the 16th day of February, 2021.
Owner's name/corporation:
Toni Noaker
Legal 47405 published Feb 18, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE
A1 Towing & Recovery gives Notice of Foreclosure of Lien and intent to sell these vehicles on 03/17/2021, 09:00 am at 3052 Joe Johns Rd Middleburg, FL 32068, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes. A1 Towing & Recovery reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids.
8A40F139091 1968 FORD
2C86P74L53R233694 2003 Chrysler
KNADMA34G6684111 2016 KIA
Legal 47376 publish Feb 18, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

LEGAL NOTICE
The Board of Supervisors of the Clay County Utility Authority will meet in Regular Session at 2:00 P.M. on Tuesday, March 2, 2021, in the Board Room at the Clay County Utility Authority, 3176 Old Jennings Road, Middleburg, Florida.
In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person needing a special accommodation to participate in this matter, should contact the Clay County Utility Authority by mail at 3176 Old Jennings Road, Middleburg, Florida 32068 or by telephone at (904) 213-2464, no later than 7 days prior to the hearing or proceeding for which this notice has been given. Persons requiring auditory assistance 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 47403 publish Feb 18, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
CASE NO.: 2020 CP 000038
IN RE: ESTATE OF THOMAS N. WEBER, JR., Deceased.
TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: THOMAS N. WEBER, JR., a resident of Clay County, Florida, died on December 14, 2019, and SHARON WEBER, has been appointed personal representative of the estate of THOMAS N. WEBER, JR., deceased, with full power to administer the estate according to law, by and through her counsel:
DAVID M. DUNLAP, ESQ.
DUNLAP, RAVIS & MILLER, PLLC.
110 Professional Drive, Suite 104
Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32082
EMAIL: David@dunlaptriallaw.com
FAX: (904) 373-0480
ANY AND ALL Creditors must file claims against the Estate with the above-referenced Court during the time periods set forth in Florida Statute 733.702. The first date of publication is February 18, 2021. You are hereby notified that if you wish to make a claim against the Estate,

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you must do so by completing and filing a Statement of Claim form by the later of thirty (30) days from the date of this Notice or within three (3) months from the first date of publication of the Notice to Creditors.
All claims should be filed with the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Probate Division, Clay County, 825 N. Orange Avenue, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043, and a copy must be served on the Personal Representative's attorney named below.
DATED this 10th day of February, 2021.

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NOTICE OF ACTION - CONSTRUCTIVE SERVICE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
GENERAL JURISDICTION
Case No. 102020CA000115CAAXXX
Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for New Century Home Equity Loan Trust, Series 2005-B, Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates Plaintiff,
vs.
Elaine H. Relaford a/k/a Elaine Relaford; et al Defendants.
TO: TONJA NUNES A/K/A TONJA VANZANDT
Last Known Address: 14041 Lumberton Falls Dr. Jacksonville, FL 32224
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following property in Clay County, Florida:
LOT 24, BLOCK 37, MEADOWBROOK UNIT TWELVE, CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
ACCORDING TO PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 13, PAGES 71 AND 72 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF SAID COUNTY, TOGETHER WITH A PART OF SECTION 1, TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 25 EAST, CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 24, BLOCK 37, MEADOWBROOK UNIT 12 AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 13 PAGES 71 AND 72 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF SAID COUNTY; THENCE NORTH 32 DEGREES 46 MINUTES EAST, ALONG THE WESTERLY BOUNDARY OF SAID LOT 24, 80 FEET TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER THEREOF, THENCE NORTH 57 DEGREES 14 MINUTES WEST, 100 FEET, THENCE SOUTH 32 DEGREES 46 MINUTES WEST, 80 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 57 DEGREES 14 MINUTES EAST, 100 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Julie Anthousis, Esquire, Brock & Scott, PLLC, the Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is 2001 NW 64th Street, Suite 130, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33309, within thirty (30) days of the first date of publication on or before March 26, 2021, and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on the Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint or petition.
DATED on February 9, 2021.

(seal)
Tara Green
As Clerk of the Court
By: Kayla R Beard
As Deputy Clerk
Legal 47377 published Feb 18 and Feb 25, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper. 18-F02655

PUBLIC SALE
FIRST COAST TOWING gives Notice of Lien and intent to sell these vehicles on 03/07/2021 10:00 am at 2905 BLANDING BLVD MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068-6349, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes. FIRST COAST TOWING reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids.
JHMGD386X8S042980 2008 Honda
JTLZE4FE5EJ053091 2014 Scion
Legal 47368 publish Feb 18, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

Legal Notice

NOTICE OF ACTION
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 2021-CA-0051
MINOR VESTORS II, LLC, a Florida Limited liability company Plaintiff,
vs.

THOMAS DRYER, a deceased individual, Any Unknown Heirs or Beneficiaries of Thomas Dryer, NAMON FENNELL, a deceased individual, Any Unknown Heirs or Beneficiaries of Namon Fennell, DELLA BARLOW MCDOWER a/k/a DELLA MAY SAMUELS, an individual Defendants,
To: THOMAS DRYER, a Deceased, Any Unknown Heirs or Beneficiaries Thomas Dryer
NAMON FENNELL, deceased, Any Unknown Heirs of Beneficiaries of Namon Fennell
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to quiet title on that certain real property located in Duval County, Florida, which is more particularly described on the following real property:
See attached Exhibit A. (the Property")
Has been filed against you, and you are required to serve copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Plaintiff's counsel, Jonathan M. Smith, Esq. Duss, Kenney, Safer, Hampton & Joos, P.A., 4348 Southpoint Blvd, Suite 101, Jacksonville, Florida 32216, on or before March 8, 2021, and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's counsel or immediately thereafter, otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.
WITNESS my hand and the seal of the Court on January 21, 2021.

(seal)
TARA S. GREEN
CLERK OF THE COURT
CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
By: Layla Ray Beard
as Deputy Clerk
Exhibit "A"

That portion of Lot 1, Section 8, Orange Park, Clay County, according to plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 1, Pages 23, of the Public Records of Said County, lying within the lands more particularly described as follows:
Commence at the Northwest corner of said Lot 2; thence on the North line thereof, run South 89 Degrees 23 Minutes 20 Seconds East, 308.28 feet to a point on the Northerly extension of the East line of those lands described in Official Records Book 262, Page 336 of said public records; thence on said Northerly extension and then on said East line, South 01 Degrees 43 minutes 40 Seconds East, 200.00 feet to the South line of those lands described in Deed Book 58, Page 260 and the Point of Beginning; thence continue South 01 Degrees 43 Minutes 40 Seconds East along the East line of said lands described in Official Records Book 262, Page 336, 200.00 feet to the North line of said lands described in Deed Book 52, Page 39; thence on said North line, and on an Easterly extension thereof, South 89 Degrees 23 Minutes 20 Seconds East, 419.00 feet to the West line of Miller Street, as now established; thence on said West line, run the following two courses: (1) North 02 Degrees 00 Minutes 51 Seconds West, 121.05 feet; (2) North 02 Degrees 23 Minutes 08 Seconds West, 79.02 feet to a point on the Easterly extension of the South line of lands described in Deed Book 58, Page 260; thence on said Easterly extension and on the South line, North 89 Degrees 23 Minutes 20 Seconds West, 417.49 feet to the point of beginning.
Legal 47299 published Jan 28, Feb 4, Feb 11 and Feb 18, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

PUBLIC SALE
SCOTT'S AFFORDABLE TOWING INC gives Notice to sell the following vehicles for towing and storage lien on March 4, 2021 at 10:00 am at 2909 BLANDING BLVD MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes.
2004 Hyundai KMHDN46D74U779752
2017 Kia 3KPFK4A79HE041446
1995 Toyota 2T1AE09B2SC111698
Legal 47385 published Feb 18, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

Legal Notice

NOTICE OF ACTION
FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 4TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 10-2020-DR-001318
DIVISION: E

Kimberly Douglas-Leggett, Petitioner, and Michael Leggett, Respondent.
To: Michael Leggett 1300 Bayhill Blvd # B Orange Park, FL 32065
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for dissolution of marriage has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Kimberly Douglas-Leggett whose address is 1535 Blanding Blvd #307 Middleburg FL 32068 on or before and file the original with this Clerk of the Court at 825 N. Orange Ave., P.O. Box 698, Green Cove Spring, FL 32043 before service on Petitioner or immediately thereafter. If you fail to do so, a default may be entered against for the relief to amend the petition.
Copies of all Court documents in this case, including orders, are available at the Clerk of the Court's office. You may review these documents upon request.
You must keep the clerk of the Circuit Court's office notified of your current address. (You may file a Notice of Current Address, Florida Supreme Court approved Form 12.915) Future papers in this lawsuit will be mailed to the addressed on record at the clerk's office.
WARNING: Rule 12.285 Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, requires certain automatic disclosures of documents and information. Failure to comply with this can result in sanctions, including dismissal or striking of pleadings.
Date: Dec 31, 2020

(seal)
TARA S. GREEN
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
By: Kayla R Beard
Deputy Clerk
Legal 47291 published Jan 28, Feb 4, Feb 11 and Feb 18, 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, FLORIDA
CASE NO. : 2020-CA-00488
DIVISION: E

LEGACY IN ACTION PROJECT III, LLC, a Florida limited liability company, Plaintiff, vs. MADISON ALAMOSA HECM LLC, a Delaware limited liability company; THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, OR AGAINST, HENRY WILCOX, JR., DECEASED; LEATHA WILCOX JOHNSON, an individual; BRENDA EDWARDS BUNTING, an individual; BEVERLY EDWARDS PURIFOY, an individual; JOYCE EDWARDS, an individual, THOMAS EDWARDS, an individual, NED EDWARDS, an individual; JIMMY EDWARDS, an individual; BRUCE EDWARDS, an individual; ETHEL WRIGHT, an individual; THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST, PATRICIA EDWARDS ROBINSON; THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, OR AGAINST, RAY ANTHONY EDWARDS; JOHN DOE OR ANY OTHER PERSON IN POSSESSION; Defendants. TO: DEFENDANT(S) AND ALL OTHERS WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

YOU ARE NOTIFIED of the institution of this action to quiet title by Plaintiff against you seeking adverse claims to the property located in Green Cove Springs, Florida, which is more fully described as:
Property Address: 730 Pine Avenue North, Green Cove Springs, Florida 32043
Legal Description: ALL OF LOT 10 AND ALL OF LOT 12, EXCEPT THE NORTH 47.24 FEET THEREOF, BLOCK 23, NORTH SUBURBS OF GREEN COVE SPRINGS, ACCORDING TO MAP OR PLAT THEREOF AS

Legal Notice

RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGE 1, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
Parcel ID Number : 38-06-26-017702-004-00
A lawsuit has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on, the Plaintiff's attorney, LAW OFFICE OF PRESTON H. OUGHTON, P.A., whose address is 10365 Hood Road South, Suite 105, Jacksonville, Florida 32257, on or before 30 days from first day of publication, and file the original with the clerk of this court either before service on the Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint or petition.
Dated on 10th day of February, 2021.

Tara S. Green
as Clerk of the Court
By: Kayla R Beard
As Deputy Clerk
NOTICE: Person with disabilities in Accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing special Accommodations to participate in this function should contact Circuit Court Civil Division no later than one (1) day prior to the function.
Legal 47382 published Feb 18, Feb 25, March 4 and March 11, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

Legal Notice

LEGAL NOTICE / AVISO LEGAL
(Florida Statute 98.075 / Estatuto de Florida 98.075)
Notice is hereby given to the following person(s) with the last known address of:
Por la presente se notifica a las siguientes personas con la última dirección conocida de:

DANIELS, CHRISTOPHER J
865 FILMORE LN
ORANGE PARK,32073

LEE, ADAM M
4919 KANGAROO CIR
MIDDLEBURG,32068

SETTLES, ALEXIS D
1933 LEAP FROG LN
MIDDLEBURG,32068

You are hereby notified that you are potentially ineligible to be registered to vote. Failure to respond to this notice within 30 days may result in a determination of ineligibility by the Supervisor of Elections and removal of your name from the statewide voter registration system. You may contact the Supervisor of Elections office to receive information regarding the basis for the potential ineligibility and the procedure to resolve the matter. If further assistance is needed, contact the Clay County Supervisor of Elections office.
Por la presente se le notifica que no es elegible para registrarse para votar. Si no responde a este aviso dentro de los 30 días, el Supervisor de Elecciones puede determinar que no es elegible y eliminar su nombre del sistema estatal de registro de votantes. Puede comunicarse con la oficina del Supervisor de Elecciones para recibir información sobre la base de la posible inelegibilidad y el procedimiento para resolver el asunto. Si necesita más ayuda, comuníquese con la oficina del Supervisor de Elecciones del Condado de Clay.
Chris H. Chambliss
Supervisor of Elections
Supervisor de Elecciones
Legal 47386 published Feb 18, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

FICTITIOUS NAME NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that JAMES M NORMAN, OWNER, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of

HANDY MIKES INSTALLATIONS
located at 1845 HOLLARS PLACE, MIDDLEBURG, FLORIDA 32068 intends to register the said name in CLAY county with the Division of Corporations, Florida Department of State, pursuant to section 865.09 of the Florida Statutes.
Legal 47397 published Feb 18, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

Legal Notice

FICTITIOUS NAME NOTICE
Notice is hereby given that J & I SEAFOOD, INC., OWNER, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of

CRAFTY CRAB ORANGE PARK
located at 950 BLANDING BLVD, #1, ORANGE PARK, FLORIDA 32065 intends to register the said name in CLAY county with the Division of Corporations, Florida Department of State, pursuant to section 865.09 of the Florida Statutes.
Legal 47398 published Feb 18, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

PUBLIC NOTICE
Clay County Towing gives notice of lien and intent to sell the following vehicles at 2864 Blanding Blvd Middleburg FL 32068 at date and time listed below:
MARCH 15, 2021 @ 10:00 AM
2013 CHEVR 1G1PA5SH7D7209849
2011 CHEVR 2G1WG5EK1B1113520
Pursuant to subsection 713-78 of the FL Statute, Clay County Towing reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.
Legal 47378 publish Feb 18, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF ACTION FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 4TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 10-2020-DR-001707-AXXX-XX
DIVISION: E

Ana Lucia Fonseca
Petitioner, and Osorio Beltran Evert Mauricio Respondent.
To: Osorio Beltran Evert Mauricio
last known address
1035 Lasalle Street
Jacksonville, FL 32207

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for dissolution of marriage has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Ana Lucia Fonseca whose address is 6961 Clearwater Park Ct. N. Jacksonville, FL 32244 on or before February 25, 2021 and file the original with this Clerk of the Court at 825 N. Orange Ave., P.O. Box 698, Green Cove Spring, FL 32043 before service on Petitioner or immediately thereafter. If you fail to do so, a default may be entered against for the relief to amend the petition. Copies of all Court documents in this case, including orders, are available at the Clerk of the Court's office. You may review these documents upon request.

You must keep the clerk of the Circuit Court's office notified of your current address. (You may file a Notice of Current Address, Florida Supreme Court approved Form 12.915) Future papers in this lawsuit will be mailed to the addressed on record at the clerk's office.
WARNING: Rule 12.285 Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, requires certain automatic disclosures of documents and information. Failure to comply with this can result in sanctions, including dismissal or striking of pleadings.
Date: Jan 11, 2021

(seal)
TARA S. GREEN
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
By: Kayla R Beard
Deputy Clerk
Legal 47257 published Jan 28, Feb 4, Feb 11, and Feb 18, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NEW BUSINESS

STARTING A NEW BUSINESS?

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 legal section for one week for \$35

Affidavit will be mailed to you.

Legal Notice

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

Case No.: 2020-DR-1674
Division: E

IN THE INTEREST OF ARIYANA
GRACE SHIFFLET, Child
DORIS DOREEN PARTRIDGE,
Petitioner and
ASHLEY DOREEN THORSEN,
Respondent

To: ASHLEY DOREEN THORSEN
Last Known Address:
InTown Suites, 5450 Augusta Road,
Room 165 Savannah, GA 31408-1600
(until October 2020)

General Delivery, Jacksonville,
Florida 32208 (as of January 20, 2021)
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an
Amended Verified Petition to
Terminate Parental Rights for the
Proposed Adoption of the Minor
Child and Petition for Adoption of
the Minor Child by Great
Grandmother has been filed by
DORIS DOREEN PARTRIDGE, who
is the legal guardian of the minor
child. Her address is 60 Old Hard
Road, Fleming Island, FL 32003. A
hearing on the Petition to Terminate
Parental Rights only will be held
before Judge Angela Cox on
Wednesday, April 7, 2021, at 1:30 p.m.
in Chamber 4-081 at the Judge
William A. Wilkes Judicial Complex,
825 N. Orange Avenue, Green Cove
Springs, Florida 32043. At the April
7, 2021 hearing, a request will be
made to approve the termination of
Respondent, ASHLEY DOREEN
THORSEN's Parental Rights. The
Court has reserved two (2) hours for
this hearing. You may object to this
action by filing a written objection
with the Clerk of the Circuit Court
whose address is Clerk of the Circuit
Court, Room 1049, 825 North Orange
Avenue, Green Cove Springs, Florida
32043, or by appearing at the
Hearing.

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

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

UNDER SECTION 63.089, FLORIDA
STATUTES, FAILURE TO APPEAR
AT THE HEARING OR TO FILE A
WRITTEN RESPONSE TO THIS
NOTICE CONSTITUTES GROUNDS
UPON WHICH THE COURT SHALL
END ANY PARENTAL RIGHTS
YOU MAY HAVE REGARDING THE
MINOR CHILD.

Dated: February 3, 2021

(seal)
Tara S. Green
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
By: Rebecca Crews
Deputy Clerk

Legal 47347 published Feb 11, Feb 18,
Feb 25 and March 4, 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 of:

Nana's Attic

Located at 1478 Wild Iris Ln in the
County of CLAY, in the City of
Fleming Island, Florida 32003
intends to register the said name
with the Division of Corporations of
the Florida Department of State,
Tallahassee, Florida.

Dated at Fleming Island, Florida on
the 12th day of February, 2021.

Owner's name/corporation:
Barbara McCabe
Legal 47399 published February 18,
2021 in Clay County's Clay Today
newspaper

PUBLIC SALE

FIRST COAST TOWING gives Notice
of Lien and intent to sell these
vehicles on 03/04/2021 10:00 am at
2905 BLANDING BLVD
MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068-6349,
pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the
Florida Statutes. FIRST COAST
TOWING reserves the right to accept
or reject any and/or all bids.

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Legal 47276 publish Feb 18, 2021 in
Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

Bid Notices

REQUEST FOR
BID NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
sealed Bids will be received until
4:00pm, Monday, March 29, 2021 at
the Clay County Administration
Building, Fourth Floor, Purchasing
Department, 477 Houston Street,
Green Cove Springs, Florida, for the
following:

**BID NO. 20/21-24, CONTINUOUS
ASPHALT RESURFACING, PAVING
AND SUPPLIES**

Bids will be opened at 9:00am, or as
soon thereafter, on Tuesday, March
30, 2021 at the Clay County
Administration Building, Conference
Room "B", 4th floor, 477 Houston St,
Green Cove Springs, Florida. Bids
will not be valid unless received by
the qualification deadline.
The opened Bids will be read aloud
and preserved in the custody of the
Purchasing Department for later
examination for conformance to all
bid requirements.

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

Interested vendors are advised that
the Clay County Board of County
Commissioners has a local
preference policy. The complete
policy can be viewed at: [www.clayco
untygov.com/government/purchasing](http://www.clayco
untygov.com/government/purchasing)
During the Request for Bid Period,
from publication of the notice of a
Request for Bids to the making of a
Bid Decision, and during any related
Protest Period, Bidders are
prohibited from contacting, by any
means, whether orally,
telephonically, electronically or in
writing, any member of the Board,
any County Employee, including the
County Manager, the County
Attorney, or the Commission Auditor,
any member of the designated
Evaluation Committee or any agent
of the County regarding the Request
for Bids in any respect, with the
exception of (i) inquiries may be
submitted to the Purchasing
Department or other County
Employees or agents if specifically
provided in the Request for Bids (ii)
pre-Bid conferences provided for in
the request package; and (iii) formal
presentations by Bidders to the
designated Evaluation Committee or
to the Board or any committee
thereof specifically contemplated in
the Request for Bids.

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/](https://www.claycou
ntygov.com/government/purchasing/)
[bcc-bid-tabs-current-bids-intent-bids](https://www.claycou
ntygov.com/government/purchasing/)
[-rejection-bids](https://www.claycou
ntygov.com/government/purchasing/) THIS WEBPAGE CAN
ALSO BE ACCESSED FROM THE
HOMEPAGE OF THE COUNTY'S
WEBSITE AT: [www.claycountygov.c
om](http://www.claycountygov.c
om) BY SELECTING PURCHASING
DIVISION FROM THE
DEPARTMENT MENU. 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
REQUEST, WILL RESULT IN
REJECTION OF THE BID AND
SHALL, AS WELL AS THE
FAILURE TO FILE A WRITTEN
NOTICE OF PROTEST AND TO
FILE A WRITTEN PETITION
INITIATING A FORMAL PROTEST
PROCEEDING WITHIN THE TIMES
AND IN THE MANNER
PRESCRIBED IN CHAPTER 8,
SECTION I OF THE COUNTY'S
PURCHASING POLICY SHALL,
CONSTITUTE A WAIVER OF THE
RIGHT TO PROTEST THE BID
REQUEST, ANY ADDENDUM
THERE TO, OR THE BID DECISION,
AS APPLICABLE, AND TO
INITIATE A FORMAL PROTEST
PROCEEDING UNDER THE
PURCHASING POLICY. THE
COUNTY'S PURCHASING POLICY
CAN BE VIEWED AT THE
COUNTY'S WEBSITE BY
FOLLOWING THE APPROPRIATE
LINKS FROM THE HOMEPAGE
ADDRESS SET FORTH ABOVE.
IF A PROSPECTIVE BIDDER IS IN
DOUBT WHETHER THIS REQUEST
REQUIRES A BID BOND, SUCH
PROSPECTIVE BIDDER IS SOLELY
RESPONSIBLE FOR MAKING
APPROPRIATE INQUIRY.
THE BOARD RESERVES THE

Bid Notices

RIGHT TO REJECT ANY AND ALL
BIDS WITHOUT CAUSE AND TO
WAIVE TECHNICAL AND
NON-TECHNICAL OR
NON-MATERIAL DEFECTS IN THE
REQUEST OR SUBMITTAL OF ANY
BIDS.

Legal 47396 published Feb 18, 2021
in Clay County's Clay Today
newspaper.

REQUEST FOR
BID NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
sealed Bids will be received until
4:00pm, Monday, March 22, 2021 at
the Clay County Administration
Building, Fourth Floor, Purchasing
Department, 477 Houston Street,
Green Cove Springs, Florida, for the
following:

**BID NO. 20/21-15,
MOWING FOR VARIOUS
CLAY COUNTY PARKS**

Bids will be opened at 9:00am, or as
soon thereafter, on Tuesday, March
23, 2021 at the Clay County
Administration Building, Conference
Room "B", 4th floor, 477 Houston St,
Green Cove Springs, Florida. Bids
will not be valid unless received by
the qualification deadline.

The opened Bids will be read aloud
and preserved in the custody of the
Purchasing Department for later
examination for conformance to all
bid requirements.

**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.

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

Interested vendors are advised that
the Clay County Board of County
Commissioners has a local
preference policy. The complete
policy can be viewed at: [www.clayco
untygov.com/government/purchasing](http://www.clayco
untygov.com/government/purchasing)
During the Request for Bid Period,
from publication of the notice of a
Request for Bids to the making of a
Bid Decision, and during any related
Protest Period, Bidders are
prohibited from contacting, by any
means, whether orally,
telephonically, electronically or in
writing, any member of the Board,
any County Employee, including the
County Manager, the County
Attorney, or the Commission Auditor,
any member of the designated
Evaluation Committee or any agent
of the County regarding the Request
for Bids in any respect, with the
exception of (i) inquiries may be
submitted to the Purchasing
Department or other County
Employees or agents if specifically
provided in the Request for Bids (ii)
pre-Bid conferences provided for in
the request package; and (iii) formal
presentations by Bidders to the
designated Evaluation Committee or
to the Board or any committee
thereof specifically contemplated in
the Request for Bids.

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
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[bcc-bid-tabs-current-bids-intent-bids](https://www.claycou
ntygov.com/government/purchasing/)
[-rejection-bids](https://www.claycou
ntygov.com/government/purchasing/) THIS WEBPAGE CAN
ALSO BE ACCESSED FROM THE
HOMEPAGE OF THE COUNTY'S
WEBSITE AT: [www.claycountygov.c
om](http://www.claycountygov.c
om) BY SELECTING PURCHASING
DIVISION FROM THE
DEPARTMENT MENU. 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
REQUEST, WILL RESULT IN
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SHALL, AS WELL AS THE
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PROCEEDING WITHIN THE TIMES
AND IN THE MANNER
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SECTION I OF THE COUNTY'S
PURCHASING POLICY SHALL,
CONSTITUTE A WAIVER OF THE
RIGHT TO PROTEST THE BID
REQUEST, ANY ADDENDUM
THERE TO, OR THE BID DECISION,
AS APPLICABLE, AND TO
INITIATE A FORMAL PROTEST
PROCEEDING UNDER THE

Bid Notices

PURCHASING POLICY. THE
COUNTY'S PURCHASING POLICY
CAN BE VIEWED AT THE
COUNTY'S WEBSITE BY
FOLLOWING THE APPROPRIATE
LINKS FROM THE HOMEPAGE
ADDRESS SET FORTH ABOVE.

IF A PROSPECTIVE BIDDER IS IN
DOUBT WHETHER THIS REQUEST
REQUIRES A BID BOND, SUCH
PROSPECTIVE BIDDER IS SOLELY
RESPONSIBLE FOR MAKING
APPROPRIATE INQUIRY.

THE BOARD RESERVES THE
RIGHT TO REJECT ANY AND ALL
BIDS WITHOUT CAUSE AND TO
WAIVE TECHNICAL AND
NON-TECHNICAL OR
NON-MATERIAL DEFECTS IN THE
REQUEST OR SUBMITTAL OF ANY
BIDS.

Legal 47394 published Feb 18, 2021
in Clay County's Clay Today
newspaper.

REQUEST FOR
BID NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
sealed Bids will be received until
4:00pm, Monday, March 22, 2021 at
the Clay County Administration
Building, Fourth Floor, Purchasing
Department, 477 Houston Street,
Green Cove Springs, Florida, for the
following:

**BID NO. 20/21-33, REPLACEMENT
OF METAL ROOF AND
INSTALLATION OF STORM
SHUTTERS AT THE ORANGE
PARK SHERIFF SUBSTATION**

Bids will be opened at 9:00am, or as
soon thereafter, on Tuesday, March
23, 2021 at the Clay County
Administration Building, Conference
Room "B", 4th floor, 477 Houston St,
Green Cove Springs, Florida. Bids
will not be valid unless received by
the qualification deadline.

The opened Bids will be read aloud
and preserved in the custody of the
Purchasing Department for later
examination for conformance to all
bid requirements.

A MANDATORY pre-bid meeting has
been scheduled for Monday, March 1,
2021 at 2:30pm at the Clay County
Sheriff's Office Sub-Station, 212
Blanding Blvd, Orange Park, Florida
32073. All prospective bidders are
required to attend the 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.

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

Interested vendors are advised that
the Clay County Board of County
Commissioners has a local
preference policy. The complete
policy can be viewed at: [www.clayco
untygov.com/government/purchasing](http://www.clayco
untygov.com/government/purchasing)
During the Request for Bid Period,
from publication of the notice of a
Request for Bids to the making of a
Bid Decision, and during any related
Protest Period, Bidders are
prohibited from contacting, by any
means, whether orally,
telephonically, electronically or in
writing, any member of the Board,
any County Employee, including the
County Manager, the County
Attorney, or the Commission Auditor,
any member of the designated
Evaluation Committee or any agent
of the County regarding the Request
for Bids in any respect, with the
exception of (i) inquiries may be
submitted to the Purchasing
Department or other County
Employees or agents if specifically
provided in the Request for Bids (ii)
pre-Bid conferences provided for in
the request package; and (iii) formal
presentations by Bidders to the
designated Evaluation Committee or
to the Board or any committee
thereof specifically contemplated in
the Request for Bids.

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/](https://www.claycou
ntygov.com/government/purchasing/)
[bcc-bid-tabs-current-bids-intent-bids](https://www.claycou
ntygov.com/government/purchasing/)
[-rejection-bids](https://www.claycou
ntygov.com/government/purchasing/) THIS WEBPAGE CAN
ALSO BE ACCESSED FROM THE
HOMEPAGE OF THE COUNTY'S
WEBSITE AT: [www.claycountygov.c
om](http://www.claycountygov.c
om) BY SELECTING PURCHASING
DIVISION FROM THE
DEPARTMENT MENU. NO OTHER
NOTICE WILL BE POSTED.

PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS ARE
NOTIFIED THAT THE FAILURE TO
INCLUDE WITHIN THE SEALED
BID ENVELOPE A PROPER BID

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BOND OR OTHER SECURITY
APPROVED UNDER THE
COUNTY'S PURCHASING POLICY,
IF REQUIRED FOR THIS
REQUEST, WILL RESULT IN
REJECTION OF THE BID AND
SHALL, AS WELL AS THE
FAILURE TO FILE A WRITTEN
NOTICE OF PROTEST AND TO
FILE A WRITTEN PETITION
INITIATING A FORMAL PROTEST
PROCEEDING WITHIN THE TIMES
AND IN THE MANNER
PRESCRIBED IN CHAPTER 8,
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REQUEST OR SUBMITTAL OF ANY
BIDS.

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newspaper.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS
(Invitation to Bid)

Sealed bids will be received by the
Clay County District Schools until:
**2:00 PM on Wednesday,
March 17, 2021**

In the Purchasing Conference Room,
800 Center Street,
Green Cove Springs, FL 32043

At which time and place all bids
received will be publicly opened and
read aloud for furnishing all labor
and materials for the construction of:

**Middleburg High School -
Restroom Renovations
CCDS Project No. C-8-20/21**

All work shall be done according to
the plans and specifications
prepared by:

**Bhide & Hall Architects, P.A.
1329 Kingsley Ave., Suite C
Orange Park, FL 32073**

Email all questions to [DSshively
@bhide-hall.com](mailto:DSshively
@bhide-hall.com) Include project
number in subject line

Plans are on file and open to
inspection at the office of the
Architect. CD'S are available for
purchase from the Architect at cost
(limited supply, please call-in
advance to order). Printed sets of the
plans are also on file for purchase at
cost in the following Plans Room:

**LDI Reprinting Center
550 Wells Road, Suite 100
Orange Park, FL 32073**

Tel: 904/579-4027 Fax: 904/579-4154
orangepark@ldireprinting.com

Prime bidders, who will be
submitting a bid to the owner, are
required to register with the
Architect their intention to bid and
as a plan holder. Any addenda will
be sent automatically (electronically)
to the known plan holders ONLY.
Alternative delivery methods may be
arranged with the Architect.

Partial sets of drawings and/or
specifications are not advised and
neither the Architect nor owner will
be responsible for partial
information given to subcontractors
by general contractors.

**There will be a MANDATORY
Pre-bid Meeting at the site on Friday,
March 5, 2021 @ 10:00 AM per
Section 002113, Part 9.2. Bidders not
attending the pre-bid meeting will
not be permitted to submit a bid.**

Only Contractors having been
pre-qualified by the School District
of Clay County are eligible to submit
bids for this project. **Only
pre-qualified Contractors should
submit bids** for this project (Florida
Statutes).

Florida Statutes require that all
contractual personnel who are
permitted access on school grounds
when students are present must meet
Level 2 screening requirements as
described in S1012.32, Florida
Statutes.

DISCRIMINATION: An entity or
affiliate who has been placed on the
discriminatory vendor list may not
submit a bid on a contract to provide
goods or services to a public entity,
may not submit a bid on a contract
with a public entity for the

construction or repair of a public
building or public work, may not
submit bids on leases of real
property to public entity, may not
award or perform work as a
contractor, supplier, subcontractor,
or consultant under contract with
any public entity, and may not
transact business with any public
entity.

The Owner reserves the right to
waive any irregularities and minor
technicalities or to reject any and all
bids. Each bidder must deposit with
his bid, a Bid Bond or Cashier's
Check in the amount of five percent
(5%) of the Base Bid price, payable to
the Owner.

**The successful bidder will be
required to provide a Performance,
Labor, and Material Bond in the
amount of 100% of the accepted Bid
amount.**

No bidder may withdraw his bid
within (60) days after the actual date
of the opening thereof.

Any actual or prospective bidder
who disputes the reasonableness or
competitiveness of the terms and
conditions of the Invitation To Bid,
Contract Award, or Recommendation
for Contract Award, shall file a
Notice of Protest with the
Superintendent of Schools within 72
hours of receipt of the bid
solicitation, posting of the bid
tabulations, or posting of the bid
award, and must file a formal written
protest within ten (10) days following
the filing of the Notice to Protest.
Failure to observe such timelines
will constitute a waiver of
proceedings and of right to protest as
stipulated in Chapter 120 of the
Florida Statutes. The School Board
requires a protestor to post bond in
accordance with Florida Statutes,
Section 255.0516 F.S.

Bond Requirement:
Should a contractor wish to protest
the bid recommendation, the
protestor shall be required to post a
bond as follows:

1. Five percent (5%) of the
recommended award for all projects
valued less than \$500,000.00; and
2. Twenty-five thousand (\$25,000.00)
for all projects in excess of
\$500,000.00

Conditioned upon payment of all
costs and fees, which may be
adjusted against the protestor in the
Administrative Hearing. If at the
Hearing the School Board prevails, it
may recover all costs and attorney's
fees from the protestor; if the
protestor prevails, the protestor
shall recover from the School Board
all costs and attorney's fees.

Bid Tabulations shall be posted in
the Operations Reception area at 925
Center Street, Green Cove Springs,
FL 32043 after the intended
recommendation is announced on or
about four (4) days after the bid
opening. The Bid Tabulation will
remain posted for a minimum period
of 96 hours.

David Broskie, Superintendent
School District of Clay County
Legal 47351 published Feb 11, Feb 18
and Feb 25, 2021 in Clay County's
Clay Today newspaper

REQUEST FOR
QUALIFICATIONS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
sealed qualifications will be
received until 4:00 p.m., Monday,
March 22, 2021, at the Clay County
Administration Building, fourth
floor, Purchasing Department, 477
Houston Street, Green Cove Springs,
Florida 32043, for the following:

**RFQ NO: 20/21-34, CONTRACTOR
FOR CONSTRUCTION
MANAGEMENT AT RISK (CMAR)
SERVICES FOR THE BONDED
TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM
(BTP) GROUP #2 PROJECTS**

Qualifications will be opened at 9:00
A.M., or as soon thereafter as
possible, on Tuesday, March 23, 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 right to
waive formalities in any bid, to reject
any or all bids with or without cause,
including the lack of availability of
adequate funds, regulatory agency
requirements, and/or to accept the
bid that, in its judgment, will be in
the best interest of the County of
Clay.

**FOLLOWING THE BID OPENING
AND TABULATION, A "NOTICE OF
INTENT TO AWARD BID" OR A
"NOTICE OF REJECTION OF ALL
BIDS" WILL BE POSTED ON THE**

Bid Notices

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. PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS ARE NOTIFIED THAT THE FAILURE TO INCLUDE WITHIN THE SEALED BID ENVELOPE, A PROPER BID BOND OR OTHER SECURITY APPROVED UNDER THE COUNTY'S PURCHASING POLICY, IF REQUIRED FOR THIS SOLICITATION, OR THE FAILURE TO FILE A WRITTEN PETITION INITIATING A FORMAL PROTEST PROCEEDING WITHIN THE TIMES AND IN THE MANNER PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 8. (N). OF SAID POLICY, SHALL CONSTITUTE A WAIVER OF THE RIGHT TO PROTEST THE BID SOLICITATION, ANY ADDENDUM THERETO, OR THE BID DECISION, AS APPLICABLE, AND TO INITIATE A FORMAL PROTEST PROCEEDING UNDER SAID POLICY. THE COUNTY'S PURCHASING POLICY CAN BE VIEWED AT THE COUNTY'S WEBSITE BY FOLLOWING THE APPROPRIATE LINKS FROM THE HOMEPAGE ADDRESS SET FORTH ABOVE. IF A PROSPECTIVE BIDDER IS IN DOUBT WHETHER THIS SOLICITATION REQUIRES A BID BOND, SUCH PROSPECTIVE BIDDER IS SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR MAKING APPROPRIATE INQUIRY. A person or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for a public entity crime may not submit a bid on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity, may not submit a bid on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work, may not submit bids on leases of real property to a public entity, may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided in Section 287.017, Florida Statutes, for CATEGORY TWO for a period of 36 months from the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list. Legal 47359 published Feb 11 and Feb 18, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper.

Notice of Sale

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION
CASE NO: 2019CA001222
BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, N.A. AS TRUSTEE FOR MORTGAGE ASSETS MANAGEMENT SERIES I TRUST, Plaintiff,
vs
THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVEISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF JAMES M. HARRISON, DECEASED; UNITED STATE OF AMERICA, ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; JAMES A. HARRISON; JOSE A. HARRISON; DORIS K. HARRISON; RAY E. HARRISON A/K/A RAYMOND HARRISON; DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY SUCCESSOR BY

Notice of Sale

MERGER TO BANKERS TRUST COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA, N.A. AS TRUSTEE OF THE VENDEE MORTGAGE TRUST 1996-3, et al.
Defendant(s).
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated February 4, 2021, and entered in 2019CA001222 of the Circuit Court of the FOURTH Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, N.A. AS TRUSTEE FOR MORTGAGE ASSETS MANAGEMENT SERIES I TRUST is the Plaintiff and THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVEISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF JAMES M. HARRISON, DECEASED; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; JAMES A. HARRISON; JOSE A. HARRISON; DORIS K. HARRISON; RAY E. HARRISON A/K/A RAYMOND HARRISON; DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO BANKERS TRUST COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA, N.A. AS TRUSTEE OF THE VENDEE MORTGAGE TRUST 1996-3 are the Defendant(s). Tara S. Green as the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at www.clay.realforeclose.com, at 10:00 AM, on April 5, 2021, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit: **LOT 1, BLOCK 3, OF BELLAIR UNIT NO. 8, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 14, PAGES 61 AND 62, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.** .
Property Address: 1527 ST FRANCIS DR ORANGE PARK, FL 32073
Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim in accordance with Florida Statutes, Section 45.031. Dated this 4th day of February, 2021. (seal)
Tara S. Green
As Clerk of the Court
By: Taylor Tison
As Deputy Clerk
IMPORTANT
AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT. If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator at crntinrp@coj.net or (904) 255-1695 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.
Legal 47353 published Feb 11 and Feb 18, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper 19-358696

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION
CASE NO: 10-2019-CA-001164
NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC D/B/A MR. COOPER, Plaintiff,
vs
THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVEISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF TERRY JOHNSON, DECEASED; GENEVA SOSNA, et al. Defendant(s).
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated February 4, 2021,

Notice of Sale

and entered in 10-2019-CA-001164 of the Circuit Court of the FOURTH Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC D/B/A MR. COOPER is the Plaintiff and THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVEISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF TERRY JOHNSON, DECEASED; GENEVA SOSNA are the Defendant(s). Tara S. Green as the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at www.clay.realforeclose.com, at 10:00 AM, on April 5, 2021, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit: **LOT 14, BLOCK 3, HERITAGE HILLS UNIT FOUR, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 17, PAGES 67, 68, 69, 70, 71 AND 72, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.** .
Property Address: 560 WILLIAM PACA ST ORANGE PARK, FL 32073
Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim in accordance with Florida Statutes, Section 45.031. Dated this 4th day of February, 2021. (seal)
Tara S. Green
As Clerk of the Court
By: Jaimie Pippin
As Deputy Clerk
IMPORTANT
AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT. If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator at crntinrp@coj.net or (904) 255-1695 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.
Legal 47354 published Feb 11 and Feb 18, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper 19-368113

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
Case No: 2018-CA-00557
Division: E
FIRST MORTGAGE STRATEGIES GROUP, INC., a Tennessee corporation Authorized to transact business in Florida, Plaintiff,
vs.
BILLY JO GREENE a/k/a BILLY J. GREENE a/k/a BILLY GREENE, KAREN DENISE SHEETS a/k/a KAREN SHEETS, CHASE BANK USA, NA, FRANK ANDREA, SUMMIT VIEW PROPERTIES, LLC, STATE OF FLORIDA, UNKNOWN TENANT #1 and UNKNOWN TENANT #2, Defendants.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on January 27, 2021 and entered in Case No. 2018-CA-00557 of the Circuit Court of the Fourth Judicial Circuit, in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein First Mortgage Strategies Group, Inc., is the Plaintiff and Billy Joe Greene a/k/a Billy J. Greene a/k/a Billy Greene, Karen Denise Sheets a/k/a Karen Sheets, Chase Bank Usa, NA, Frank Andrea, Summit View Properties, LLC, State of Florida, Unknown Tenant #1 and Unknown Tenant #2, are the Defendants. Tara S. Green, as the Clerk of the Court of the Circuit Court, shall sell the property located in Clay County, Florida, described as: **THE WEST 150 FEET OF THE SOUTH 300 FEET OF NORTH 300 FEET OF THE SOUTH 1650 FEET OF THE EAST 1320 OF WEST 4070**

Notice of Sale

FEET OF SECTION 31, TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 24 EAST, OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA, BEING SHOWN AS LOT 6A ON A SURVEY OF SECTION 31, TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 24 EAST, PROPOSED BY LOUIS H. MCKEE, DATED JUNE 14, 1998. TOGETHER WITH THAT CERTAIN 1997 NOBILITY 28' X 64' MOBILE HOME BEARING IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS: N16452A AND N16452B AFFIXED THERETO.
At public sale, to the highest and best bidder for cash by ELECTRONIC SALE AT: www.Clay.RealForeclosure.com. In accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes, Florida at 10:00 AM, on the 27th day of April, 2021.
Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within sixty (60) days after the sale, Dated this 10 day of February, 2021. (seal)
TARA S. GREEN
As Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: Rebecca Crews
As Deputy Clerk
Legal 47383 published Feb 18 and Feb 25, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 4TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO: 2019-CA-000342
BAYVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC, Plaintiff,
vs.
UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVEISEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF JULIA R. LAMB A/K/A JULIA RUTH LAMB; MINDY EVANS; BAYVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC; MICHELLE KIMM; UNKNOWN TENANT #1 AND UNKNOWN TENANT #2, Defendants.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Final Judgment of Foreclosure date the 4th day of February, 2021, and entered in Case No. 2019-CA-000342, of the Circuit Court of the 4TH Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein BAYVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC, is the Plaintiff and UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVEISEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF JULIA R. LAMB A/K/A JULIA RUTH LAMB; MINDY EVANS; BAYVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC; MICHELLE KIMM; UNKNOWN TENANT #1 AND UNKNOWN TENANT #2 the names being fictitious to account for parties in possession are defendants. The Clerk of this Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash electronically at www.Clay.RealForeclose.com, the Clerk's website for on-line auctions at 10:00 AM on the 22nd day of March, 2021 the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit: **ALL THAT CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND IN, CLAY COUNTY, STATE OF FL, AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN OR BOOK 2350 PAGE 1689 ID#35-05-24-006700-028-000, BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS LOT 2, BLOCK 210 BLACK CREEK PARK UNIT TWO, FILED IN PLAT BOOK 11 AT PAGES 34-49**
Property Address: 4535 CHIPMUNK ROAD, MIDDLEBURG, FL 32068
ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM BEFORE THE CLERK REPORTS THE SURPLUS AS UNCLAIMED.

Notice of Sale


If you are a person with a disability who needs an accommodation in order to access court facilities or participate in a court proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. To request such an accommodation, please contact Court Administration at least 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; by using one of the following methods: Phone - (904) 630-2564; Fax - (904) 630-1146; TTD/TTY - (800) 955-8770 (Florida Relay Service). E-Mail - crntinrp@coj.net.
Dated this 30th day of November, 2020. (seal)
TARA S. GREEN
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: Taylor Tison
Deputy Clerk
Legal 47361 published Feb 11 and Feb 18, 2021 in Clay County's Clay Today newspaper. 19-03096-F

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION
Case No. 102019CA001224CAAXXX
Fifth Third Bank National Association, Plaintiff,
vs.
Mohammad A. Mughal; Zabeeda Mughal a/k/a Z. Mughal; Fifth Third Bank (Central Florida); Oakleaf Plantation West Property Owners Association, Inc. a/k/a Oakleaf Plantation West Property Owner's Association, Inc., Defendants.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment, entered in Case No. 102019CA001224CAAXXX of the Circuit Court of the Fourth Judicial Circuit, in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein Fifth Third Bank National Association is the Plaintiff and Mohammad A. Mughal; Zabeeda Mughal a/k/a Z. Mughal; Fifth Third Bank (Central Florida); Oakleaf Plantation West Property Owners Association, Inc. a/k/a Oakleaf Plantation West Property Owner's Association, Inc. are the Defendants, that I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at www.clay.realforeclose.com, beginning at 10:00AM on April 1, 2021, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit: **LOT 186, WHITFIELD AT OAKLEAF PLANTATION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT RECORDED - IN PLAT BOOK 46, PAGE(S) 58 THROUGH 67, INCLUSIVE, AS RECORDED IN THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.**
Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim before the clerk reports the surplus as unclaimed. Dated this 4th day of February, 2021. (seal)
Tara Green
As Clerk of the Court
By: Taylor Tison
As Deputy Clerk
If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator for the circuit court system at crntinrp@coj.net or (904) 630-2564 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.
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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION
CASE NO. 10-2019-CA-000335
CITIBANK, N.A., AS TRUSTEE FOR CMLTI ASSET TRUST, Plaintiff,
vs.
REGINALD K. BROWN JR., et al., Defendants.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered November 14, 2019 in Civil Case No. 10-2019-CA-000335 of the Circuit Court of the FOURTH Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Green Cove Springs, Florida, wherein CITIBANK, N.A., AS TRUSTEE FOR CMLTI ASSET TRUST is Plaintiff and REGINALD K BROWN JR, et al., are Defendants, the Clerk of Court, TARA S. GREEN, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at www.Clay.RealForeclose.com at 10:00 AM in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes on the 29th day of March 2021, at 10:00 AM on the following described property as set forth in said Summary Final Judgment, to-wit: **LOT 617, TWO CREEKS, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 52, PAGE(S) 62 THROUGH 104, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.**
Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens, must file a claim before the clerk reports the surplus as unclaimed. Dated this 8th day of February, 2021. (seal)
TARA S. GREEN
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
As Clerk of the Court
BY: Rebecca Crews
Deputy Clerk
If you are a person with a disability who needs an accommodation in order to access court facilities or participate in a court proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. To request such an accommodation, please contact Court Administration at least three business days prior to the required service by using one of the following methods: Phone - (904) 630-2564; Fax - (904) 630-1146; TTD/TTY - (800) 955-8770 (Florida Relay Service). E-Mail - crntinrp@coj.net.
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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2019-CA-000636
CITIMORTGAGE, INC., Plaintiff,
vs.
CAROL JANET YOUNG; Defendant(s).
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sale will be made pursuant to an Order or Final Judgment. Final Judgment was awarded on March 31, 2020 in Civil Case No. 2019-CA-000636, of the Circuit Court of the FOURTH Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Florida, wherein, CITIMORTGAGE, INC. is the Plaintiff, and CAROL JANET YOUNG; ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER AND AGAINST THE HEREIN NAMED INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANT(S) WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVEISEES, GRANTEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS, are Defendants.
The Clerk of the Court, Tara S. Green will sell to the highest bidder for cash at www.clay.realforeclose.com



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on March 10, 2021 at 10:00 AM EST the following described real property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:
FOR A POINT OF REFERENCE COMMENCE AT THE SE CORNER OF THE WEST 1/2 OF THE NW 1/4 OF THE SW 1/4 OF THE NE 1/4 OF SECTION 34 TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 25 EAST, AND RUN NORTH 0°29'58" EAST FOR 49.7 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, THENCE CONTINUE NORTH 0° 29' 58" EAST FOR 210 FEET TO A POINT. THENCE TURN AND RUN NORTH 89° 21' 10" WEST FOR 210 FEET TO A POINT. THENCE TURN AND RUN SOUTH 0° 29' 58" WEST FOR 210 FEET TO A POINT. THENCE TURN AND RUN SOUTH 89° 21' 10" EAST 210 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. TOGETHER WITH A NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT FOR INGRESS, EGRESS, AND UTILITIES ON THE NORTH 25 FEET OF THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY IN CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA:
FOR A POINT OF REFERENCE COMMENCE AT THE SE CORNER OF THE WEST 1/2 OF THE NW 1/4 OF THE SW 1/4 OF THE NE 1/4 OF SECTION 34, TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 25 EAST, AND RUN NORTH 0° 29' 58" EAST FOR 49.7 FEET TO A POINT, THENCE TURN AND RUN NORTH 89° 21' 10" WEST FOR 210 FEET TO A POINT. THENCE TURN AND RUN SOUTH 0° 29' 58" WEST FOR 210 FEET TO A POINT. THENCE TURN AND RUN SOUTH 89° 21' 10" EAST FOR 210 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.
Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim before the clerk reports the surplus as unclaimed.
WITNESS my hand and the seal of the court on February 5, 2021.

(seal)
Tara S Green
CLERK OF THE COURT
Jaimie Pippen
Deputy Clerk

IMPORTANT AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT: If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator for the circuit court system at crtntrp@coj.net or (904) 630-2564 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

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NOTICE OF SALE
IN THE CIRCUIT CIVIL COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY
CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO: 10-2019-CA-001033
Division C

MOVEMENT MORTGAGE, LLC
Plaintiff,
vs.
STEPHANIE JUNEAYN THOMPSON, ANDREW THOMPSON, FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION A/K/A FHFC II, INC., AND UNKNOWN TENANTS/OWNERS.
Defendants.

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Final Judgment of Foreclosure for Plaintiff entered in this cause on January 29, 2020, in the Circuit Court of Clay County, Florida, TARA S. GREEN, Clerk of the Circuit Court, will sell the property situated in Clay County, Florida described as: **LOT 8, BLOCK 13, BELLAIR UNIT 4, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 7, PAGES 12 AND 13 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA** and commonly known as: **430 SIGSBEE RD, ORANGE PARK, FL 32073**; including the building, appurtenances, and fixtures located therein, at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, online at www.clay.realforeclose.com, on June 9, 2021 at 10:00 A.M.
Any persons claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owners as of

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the date of the lis pendens must file a claim before the clerk reports the surplus as unclaimed.
Dated this 10th day of February, 2021.

(seal)
TARA S. GREEN
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: Jaimie Pippin
Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR CLAY COUNTY
GENERAL JURISDICTION
DIVISION

CASE NO. 10-2020-CA-000174
COMPASS BANK,
Plaintiff,
vs.
DONNIE EDWARD SMITH A/K/A DONNIE E. SMITH A/K/A DONALD LEWIS SMITH A/K/A DONNIE LEWIS SMITH A/K/A DONALD E. SMITH, et al.,
Defendants.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure filed February 1, 2021 entered in Civil Case No. 10-2020-CA-000174 of the Circuit Court of the FOURTH Judicial Circuit in and for Clay County, Green Cove Springs, Florida, the Clerk of Court, TARA S. GREEN, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at www.Clay.RealForeclose.com in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes on the 22nd day of March, 2021 at 10:00 AM on the following described property as set forth in said Summary Final Judgment, to-wit:

LOT 19, BLOCK 106, JACKSONVILLE SOUTH, UNIT TWO, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 11, AT PAGES 1 THROUGH 13, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.
TOGETHER WITH THAT CERTAIN 1995 SPRING HILL MOBILE HOME SERIAL NUMBERS GAFLR34A19578SH AND GAFLR34B19578SH.

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens, must file a claim before the clerk reports the surplus as unclaimed.
Dated this 2nd day of February, 2021.

(seal)
TARA S. GREEN
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
As Clerk of the Court
BY: Jaimie Pippin
Deputy Clerk

If you are a person with a disability who needs an accommodation in order to access court facilities or participate in a court proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. To request such an accommodation, please contact Court Administration at least three business days prior to the required service by using one of the following methods: Phone - (904) 630-2564; Fax - (904) 630-1146; TTD/TTY - (800) 955-8770 (Florida Relay Service). E-Mail - crtntrp@coj.net.

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

CASE NO. 2020 CA 000690
VYSTAR CREDIT UNION,
Plaintiff,
vs.
UNKNOWN SPOUSE, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES OF CHARLES BLACKBURN, CAROLYN BOATWRIGHT, DISCOVER BANK, AND UNKNOWN TENANT(S).
Defendants.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, Clerk of Circuit Court, Clay County, Florida, will on March 4, 2021, at 10:00 a.m., online at www.clay.realforeclose.com, offer for sale and sell, to the highest bidder for cash, the property located in Clay County, as follows:
LOT 1, BLOCK 3, OF RIVIERA ESTATES ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 9 PAGES 7, 8 AND 9 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY FLORIDA.
pursuant to the Final Judgment of

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Foreclosure entered on February 4, 2021, in the above-styled cause, pending in said Court.
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 with the Clerk no later than the date the Clerk reports the funds as unclaimed..
Dated February 11, 2021.

(seal)
Tara S. Green
As Clerk of the Court
By: Taylor Tison
As Deputy Clerk

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

CASE NO. 2020-CA-000274
CARRINGTON MORTGAGE SERVICES, LLC,
Plaintiff,
VS.
JAMES A. BALLINGER; et al.,
Defendants.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on February 1, 2021, in the above-captioned action, the following property situated in Clay County, Florida, described as: **LOT 20, ARAVA, UNIT TWO, ACCORDING TO PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 33, PAGE 59, 60, 61 AND 62, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.**
Property Address: 3364 Shelley Drive, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043
Shall be sold by the Clerk of Court, TARA S. GREEN, on the 3rd day of May, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. ON-LINE at www.clay.realforeclose.com, to the highest bidder, for cash, after giving notice as required by section 45.031, 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 surplus as unclaimed. The court, in its discretion, may enlarge the time of the sale. Notice of the changed time of sale shall be published as provided herein.
If you are a person with a disability who needs an accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator at crtntrp@coj.net or (904) 255-1695 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.
WITNESS my hand and seal of this court on February 8, 2021.

(seal)
TARA S. GREEN
Clerk of the Circuit Court
BY: Rebecca Crews
Deputy Clerk

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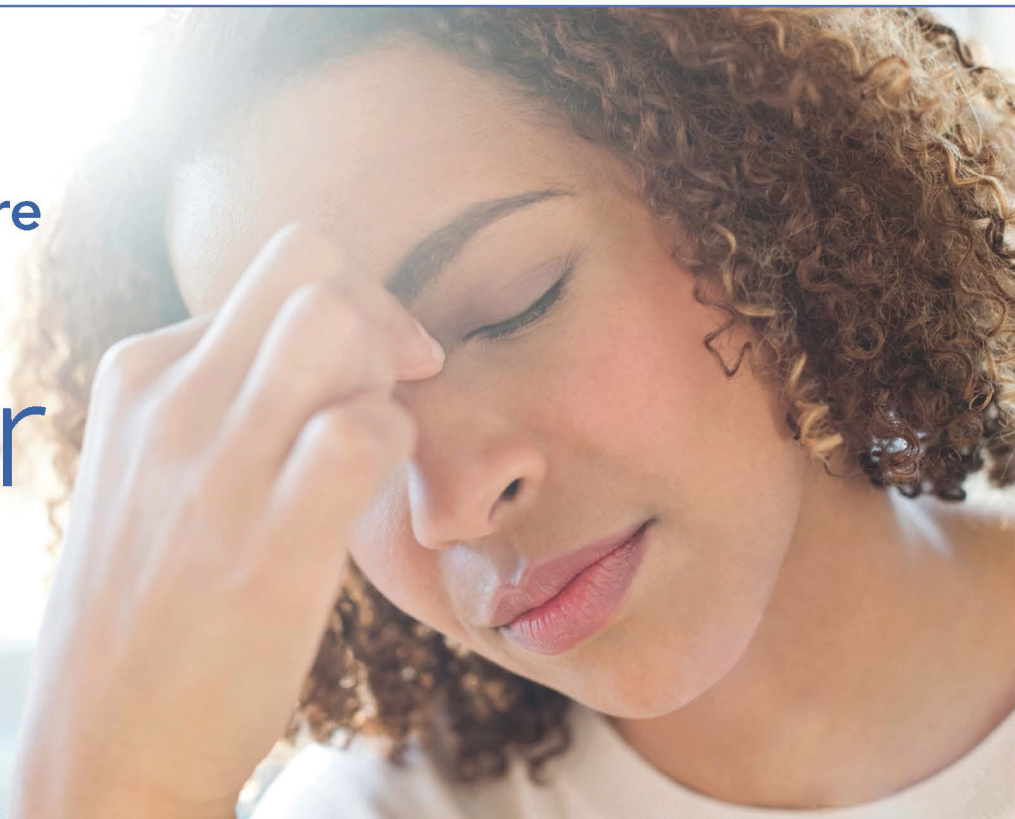
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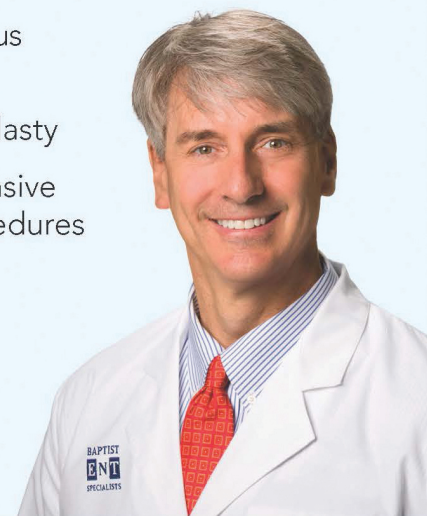
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